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“O that ‘wre possible
After long grief and pain
To find the arm of my true love
Round me once again!”
Lord Alfred
Tennyson 1809-1892

“Come, let us make love deathless,
thou and I.”
Herbert Trench 1865-1923

“Beware you be not swallowed
up in books! An ounce of love is
worth a pound of knowledge.”
John Wesley 1703-1791

“We love being in love,
that’s the truth on’t.”
William Makepeace
Thackery 1811-1863

“Love conquers all things:
let us too give in to Love.”
Virgil 70-19 B.C.

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The Phoenix of NYLS: Interview with Professor Hammond

By Walter Robinson ’95

A tall black law student nervously takes a break from his first year take-home Constitutional Law exam. As he descends the library stairs, pondering strict scrutiny and other matters of great import, a police officer approaches. The officer orders him to stop and place his hands against the wall, then frisks him. Soon thereafter, a white professor passes by, and informs the officer that the detainee is a student at the law school. The officer says, “Well, have you seen any other tall dark males with sunglasses?” When the professor responds to go, without an apology. Meanwhile, the student’s nerves are shot during one of his first law school exams.

The story is a true one, and the subject is New York Law School’s recently tenured professor, Allen S. Hammond IV. The incident occurred when Hammond was a first-year student at the University of Pennsylvania School of Law. Hammond is more than willing to give the students of NYLS an in-depth look at the fates and factors which conjoined to create his success.

Hammond was born in northeast Washington, D.C., into a lower-middle-class family. His parents separated when he was only three-years-old, and divorced when he was seven. Although both his father and stepmother worked, it was often difficult to support the nine children they reared between them.

Hammond grew up in a pretty “tough” section of northeast D.C. Gangs were prevalent and violence was not infrequent. As a teenager, he was stabbed and ended up spending a week in the hospital. He said, “At that point in time most gang members carried knives and chains. There wasn’t the proliferation of gun battles that have occurred over the past decade.”

Hammond attributes his ability to rise above the violence to the strong education he received as a youngster and the strict supervision of his father and grandparents. He attended the integrated Woodrow Wilson High School in Washington, D.C. He fondly recalls some of the “wonderful teachers” who instilled in him a sense of social consciousness. At Woodrow Wilson, he was required to read novels such as Herman Melville’s Benito Cerino and Mark Twain’s Puddinhead Wilson. These years had a substantial impact on his career choices and his ultimate decision to teach.

In college, Hammond was often asked how he made it as far as he had. Usually, the question was a backhanded compliment, but sometimes it was a disguised jibe. His stock response was, “My family believed in education. My mom was valedictorian of her high school class, and both of her brothers attended college and graduate school. My father had two years of college and always emphasized education. He would say, ‘There is no excuse for not doing your best.’”

His work ethic was the primary reason Hammond was so distraught by the 1968 riots in his hometown. He remembers feeling a terrible sense of mindless destruction watching African Americans destroy their own community. Martial law was declared in the community; smoke obscured the Capitol building. During that same period, Hammond was involved with the ROTC college program, but was not drafted for the Vietnam War.

The turbulent sixties were a period when he formed his attitudes about what he should do with his life. He says, “You don’t go through life and not give back; you are responsible to act morally and ethically. The kind of murder and oppression which went on had to be dealt with, but not by ostracizing any one group of people.” He believes in giving back to the local community as well as society as a whole, attributing his sense of morality to his Christian upbringing.

Once this idea was firmly in place, he decided the best way to realize it was to become a politician. In college, Hammond was elected to the Student Senate. He believes he could have been elected President, but chose not to run. According to Hammond, “As usual, I placed my educational goals above the others; it was more important to me to be on the Dean’s List than to be student-body President.”

Hammond is driven by ideals. He fancies himself a Renaissance Man who has learned to use his many talents for society. He understands that he cannot make the same mistakes that others may have made. As a sort of “comeback kid,” individual responsibility is of utmost importance to him. He believes that individuals must take responsibility for the choices they make in life, especially having children. In keeping with this philosophy, he does not believe in government regulations which impinge upon the rights of women to control their own bodies.

This drive to contribute is what drew Hammond to teaching and, eventually, to a professorship here at NYLS. Prior to coming to NYLS, he taught at the University of Maryland, Howard University, and Syracuse University. He has only good things to say about his current employer. In the arena of communication between students and faculty, he believes that NYLS is head-and-shoulders above his alma mater University of Pennsylvania.

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Editor’s Note

Welcome, once again, to the Reporter’s annual Valentine's Issue!

I hope that you received a Valentine from that special person—or that your message was received! The Valentine’s Day issue has gained popularity over the years (along with some infamy). For those Valentines that may not be so flattering, please keep in mind that it is your fellow students who have submitted them. Although they may not be exemplary, the authors have a right to air their thoughts. The editors have exercised greater editorial control over the Valentines at the urging of students and administrators over the years. The Valentine theme is carried through in On the Town’s restaurant review, which gives good hints for romantic dinners, while the Movie Critic’s Corner offers video selections for cuddling on the couch afterwards.

Of special note in this double issue is the Point/Counterpoint (p.19), centering on the debate between Seton Hall University and Richie Parker over the revocation of his basketball scholarship. Moot Court is well-represented by the article on the upcoming Wagner Competition (p.21), the successful John Wilkes Booth mock trial (p.10), and the commentary (p.23). And for those who intend on taking the Bar, see p.26.

On March 4th, we will be hosting a Journalism Workshop. Everyone is welcome to come and learn about newspaper writing, editing, and layout. Further, we encourage contributions from all NYLS members. The next article submission deadline is March 8th. For more information, stop by the Reporter office anytime.

Special thanks to Gloria Aguirre for all her help, especially with tracking down appropriate quotes in the library which grace this month’s cover. Also, the kindness of the NYLS security guards has not gone unappreciated.

Rekha Brahmbhatt, Editor-in-Chief
Sound Off To The Ombudsman

An Ombudsman investigates reported complaints (from students or consumers), reports findings, and helps to achieve equitable settlements. The Reporter's column "Sound Off To The Ombudsman" is presented for entertainment purposes only.

Dear Ombudsman,
Now that the S.B.A. is financing its own moot court teams, will they also be publishing all the articles that the Law Review rejects?

Signed,
Anonymous

Dear Charles W. Froessel and Robert F. Wagner,
The highly prestigious and nationally respected NYLS Law Review should not be rejecting any articles because it is more than a couple of issues behind. When exactly is the last time the Law Review published? Even the Ombudsman is not sure. But then again who would know? It's not often cited, if ever. Maybe they'll publish your article entitled, "The Legal Aspects and Economic Ramifications of Attending a Fourth Rate Law School." Besides, what does S.B.A know about law review articles? Probably as much as it knows about moot court competitions. The S.B.A. has more worthy aspirations for our student activity fees than funding its own law review—like continuing with the traditions of exotic places for both the learning experience and the good tan, see "Om­budsman." 1

Dear Ombudsman,
What ever happened to last year's Ombudsman? Is he or she circulating the halls of NYLS looking for a job?

Signed,
Ombudsman Groupie

Dear Desperately Seeking an Old Ombudsman,
Yes, indeed, last year's Ombudsman is circulating the halls of school. But not looking for a job. After experiencing such great success as the Ombudsman, where pathetic and ignorant persons such as yourself turn to be criticized and where an Exalted Ombudsman could make fun of people while practicing legal writing, last year's Ombudsman decided to use the God-given gift of sarcasm and rudeness to do what comes naturally. Last year's Ombudsman now is a Legal Writing Professor brushing up on legal writing skills while at the same time harassing first year students. What could be better?

Signed,
Ombudsman

Dear Ombudsman,
How come all office supplies mysteriously disappear as soon as they're put out in student organization offices? Is this a plot to drive us crazy? Who steals these supplies and why?

Signed,
Anonymous

Dear Insane-in-the-Membrane,
Whenever I ask for help even though they don't look like Hillary Rodham Clinton?

Signed,
Anonymous

Dear Forgive-0.f.-Father-For­He-Has-Sinned,
My last name is Burlington, not Burger, and I am a third-year student. Why are the students who receive extra time for their exams parents who are doctors or have paid their doctors a substantial sum of money to write notes to the school claiming that they have learning disabilities. The school, trusting and naive, and afraid of a lawsuit, accepts the note and gives the student double-time for exams. These students miraculously overcome their learning disabilities and do quite well, ending up on journal and law review.

Signed,
Anonymous

Dear Newt,
Just because you cannot get a date this week, don't feel bad. Now say you're sorry, go to the SBA party, make fun of our president, and hit on our vice president.

Signed,
Anonymous

Dear Ombudsman,
Why do some students get double-time for their exams?

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Dear Ombudsman,
Why do women at NYLS act so much like Hillary Rodham Clinton?

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The Ombudsman invites all comments, "beefs" or questions for publication in this column. Letters will be selected, published and addressed as the editor sees fit. Send all submissions to the Ombudsman, c/o the New York Law School Reporter, 57 Worth Street, NY, 10013, or drop off your submission at the Reporter office located in the student center — the basement of the "C" building.

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Dear 1995 Law School Graduate:

Due to the positive response to our fall scholarship program, BAR/BRI is again offering scholarships of varying amounts up to $250 each, to be applied toward current BAR/BRI tuition, including any early enrollment discounts. Recognizing the financial hardships that graduating law students face, we are offering these need-based scholarships to aid selected students defray the cost of bar exam preparation.

BAR/BRI Bar Review will award up to $150,000 in scholarships for 1995 law school graduates.

Interested applicants must submit a letter indicating their law school and describing their financial condition as well as any reasons why a scholarship is deserved (amount of loans, commitment to law, etc). The applicant must not have a commitment for full-time employment with a salary of more than $30,000 following graduation from school. The applicant further agrees to renounce the scholarship should he/she receive a commitment for full-time employment by May 15, 1995. You need not be a current BAR/BRI enrollee in order to apply for this scholarship. However, you must be enrolled in BAR/BRI for the scholarship to be applied toward your tuition.

Your letter should be no more than one single-spaced typed page and should be returned to the BAR/BRI New York office - Attention: Scholarship Committee, by February 17, 1995. Students will be notified of their scholarship award by the end of March.

These scholarships are not assignable and will only be honored for the bar exam in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont. Please specify in your letter which state's BAR/BRI bar review course you are planning to take.
Movie Critic’s Corner

By Rhonda Bassat ’95

Being the lawyer-to-be that I am (as all of us are!), I was excited to hear about a new movie exposing how unjust our system of justice was during the time of Alcatraz. Murder in the First, a true story written by Dan Gordon and directed/produced by Marc Rocco, managed to show how horrible life was for the inmates there, but the story got lost in production. Murder in the First is 2 hours, 2 minutes long, rated R, and brought to the screen by Warner Brothers.

Murder in the First begins with a black-and-white clip from Movie News describing the short-lived escape from Alcatraz. One of the inmates and a co-conspirator to the escape tipped the warden off about the escape, which enabled the prison guards to quickly recapture them. Only two of the escapees survived the escapade - the informant and Henri Young (Kevin Bacon). For his efforts, the informant is returned to his cell but Young is put in the “hole.” Young’s original crime that brought him to Alcatraz was to steal $5 from a grocery store in order to feed himself and his young sister. For three years, two months, Young is kept in the hole, aka the dungeon, aka solitary confinement. During this time, he is constantly beaten, is kept devoid of any light or bathroom facilities, and is allowed only one-hour of daylight per year. He is fed through a slot in the door; at times, his bloody body is constantly circling; the actors constantly screaming; the light and dark contrasts were so overdone. The light and dark contrasts were so predictable that they lost their effect. A Few Good Men is better at this film than this film is. Yet I feel need I say more?

Kevin Bacon did an excellent job of portraying Henri Young. His body positions, looks, and cries were extremely well-acted; words were almost superfluous. Yet he breathed life into the man, showing that even such deprivation could not rid him of his spirit or, amazingly, his sense of humor. He just wanted a friend to discuss baseball, which is how Christian Slater fits into his life. Slater has learned how to depict an interviewee (see my review of Interview with the Vampire in the last issue), but doesn’t do anything new here. The audience does feel the tension between his wanting to be an attorney and work for the greater good while his sympathy for Young grows into a sort of friendship. Gary Oldman plays a mean bad guy. He is stoic and unflinching, doling out pain in one instance and then lovingly describing his family the next.

Unfortunately for this movie, the content gets lost at Rocco’s hand. The camera is constantly circling; the actors constantly screaming; the music constantly booming. I left the theatre dizzy and with a headache. Interspersing Movie News clips with the “live” action was interesting, but like most of the special effects, it was undone. The light and dark contrasts were so predictable that they lost their effect. A Few Good Men is better at this film than this film is. Yet I feel that Murder in the First is about a very important topic: America needs people like Stamphill to fight injustice. We need this movie to remind us of that. Which is why I’m giving Murder in the First 3 gavels.

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Enter James Stamphill (Christian Slater), a San Francisco public defender, who is in his first case after graduating from Harvard Law. Stamphill labels this case a “crime against humanity,” and screams that Alcatraz “created the murderer.” On the stand, Young declares, “I was a weapon but I ain’t no murderer. They’re [those who run Alcatraz] the killers.” Eventually, Young is found guilty of involuntary manslaughter and murder. Stamphill labels this case a “crime against humanity,” and screams that Alcatraz “created the murderer.” On the stand, Young declares, “I was a weapon but I ain’t no murderer. They’re [those who run Alcatraz] the killers.” Eventually, Young is found guilty of involuntary manslaughter and murder. The jury petitioned the court to investigate

Alcatraz. As a direct result, the dungeon was closed by the Supreme Court and Glenn was found guilty of mistreatment. Alcatraz officially closed in 1963. Unfortunately, Young committed suicide in the hole while awaiting his appeal. On the wall was written the word “victory.”

Since it’s Valentine’s Day, I decided to give you all a little love tap. Er, recommendations for videos to whittle away the hours on the 14th. Sappy love stories, funny romantic comedies, steamy scenes that make your breath quicken. However, not all of us are fortunate enough to have a honey sitting in the next seat. Or even in the next state! So, I’ve also decided to give equal time to the lovelorn: murderous mates, crazy killers, and action/adventure flicks completely devoid of any gooey, gross stuff. Whether you’re in love or currently in search of, the following videos depict cupid’s arrow striking in the heart - or simply through it!

Top 10 Picks for Lovers

1. Sleepless in Seattle/An Affair to Remember - Meg Ryan and Tom Hanks make even New York City romantic! The film it’s based on, with Deborah Kerr and Gary Grant, is dated but still worth a look (and a tissue!).
2. Casablanca/When Harry Met Sally - Ingrid Bergman and Humphrey Bogart are the classic couple. Meg Ryan and Billy Crystal incorporated them, but added a new dimension.
3. The Ghost and Mrs. Muir - The movie, NOT the series.
4. Ghost - Demi Moore and Patrick Swayze; need I say more?
5. 9 1/2 Weeks/About Last Night - Sex, sex, and more sex!
6. An Officer and a Gentleman/Top Gun - Richard Gere and Debra Winger, Tom Cruise and Kelly McGillis all prove that men in uniform are hard to resist!
7. Like Water for Chocolate - The Mexicans sure have the recipe for love.
9. Gone with the Wind - The greatest romance story of all time.
10. Chances Are - I adore this Cybill Shepherd, Ryan O’Neil, Robert Downey, Jr., and Mary Stuart Masterson film about love reincarnated.

Top 10 Picks for the Loveless

1. Basic Instinct/Fatal Attraction - Michael Douglas, Sharon Stone and an icpock; Michael Douglas, Glenn Close, and a dead rabbit. How does your track record compare to his?
2. The Silence of the Lambs - Imagine your ex
3. Psycho - Send your ex a gift certificate to the Bates Motel.
4. The Omen/Friday the 13th/Halloweene, etc. - Any of these slasher flicks should satisfy even the most bloodthirsty.
5. Highlander - Great action and great soundtrack.
6. Twelve Angry Men - The classic for jury deliberations; probably Johnnie Cochran’s favorite.
7. The Hand that Rocks the Cradle - Does your ex need a babysitter?
8. Die Hard - Bruce Willis kills all the bad guys in really cool ways.
9. Bad Lieutenant - Pray that Harvey Keitel pulls over your ex.
10. Of Simpson mini-series - On daily, free of charge, filled with celebrity lawyers, witnesses, and an athlete/actor/sportscaster defendant.

RATING KEY
[1 gavel] Don’t be home when this movie comes on TV
[2 gavels] Be sure to catch it on HBO
[3 gavels] Definitely rent it
[4 gavels] See it at a matteine or discount movie theater
[5 gavels] Shell out the $8.00 for a first-rate movie

JOURNALISM WORKSHOP

On Saturday, March 4, at 1:30 p.m., the Reporter will host a Journalism Workshop. Anyone interested in writing or editing for the newspaper should sign-up in the Reporter office, Lower Level Student Center. Watch the Counselor for further details!

FEBRUARY 1995
E. David Gouiran '97

Amidst the talk of the new nineties sensitivities, of the vogue of frugality, of the shunning of excesses, sits Le Cirque. Iconoclast. Le Cirque appeared on the scene during those wickedly decadent 1980's, and like the super-rich created during that decade, appears totally unflustered by the chatter of moderation in the nineties. Somehow, over the years, "Lay Circus" has become a feature of pop knowledge, talk of which has been overheard from the movies to the malls, the Spago of Manhattan. For me, Le Cirque exists as a treat to look forward to, a reward for a hard year's (or semester's) work. It's an occasion, like the drinking of a 1929 bottle of Bas Armagnac, to be savored in sips over the course of years.

Commencing at the bar, we ordered our customary kirs from the mature, proper looking man behind the bar and I mentally prepared for three hours of culinary delights. (Surprisingly, for a classically French restaurant, the staff and (the owner) Sirio Maccioni, are largely Italian.) Le Cirque is a large restaurant, bordered on three sides with strings of rectangular tables, benches against the walls, and larger round table filling the center. The hustle and bustle of the restaurant at 9:30 on Friday night is remarkable. Waiters and busboys half jog in what appears to be intricate webs of confusion to the untrained eye. Lost in these distractions, I almost didn't notice all the exotic fresh flowers arranged throughout. The walls are covered in detailed trompe l'oeil paintings of rococo-style scenes with monkeys in the place of people (it's not as strange looking as it sounds).

The talk last year was that star chef Daniel Boulud's exit to open his own restaurant nearby, Restaurant Daniel, would sound the death knell for Le Cirque. But, as Mark Twain was alleged to have written upon hearing of his own death, the reports have been greatly exaggerated. The fact is that the food, now under Sylvan Portay's watchful eye, still shines brightly.

We decided to live dangerously and ordered the five course menu degustation (tasting menu). What this means is that, aside from our brief reference to an aversion to veal and a preference for lobster, we allow the chef to pick our meal from the specials of the day. Our first course was tuna tartare. It consisted of diced sushi-quality raw tuna in a barely perceptible lemony sauce with a small amount of julienened vegetables in a circular, compacted arrangement in the center of the plate. It tasted even better than it sounds.

In a state of culinary ecstasy (the wine had nothing to do with it), the courses appeared one after the other, in a dizzying spiral. A warm lobster salad was followed by the grilled grouper. After the seasonal special of hot foie gras in roasted fig sauce, I was sure that I couldn't eat any more—but still, I made room for rare lamb in sausage shape with mashed potatoes, leeks, and skinned tomatoes. Was there any room left for dessert you ask? You bet! We shared a chocolate mousse with a vanilla and raspberry creme tartare. In a barely perceptible lemony sauce with a small amount of julienned vegetables in a circular, compacted arrangement in the center of the plate. It tasted even better than it sounds.

But, The Coffee Shop was once the downtown chic meeting place that the Tenth Street Lounge is now. The bouncer and ropes are gone from the door, but the food is still great, and the crowd doesn't seem to have deteriorated much. The excellent food is reasonably priced — lobster and Brazilian dishes are the specialties.

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Le Cirque
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Hip, Hot Spots

So, you've finally gotten up the nerve to ask out that guy/gal in your Legal Writing class. Now the question remains, where to go for dinner? In response to this aching need, I've compiled a list of my top five restaurants—ideal for first dates—that also have these popular requirements: good food, in a romantic setting, near NYLS, that won't require the emptying of your wallet(s).

(1) Boom, 152 Spring Street. I've recommended Boom to friends on a number of occasions and it has never failed to please. The food is hip Continental with a spicy, Malaysian flair. The room is dark and the crowd is cool. Watch for frequenters Johnny Depp and Kate Moss.

(2) Raoul's, 180 Prince Street. Ask to sit in the back in their garden room. The food is very French, sometimes extraordinary, but always erratic. Grab some Sevruga and a glass of Champagne at the bar for a perfect start to dinner. Dinner reservations are a good idea, as the place is always crowded. The bar is popular with Wall Streeters who grab a Kronenbourg after a hard day of mastering the universe.

(3) Tenth Street Lounge, 212 E. 10th Street. Situated in a trendy part of the East Village, the Tenth Street Lounge is still the hot spot of the moment. Like the nearby Cafe Tabac, the Tenth Street Lounge is destined to cool down in the latter stages of its evolution. However, right now the place is hopping. Given the late night crush, it's best to eat early and then move to one of the couches for late night drinking.

(4) The Coffee Shop, 29 Union Square West at 16th Street. Walking into The Coffee Shop before the crowd arrives one evening you might think for a moment that the place is actually the diner its name suggests. But, The Coffee Shop was once the downtown chic meeting place that the Tenth Street Lounge is now. The bouncer and ropes are gone from the door, but the food is still great, and the crowd doesn't seem to have deteriorated much. The excellent food is reasonably priced—lobster and Brazilian dishes are the specialties.

(5) Jules, 65 St. Marks Place. However unlikely the location, Jules is a wonderful find. This dark restaurant, located in the basement of the building, serves excellent French bistro food. The atmosphere is laid back, as are the prices. Credit cards aren't accepted and the only beverage served is wine.

Hope you enjoy the recommendations, and good luck on all those dates!
Giraffe Hunter Seeks Gynecologist

Commentary by Joshua D. Brinen '97

Last year I gave my "significant other" two roses. She gave me a stuffed bunny. This year she's giving me a migraine and I gave her the boot. How many times have you heard, "It's the little things that please me?" There are just so many times "Are you mad at me?" can be answered by "Of course not honey." However, if the answer is "Yes!" God help you and your phone bill. I have a motto regarding tough questions: Do not ask them. At 10 p.m. before a Civil Procedure exam, some conversations just do not need to happen. Unfortunately, the "layperson" rarely grasps this difficult concept. Not for lack of intelligence, but for a lack of a clue. Love and the law are funny that way. Actually, love is not funny. In fact, it's even less funny than law.

I am sorry. There is just something about this time of year. I have no idea what that something might be, and I am not sure that I want to find out. Not unless there is a fool-proof cure. And as we all know, no one plays the fool like yours truly. So instead, I have chosen to be bold and say it right up my alley: Go-getter. Optimistic. Neurotic but seeking help. This one ranked up there with "A complete set of marbles."

"What's a nice girl like me doing on a page like this?"

I could not make this stuff up if I tried.

"Paging Dr. Joel Fleischman: Warm witty wise writer seeks intelligent, slightly neurotic fastidious man. Dry humor a must. Whining OK."

Whining OK? I want you to find me on the 14th, I will be at Chumly's drinking some cider and listening to a little Wilson Pickett. Happy Valentine's Day.

P.S. Editors, for you....

I LOVE ALL MANKIND

By Kathleen O. Akeju '95

Sincerely, I love all mankind
And mankind too.
I am deeply grateful to them
For causing many hours of blissful misery
So pardon me if I blow them all to kingdom come!

But I most certainly do love all mankind
And mankind too.
In all their generations; past, present
And future.
I would give them all my gold
In princely sums too.
So I hope you wouldn't judge me too harshly
If I don't want them around me.

But I do love ALL mankind
And ALL mankind too.
immigration laws to reflect that claim. Furthermore, all New York City law students and attorneys should try to help educate immigrants about their legal rights, since we live in such a diverse city. In the end Professor Benson stressed that immigration laws can create prejudice which impact all Americans, not just undocumented immigrants.

In retrospect, some might say that educating people and preventing prejudice sound like unattainable ideals. Perhaps that is true and is why many people do not ever pay much attention to immigration law. However, this is exactly why forums are so important. Forums allow people to listen to the experiences of those who witness injustices and allow people to get involved in major issues. Sometimes in order to get most people to care, they have to be reminded of the injustices that exist in the world. To achieve this, immigration forums are held once a month. The next forum will be held on February 28th at New York University and will cover INS Sting Operations.

For those who missed the NYLS forum, a videotape is available at Student Services.

Vladimir on Rock

By Vladimir Visner '97

Nirvana called it, "The Year Punk Broke." Although the band is no longer with us, the legacy they helped to establish will be with us for some time to come.

Thankfully, the re-emergence of punk has come, invading not only 2 a.m. slots on college radio but also Top Forty videos and M.T.V. Sneaking into the charts under the guise of "Alternative Music," punk bands such as Nirvana, Offspring, Flaming Lips, Bad Religion, Veruca Salt ("Seether") and even the GO-GO's have brought into the forefront music that existed in the shadows. When it comes down to it, anything played over the airwaves enough times will eventually develop its own market. M.T.V. is also very influential in bringing music to the forefront because of its virtual monopoly on music videos.

So why is punk back anyway? And who cares? If you like it, there is no reason to question the wisdom of corporate rock because punk might become crass or passe tomorrow. And listeners will have to once again scour the Village in search of small record stores catering to this underground scene if they want music by Black Flag, Adrenalin O.D., Screaming Weasel, or the Misfits—all of which missed this rebirth in the industry. By the way, Darzig and Henry Rollins, members of some of the aforementioned bands, sold out to the big labels, so listen to their earlier stuff.

Local Scene

Check out a local metal band called Critikill Mass. These guys, who are surely destined for greatness, can really play their instruments in a blend of sounds often reminiscent of King Diamond and Metallica's better days. You can also talk to this friendly bunch of guys after the show and discover which one is also a fellow law student at a rival school.

Critikill Mass appears in clubs all over the area, such as Castle Heights, located on Northern Boulevard in Queens (718-457-6660). This venue is everything a small rock club should be - cool atmosphere, live music weekly, small cover charge, cheap beer, even a spooky mural on the wall behind the stage. But most importantly, it practices a dying tradition in New York: allowing customers to leave the premises and actually re-enter without a hassle. Check it out!

Escrow.

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On January 30, the Stiefel Room became a courtroom, hosting an historical might-have-been—the trial in 1867 of John Wilkes Booth for the murder of President Abraham Lincoln.

Actually, Booth never came to trial. On April 26, 1865, eleven days after he allegedly assassinated Lincoln in Ford’s Theatre in Washington, D.C., federal soldiers cornered Booth in a barn in rural Maryland. As the barn burned around Booth, a deranged Private Boston Corbett mortally wounded him.

What if Booth had survived? What if the government had delayed his prosecution until he recovered, after the Supreme Court decided Ex parte Milligan in 1866, thereby ensuring his trial by a civilian court rather than a military tribunal? What, in sum, if Booth had had his day in court?

In 1994, Robert Ward, NYLS’s audio-visual coordinator, Larry Starkey of the Development Office, and SBA President Dominic Esposito ’95 began to discuss staging a mock trial of Booth. They agreed that this trial would showcase the lawyering abilities of NYLS students, and would be both feasible and fun to attempt. When they invited me to be the trial judge, I could not resist.

In the fall of 1994, the project assembled witnesses, lawyers, and researchers. Each witness had to be prepared as to testimony, demeanor, and even accent. As director and costumier, Susan Duffy of the Admissions Office tactfully and ably shepherded the effort forward. Meanwhile, the prosecution and defense teams began to plan their cases.

At first, the defense proposed to base Booth’s case on the “soldier’s defense.” Booth, they maintained, was a soldier of the Confederacy striking a blow against the commander-in-chief of Union armed forces. Though Booth saw himself that way, the law of nations has rejected for centuries the soldier’s defense in the context of assassinating heads of state. But we had to ensure that the defense had a fighting chance; Booth, after all, had shot Lincoln in all but impossible to guess how the pieces will fit together. Nonetheless, Booth’s trial in 1995 was a remarkable success. The witnesses and the attorneys suspended the audience’s disbelief. Time and again, we felt as if we actually were witnessing what would have been the trial of the (nineteenth) century.

Prosecutors Randolph Iannacone ’90 and Dominic Esposito ’95 insisted that this was a case of simple murder. By contrast, defense attorneys Gardenia Cucci ’94 and James Inguez ’95 sought to convince our first-year student jury of the “modified soldier’s defense.” Each witness captured a different facet of the Civil War era. Millie-Marie Dell ’95 as Clara Harris, Alfred Amadio ’96 as Major Henry Rathbone, and Sonja Fritts ’95 as Mary Todd Lincoln conveyed the horror of the assassination. Preeti Singh ’95 captured the flamboyance of the actress Laura Keene, an eyewitness to Booth’s escape, and Thom O’Hanlon ’95 recreated Booth’s friend and fellow-actor Samuel Knapp Chester, who refused Booth’s efforts to recruit him. Victor Muallem ’95, as Secretary of War Edwin Stanton, truculently resisted the defense’s attempts to establish the “modified soldier’s defense.” Tim Lorah ’96 brought to fussy, pedantic life Louis Weichmann, the government’s central witness in the 1865 military prosecution of Booth’s co-conspirators. Booth’s success with the ladies was reflected by the moving, dramatic testimony of three witnesses — his loyal sister, Asia Booth Clarke (Carlie Draper ’95), his fiancee Lucy Hale (Laurie Mayer ’95), and Annie Surratt (Michelle Goldman ’95).

The trial turned on the issue of credibility between Booth, who took the stand in his own defense, and the admitted Confederate courier John Harrison Surratt (brother of Annie Surratt and son of Mary Surratt, one of the conspirators hanged in 1865). John Belmont ’95 chillingly caught the fire and flair of Booth, and Michael Pagano ’95 was a sardonic, resentful Surratt.

Presiding over the trial of John Wilkes Booth was a challenge. I had to ensure that the trial was the fairest that Booth could receive and that the facts came out to the fullest extent. Unexpectedly, our jury hung between murder in the first degree and manslaughter; I had to sentence him — and to answer his fiery, defiant speech to the court.

The success of the Booth trial amply demonstrates the skills of NYLS students. It also sets a high standard for mock trials and confirms the educational value of such historical simulations. All of us are now exploring the prospect of doing another mock trial in 1996. We are open to suggestions.
It Ain't Just Legal Mumbo-Jumbo

Commentary by
Mohan Sharma '97

Does it really matter whether we use "he" or "she" when we write a legal memo or brief? Is it really so bad when we laugh at a comedian making fun of minorities? Some may say, "Loosen up. You're being too uptight." I say that we, as future lawyers, have a responsibility to watch what language we use, no matter how seemingly inconsequential.

As law students and prospective lawyers, we begin to differentiate between what people watch, what language we use, no matter how hesitation to call "politically incorrect." We learn how important it is to state precisely the message we want conveyed. Inaccuracies, be they inadvertent or blatant, are only one reason why we misperceive the world around us. But more hidden and more disastrous are those everyday occurrences where people subtly, or with heart-felt passion, say something that I have no judge or potential client might construe their seemingly inconsequential.

African American, Indian, or Asian faced with work, or elsewhere, may for gender-neutral language might influence why we misperceive the world around us. But by poking most likely, he justified his stereotypical remarks for gender-neutral language might influence others to have the same disregard? If this is the case, we would be ignoring the lessons of history and returning to a world where men possess the jobs, the money, and the power.

Similarly, when do you draw the line between humor and insult? At the Comic Strip a comedian filled the silence with racial jokes. But not all in the audience were laughing. Some were undoubtedly offended, others were completely unaffected and, quite possibly, thrilled that someone would dare to cross the politically correct line. So when does humor become offensive? For instance, a Jew whose ancestors were murdered in the Holocaust may not find jokes at the expense of others funny. An African American, Indian, or Asian faced with subtle (or not so subtle) prejudices at school, work, or elsewhere, may find such slap-humor to be nothing but a blatant personal attack. Further, the jokester risks offending loved ones and friends close to the targeted group. Perhaps even more disturbing is that these attempts at humor are often repeated, only increasing and strengthening the harmful misconceptions and stereotypes that already exist.

Unlike a person's skin color or ethnicity, one's sexual orientation is rarely evident. Off-the-cuff, casual homophobic comments still have a ripple effect of perpetuating fear, hatred, and discrimination about homosexuality. Recently, I sat in a legal writing class, several male and female members, and lovers who are gay. I wondered if we believed gays lived at bars and clubs and were all dying of AIDS? Or maybe he thought gays were just too sex-crazed to ever attend law school. His comments were all the more shocking coming from someone who is Jewish - a member of a group that has been systematically discriminated against because of its heritage. Most surprising was his complete lack of consideration for those he offended. Did he not realize that were he to make such a comment to a gay-positive judge, client, or senior partner, it would only be to his detriment?

As a first year law student, I am not so arrogant as to call this piece a lesson in language. Instead, I think it is a warning to future and present lawyers to be cautious and considerate in their use of words. Be it a lie, a gender oversight, or a blatant discriminatory remark, the language a lawyer uses creates long-lasting impressions. And inasmuch as lawyers are considered shapers of evolutionary thinking, it is vital that lawyers use their language as a tool to eliminate bias and prejudice in all aspects of their careers. We must never forget that our choice of words influences others as to who we are and what we stand for.

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From: His Pollito
You scramble my eggs to perfection.
You are the air in my souffle.

To: Andy S.
From: Joshy
No oldest brother ever had a better older sister.

To: Andy S.
From: Bill S.
And the poet’s eye in fine frenzy rolling
doth glance from heaven to earth and
from earth to heaven. And as imagination
bodies forth the form of things unknown, the poet’s pen turns them to
shapes and gives to airy nothing, a local
habitation. And a name.

To: Alaina
From: ?
You are the hottest
woman in school. (period).

To: Annette & Alma
From: Betty
To sucia I & sucia II
Happy Valentine’s Day
I hope you do everything I wouldn’t do.

To: Angelique - AKA sucia III
From: Betty
I hope you get your dream man.
Happy Valentine’s Day!

To: Antoinette & Frances
From: The President
What I am going to do about you two.
I can’t make up my mind on which one
I like more. Would you please find a
way to help me!!!

To: Antoinette & Frances
From: Theresa & Ed
Good luck and kick some butt.

To: Antoinette & Frances
From: A certain SBA President
Good luck, I got a lot riding on this one.
You two could be my ticket to glory!

To: Antoinette Segreto
From: Once Rejected
Can we do something now!!!
After 3 years, the flame is still burning.

To: Anturnette (Phonetic) S.
From: A lesser mortal
I know you’re Italian:
The name, the accent, and
the wardrobe - by - Walmart give it
away.

To: Mr. Adler
From: Your cowgirl
I give you one line for one night.

To: Arts-in-Our-Cafeteria Committee
From: Blinders on
I don’t care about the Mona Lisa per se, but
we do have to eat in that room.

To: Elena Ajayi
From: Anonymous
We both know that we want each other, so...

To: John Barcus
From: Ritsa
To the sexiest man on earth – Me polli
agapi. Have a very special day.

To: Belinda
From: J
Roses are reddish, violets are bluish
If it wasn’t for Jesus, you would be Jewish

To: Beef
From: Yet another 3L
If you had a Personality, I would wish you
a happy Valentine’s Day.

To: Betty & Annette
From: Just a Member
You don’t know the “Pleasures”
you’re missing by passing us up.
So, whaddya say?

To: Betty, Annette, Alma, & Joanna
From: A.M.
Valentineless means having many admirers
who are afraid to approach you.

To: Bill
From: A secret admirer
If I get my hands on you, you don’t stand a
chance.

To: Bill
From: 4% of the Bucknell Population
We don’t care if you do not like us.

To: Bill
From: 4% of the Bucknell Population
We still don’t care if you don’t like us.

To: Billy B.
From: 3R
You’re a “halva” guy!

To: Bosco Boy
From: (?)
You are sweeter than Mona Lisa
Mississippi Mud Pie.

To: Bowers
From: Hardwick
You want to put what, where?

To: Josh Brinen
From: Your Fearless Leader
Please call your home planet,
we haven’t heard from you in months.

To: Bryan K.
From: Who else?
Roses are red,
Violets are blue,
Whenever I see you,
My insides feel like goo.

To: The Bursar’s Office
From: The Irate
You screwed me good.
You screwed me hard.
Next time be gentle.
Please use some lard.

To: Civil Law Clinicians
From: NOT est, Forum, or Lifespring
This is law school, not group therapy.
Try a weekend encounter group instead.

To: Craig D.
From: People Magazine
Sorry, but we made a mistake.
Brad Pitt has nothing on you!

To: Carlos “Prof.” Cuevas
From: A Current UCC Student
You actually live up to all the good word-
of-mouth. Good luck with the tenure thing!

To: The Cuban Republican
From: The Democratic Boricua
Why don’t we cross party-lines.
You bring the bow-tie and I’ll bring the
thigh-hights.

To: Prof. Cuevas
From: A Student
Oh how I love your condescending
tone and your sardonic wit.

To: Dave
From: Eternally Yours
Mei tuse mi bot prem kertee ho. Without
you, I wouldn’t be me. I would have never
made it this far without your support and
patience.

To: Dave
From: RLB
Thanks for the ride(s).

To: Dave
From: RMR
When can we go all the way . . . to Brook-
ly?

To: Debbie
From: Fletcher Abramson
Would you like to have......coffee?
To: Debbie
From: Sidney Carton
'Tis a far far better thing I do than I have ever done before; 'tis a far far better place I go to than I have ever gone.

To: "Farmer in the" Dell
From: People with Touch
Do the twins lay down when you do?

To: The other Dominican (L.C.)
From: Trio al LaLSA
Happy Valentine's Day. You have blessed us with your presence again.

To: dmh
From: Moi
love you Dummy.

To: Daddy
From: Harry & Runt Baby
We love you. Happy V-day. Hope you got mommy something nice.

To: Penny Diamantis
From: Shaft
You should really show more flesh.

To: Diane
From: Gentle & Kind
Did you invent your last name to match your temperament, or were you just lucky that way?

To: Luis Diaz
From: Alma, Betty, Anette
We are all impressed by your performance (in office that is).

To: Luis Diaz
From: NYLS Women
Dear President, You have done a great job with LaLSA, but not with us. Would you stop thinking about LaLSA and think about us?

To: Luis Diaz
From: Your Executive Bd.
OUH Baby, OUH Baby OUH!!
Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Dom
From: My watch stopped 24 hours - 20 hours. What's the big deal?

To: Dreamy Phil
From: Suzie K
You know, sassy is not nearly as good as sexy. At least I am a real red head. When you get tired of Ms. Clairol, you can find me at Velvet.

To: The E-Bored
From: Lee Harvey Oswald
I didn't do it but I still get the credit for it.

To: Evan
From: Limberhand & Hardwick, P.C.
Why are you always tan? Why are you K-Swiss so white? Why are so weird?

To: Editors
From: The Rugged Yuppie
Please, could you get Joshua to stop using me in his articles. Just because I am a simple beancounter, does not mean that I do not have feelings. Sure the dull humdrum of a boring life with no hope for excitement grates on my nerves. Please. Someone help me. P.S. And could you please lay off the poor kid. Don't you know he's barely holding it together?

To: Eileen "F" Doyle
From: The Indigent and Weary
You call that Financial AID? The next Supreme Court Justice appointed will still be in debt to LawAccess.

To: Edward
From: Theresa
Here's looking at our 3rd Valentine's Day together. I love you!

To: EIC
From: E-Bd.
Sadaam Huessin has nothing on you!

To: Eighth Floor
From: The sub-humans elsewhere
My advice to you: start drinking heavily (trust me, I was pre-med).

To: Not-so-bonny Erdheim
From: People with Ears
Hark! What is that we hear? Is it nails on a blackboard? Stereo feedback? A dentist's drill? Why no, it's Bonnie correcting her professors again. Voice lessons, anyone?

To: EZ
From: TU
Thank you for being there for me during the break from hell. I wouldn't know what I would do without you - probably go crazy or get drunk a lot.

To: Gregory Egleston
From: A.V. 2L Day
Happy VALENTINE'S DAY to the best looking evening student in NYLS.

To: Mr. Fahey
From: A Friend
I like them quick.

To: Leanne Farrell
From: Theo Davis
Glen and I are waiting for you at the Marriot Marquis Room 69. Wear your leather outfit.

To: Leanne Farrell
From: Glenn Kroll
When are we going to the hotel?? You promised!

To: Fatty
From: Alma - Your best friend
Are you making whoopie this Valentine's Day? Love Ya!

To: Sy Feig
From: Entertained Student
This is important: *#&$
To: Sally Harding  
From: Mike W.  
Still comin' at ya!

To: D. Hartung  
From: Pitter-Patter  
You make me feel like 16 y.o. Let's commit statutory rape.

To: Deborah Howard  
From: The Student Body  
Get a job!!

To: Isla  
From: Rick  
Of all the gin joints in all the world, you had to walk into mine.

To: Jimmy "The Unishaven" Iniguez  
From: Prospective Employers  
Think that beard is going to make your resume look any better? Beard or no beard you're not qualified. Happy Valentine's!

To: Jobless Iniguez  
From: Career Services  
Poem: Heard every D.A. in town  
Has turned your butt down,  
But no need for despair,  
There's always work in car repair.

To: Jimmy "Obsessed Pest" Iniguez  
From: Leave me alone  
Isn't the fact that I'm 75 lbs. overweight  
and 40 years older than you enough of a reason for you to stop stalking me. Stop calling my house you pervert. I said "no!"

To: Jim Iniguez  
From: Mona Lisa  
Meet me at the Canal Street Post Office  
I hear they have great art there!

To: J.A.  
From: Platypus  
Luv Ya!

To: Jack the Ripper  
From: Victim #2  
Love is for poets.

To: Jennifer N.  
From: You know who  
Your smile is enchanting.

To: Jessup Team  
From: Mr. Ozoonio  
I love when you adjust your anus when you bust-a-move. Watch out for an impending plume of doom.

To: Jim K.  
From: Your editee  
Why did it look so much easier when you did it?

To: Josh  
From: The Reporter  
Keep on laying me!

To: Julio - The c—hic Monster  
From: Alma  
Happy Valentine's Sweetheart.  
You're the best thing that's happened to me in N.Y. Love Ya!

To: Jimmy  
From: Hillary  
One plus one does not equal 38.

To: Joshua  
From: Bearegard  
Woof! Ruff! Ruff! (Pant-pant-pant)

To: Professor Jonakait  
From: A student  
You're the best evidence around.

To: Joseph & Sam  
From: Maggie  
I love you! Thanks for being my true companion! I couldn't have done this without you. Happy Valentine's Day!

To: Julia  
From?:  
You never know until you try...  
You'll never gain unless you take a chance...

To: The Jury  
From: G.F.  
(Cuts a knife)  
I already sent 2000 invitations for the "I'm Innocent Party!", Hint! Hint!

To: Faith Kahn  
From: Jealous  
Todd is lucky!

To: Ted Kaplan  
From: Secret Admirer - in your Corporations Class: You hunk!

To: Karen M.  
From: Guess who?  
Every step you take, every breath you take, I'll be watching you.

To: Kathleen  
From: Tom  
Let's have lunch.

To: Katina  
From: Ace  
Keep on keeping on!

To: Kelly and Holly  
From: The Bartender Assoc. Of America  
We love you, how about another round?

To: Kim Lang  
From: Secret Admirer  
I'm so glad I took you this semester for Crim. Pro. Investigation. Your warm charm and respect for students is incredible.

To: William LaP.  
From: The Pres. & V-P of the Bun-Watchers Society  
Would you please bequeath your body to us? If not, how about sperm?

To: Prof. LaPiana  
From: The Flat Earth Society  
New Finding: The world is actually as round as your butt.

To: Prof. LaPiana  
From: An awestruck student  
You are just too cool. This school is lucky to have an amazing teacher like yourself work here.

To: Larry  
From: Women in Class of '96  
We're glad you're back - You stod. Be our Valentine!!!

To: Larry aka The Other Hot Dominican  
From: Hot Dominican #1:  
Happy Valentine's Day! I hope your new bow tie brings you lots of luck.

To: Lulu Review  
From: SBA President  
Would you mind sending me the articles you reject? I have an idea.

To: S. Libell  
From: L. Bigger  
Love your new jacket! Jeans, too?

To: LML  
From: PB  
This is something you probably won't see  
But if you do please think of me because all of my thoughts concern you and me.

To: Luis  
From: Some of the Reporter Babes  
Your charm, your wit, the smooth way you talk, your debonair style, your new "doo"—you are manliness epitomized.

To: Luis  
From: A humble pilgrim  
Louis, please. Teach me. Mold me. I am but your student.

To: Luis  
From: The rest of the Reporter Staff  
Stop writing all those Valentine's to yourself. This isn't a popularity contest!!!!!!!!!

To: Merry  
From: An admirer  
Let's get together!

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To: Margo
From: Bubba's & Thisbe's AuntWe finally have a class together again!(And what a view!!!!)

To: Martin
From: PYF
It's that law review thing that makes you my man.

To: Martin
From: Law Review
You are the best, most wonderful, smartest Managing Editor ever (When do we get our free hours?).

To: Mario Mateo
From: Your Secret Admirer
Everytime I see you in class my heart begins to palpitate and my body gets hot. Too bad you're taken; I could show you some things you never knew were against the law.

To: Marna A.
From: A Secret Admirer
You are too beautiful for words.

To: Matty
From: Ratty
Waaaaaw. You are crazy. I wanna have your baby. Ring Ring for that ting ting. Love that little 'tard.'

To: Max
From: Ani
Te Quiero, Te Amo . . . Te Deseo.

To: Jennifer McCool
From: Mentor
You're so sweet, beautiful, warm, and affectionate. (SIGH) THE PERFECT WOMAN!!!
Can you be my Valentine?

To: Laura McGinn and Sonja Fritts
From: Lavender Boy
Hugs and kisses to my favorite twins!

To: T.J. McIlvain
From: Cookie & Chichi
Please spend the night with us again. We loved it last time.

To: Melanie F.
From: J.F.
You are the greatest.

To: Michael B.
From: You know who in Section A
I want you!

To: Miss Dimple
From: Waldorf T. Flywheel
Should he get ten years at Levenworth, or 5 and 10 at Woolworth?

To: My Menteé, Mark
From: Your Mentor
When are you going to do your tutu dance in the basement for me?

To: Monday Night Mike (ex)
From: Lexis Lover
1. Sega! 2. Jack & Coke, please. 3. 2/25 - it's a date. 4. Mikey's going home with that! 5. Bon voyage; we'll all miss you. 6. You know. 7. Westlaw baaaad. 8. big 'uns!!

To: Moot Court
From: Outraged Student
Grow Up!

To: Moot Court
From: The Rest of Us
Wait until you see a REAL courtroom - HA!

To: Mr. Rock-n-Roll President
From: A Secret Admirer (not)
Woe's you please ROCK my world — by doing something for our school — anything?

To: Victor Mualllem
From: Your girl toy
Yeah, if you weren't married I'd have you.

To: Victor Mualllem
From: BRRR
Some may call you obnoxious. Others call you crass. But to me, you shall always be the quintessential 8th Floor ass.

To: My alma mater
From: Your students
Law School sucks as we all know. But this school in particular it does blow. You've ruined my life, and given me strife. My money is gone, and so is my wife.

To: My Bear
From: W. Bear
Happy Valentine's Day. I love you & cherish you. P.S. Let's go back to "Hillshire."

To: Victor M.
From: Section C (and B & A)
You'll really be a terror when you have a degree to back up that mouth of yours.

To: My little boy
From: Your mommie
Grow up!!!! Just kidding — Loving you cute!

To: My Hero
From: Your Fireman Grapple
Can I go for a ride on your engine? P.S. Bring your baby blues.

To: Erin Nadean
From: The feminist disco queen
Best wishes for success, shopping, and many wonderful years with your new husband.

To: NYLS Student Body
From: HASH
The first ten people to find the five related valentines can come to the Reporter office for a big kiss. Happy V-Day!

To: Ann Marie Nespolo
From: Greg
You say that you like to dance in a ballroom and what you like to watch most is a cartoon. Almost every animated film, believe me, I have seen, but you will have to teach me the steps in your dance routine!

To: O.J.
From: Denise
Waiting for you when you get off. Happy Valentine's Day!

To: The Ombudsman
From: Alex Trotman (CEO, Ford Motor Company)
Thanks for the free advertising!

To: O.J.
From: Hertz Car Rental
Ditto!

To: The Ombudsman
From: The Students
Watch your back!

To: Our Treasurer
From: A devoted fan ED!

To: Oz.
From: Glenda the Good Witch
What happens if I sprinkle you with fairy dust?

To: Papito AKA "El Chulo"
From: Mamita AKA "Tochina"
Espero que este en mi vida durante estos anos que estare estudiando y cuando termine para muchos mas.

To: Mrs. Palsgraf
From: Colin Ferguson
Did you see me drop the scales on your head? Are you sure it was me and not some guy named O'Leary?

To: Rosie Perez
From: ???
You are so so hot. I wish you had gone out with me for only one night... and had worn your blue velvet... for only one night.

To: Prof. Peritz
From: Angry
You screwed me up in Contracts I, knew it, and did nothing about it. I'll never forget it.
To: Pinkel
From: S.
Lookin' Good.
Lookin real good!!!

To: Pierson
From: Post
I want my damn fox pelt!

To: Pinhead
From: Your former lemmings
We followed you until we realized that YOU DID NOT DO ANYTHING!

To: My Little Platypus
From: Herb
Things just keep getting better and better. Our love is forever!

To: Pocohontas
From: He Who Will Chase Ambulances
You make the wind blow hard.

To: Pumpkin
From: Gazoober Man
I wanted to give you a special Valentine Elephant shoe.

To: Rake
From: 1L
What better boss could a first year have?

To: Ramirez
From: Russel Nash
In the end, there can be only one.

To: Randy
From: A.M.
Sorry I didn’t save you a seat, but how about your seat on my lap instead.

To: R.B.
From: S.D.
Redeem anytime - champagne, dinner, video, and a stress relieving waterfall.

To: Reggie & Mel
From: Your loveless study partners
Just because we will once again be Valentine-less, we hope that won’t ruin your Damn Valentine’s Day!

To: Registrar & Co.
From: Drop/Add/Drop/Add
You could burn off some of those Big Macs if you actually stood up when a student approaches with a question. Do fries go with that shake?

To: Elanor Reid
From: Take a Guess
U Got the look
I want to know better.

To: The Registrar
From: The Hundreds of students who paid you $25
Just wanted to thank you for making us register for classes a year in advance.

To: Rhonda
From: You know who
Way to go, girlfriend!

To: Rexha
From: Bill S.
Lovers and madmen have such seething brains, such shaping fantasies that apprehend more than cool reason ever comprehend.

To: Renee Rhinestone, DDS
From: People with Taste
Didn’t know all those colors went together. Still don’t.

To: The Reporter
From: Nostalgic
What happened to the days of yester-year when the Reporter had everyone disliking everyone and the editors took no prisoners?

To: The Reporter Layout Crew
From: Your captain
“For spices, for pleasure, for run, or for treasure!”

To: The Reporter Team
From: Layout slave
“Lately, newspaper mentions cheap airfare, I got to fly to St. Somewhere. I’m close to bodily harm!”

To: The Reporter Crew
From: IL
I love my job. I really do.

To: Rhonda & Rexha
From: A pal
I love that vodka that you do so well.

To: Rhonda
From: J
To the Bull Run! To Perkins! Hail Hunt Hall and Rooke Chapel! Bucknellians got to stick together.

To: Rhonda
From: Bill S.
The lover, the madman, and the poet are of imagination all compact. One sees more devils than vast hell can hold. The lover, all as frantic, sees Helen’s beauty in a brow of Egypt

To: Rhonda and Rexha
From: IL
Don’t try to outweird me, I get stranger things than you two in my breakfast cereal ...

To: Robin R.
From: Me
How can I put into words what I could not even understand. What could have been it is not. Anyway, a friend for life is better than a moment of broken dreams. Happy Valentine’s Day.

To: Robin Runstein
From: One of her many Admirers
You could light up the world with your smile - who does your teeth?

To: Robin Runstein
From: John
I wish I was there to show you how special you are to me. All my kisses and all my heart. Be my Valentine!

To: Betty Rodriguez
From: Secret Admirer
Are you as good in bed as you are in the dance floor. You dance very well.

-To:
From: S
If I could make one of your days as bright as you have made so many of mine, you might love me as much as I love you.

To: SBA President
From: Party Goer
Keep your eye on the ball Dom. It’s parties, parties, parties!

To: SBA President
From: Concerned IL
Dear Dom, Is it true you’ve been asked to lead the “Parade of Horribles” at NYLS this year. When is it? I want to bring a camera.

To: Marc S.
From: Astor Place Haircutters
What’s with that Jackie O’ flippy-do?

To: M. Scheibner
From: The Ill-Informed
Why don’t you write for the paper? With your myriad experience (CNN, CIA, Rabbi, Navy Seal, etc.) you’d be a valuable fiction editor.

To: Ann Schofield
From: A love-sick, flaming heart admirer
“Wild-thing, I think I love you…”

To: Your wards
From: Your loveless study partners
We love you! We want to bear your children.

To: Joe Sergi
From: The guys on ILJ
We love you! We want to bear your children!

To: Security Guards
From: Someone you still don’t recognize after 3 years
Do you know how many times I’ve signed in as “Jack T. Ripper” and no one ever checked? (And I’m a girl, to boot.)

To: Dave Seiradzki
From: An Adoring Classmate
Call me please. You know who I am.

To: Superior Administrators
From: Your wards
Thanks for watching out for our best interests. Keep up the good work.

To: Anjali Singhhal
From: Secret Admirer
You have everything I want in a woman. And if that was not enough you came back with a great tan this semester. It’s getting to the point where I can’t control myself.

To: Anjali S.
From: H.H.
This is the most fun I’ve had in law school. Hail the First Amendment!
To: Silvio
From: Section B Groupie
I’d really like to get in personam jurisdiction over you.

To the Sexy Smokers of Section C:
Ode to the cancer stick
From: Sue K
Marlboros, Newport, Cams, and Lights
You bring me happiness which no love could ignite
I light, inhale and breathe you out.
My lungs are the blackest of embers without a doubt
You touch my lips in lieu of a kiss
For my class time without you, I’m plunged into a deep abyss
To hell with love and law, I’ll smoke a Lucky Strike
As Debbie Boone sings, “You light up my life”
Long live cigarettes!

To: Jayne South
From: The Count of Monte Cristo
When in a moment it came to pass,
my mistress waked and straightaway loved an ass!

To: Mike Spataro
From: Shylock
If you prick us, do we not bleed?
If you tickle us, do we not laugh?

To: Scott Stopnik
From: Another guy
Can you guess? I am hot for you too.

To: Professor Strossen
From: Con Law II Student
Can we have a private rendezvous to discuss your book?

To: A Searching Student
From: A Raven-haired beauty
So, where is the Beef anyway? Talk about absentee management...

To: Steve
From: Another guy
Can you guess? I am hot for you too.

To: Dean Wellington
From: A student
Didn’t you star in Repo Man?

To: Dean Wellington
From: A Searching Student
So, where is the Beef anyway? Talk about absentee management...

To: Wuggaworm
From: “No Frookies Here!”
Since it’s Valentine’s Day, I should be given chest all day. Pastrami on rye - with mustard I hope.

To: Yvette
From: Frookies
Watch out I’m going to leave you lots of kisses with red lipstick.

To: Tree
From: Shrub
“I really love your peaches, want to shake your tree.” Steve Miller Band.

To: Vladimir
From: Suzana
Ti si moj naj gladi ljubimac. Volim te za uvijek. P.S. Nek ova skola ide u picku maternu!

To: Wuggaworm
From: Moo-moo
Watch out I’m going to leave you lots of kisses with red lipstick.

To: Dean Harry Wellington
From: A student
I love you and you don’t know it!!!

To: Dean Wellington
From: A Searching Student
So, where is the Beef anyway? Talk about absentee management...

To: Tim W.
From: M.E.
I love you and you don’t know it!!!

To: Tim Weeden
From: A non admirer
Get a life.

To: Will
From: A Raven-haired beauty
“Upside-down and in the dark.”

To: Con Law II Student
From: T.W.
I come not to praise you, but to bury you.

To: Will
From: A Raven-haired beauty
“Upside-down and in the dark.”

To: Sam Yussef
From: The Count of Monte Cristo
I come not to praise you, but to bury you.

To: Yvette C.
From: Guess who?
I want you.

To: Saul Z.
From: Your fans
A scary thought for this day: You’re probably at your physical peak right now.

To: Mr. Zeigler
From: N. Pajoohi
I think you’re hot. Do you date students?
What Does the “S” Stand For in NYLS?

Commentary by Marc Wigder ’97

In the holiday issue of the Reporter, you may have noticed my article on NYLS’s marketing problems and their possible solutions. In this article I’d like to explore the most interesting one. Namely: constructing a building on the vacant lot where the faculty park their horseless carriages.

So, like a good investigative reporter does, I did some investigating and came across some very interesting information. But first, some concrete logic. NYLS owns this fabulous piece of property in Manhattan, a.k.a. where all the big buildings are. The question: “Why does NYLS own a parking lot in the middle of NYC? This is prime real estate!” The whopping 12 student spots certainly can’t justify the use of such valuable land!

If we put a building on this lot, it could have some ergonomic law school features like…a real bookstore, not a closet. It should have somewhere to hold Moot Court, beside the next-to-useless Moot Court room. It should have serious student organization offices, instead of having serious student organization desks. It should have a decent copy room, with…a decent copier. Do you know what collating is? Neither do the copiers in our library.

But one of the main things this building should have is law firms! Do you know what a law firm is? Neither do half our graduates that didn’t get jobs last year. If we put law firms in this building, in exchange for the free library facilities they would gladly enjoy, they would have to hire NYLS graduates, students, and interns. Students will be given much-needed opportunities while, at the same time, NYLS’s profit, reputation, and statistics will get a boost.

You say NYLS has a lack of housing! Ha! I laugh at you! We could make the top five or ten floors of this building NYLS student residences…The problem is solved!

You say NYLS has a lack of housing! Ha! I laugh at you! We could make the top five or ten floors of this building NYLS student residences. Boom! The problem is solved!

Have you found out what the “S” stands for yet? Well, I’ll tell you!

It stands for SKYSCRAPER! The New York Law SkyScraper. It should be a crime to let that land be a parking lot when it can scrape the skies.

Think about what it would do for NYLS’s prestige, future, faculty, alumni, family, etc. The possibilities are endless. However, there is always a catch - as I have recently found out in Criminal Law when I learned we had to make up the three classes we missed via double sessions. Can you say "OUCH"? Neither can I after I jump out of the 49th floor of the NYLS SKYSCRAPER.

The catch is that I talked to two professors who told me that the idea I came up with was explored thoroughly in the early 80’s. Over a million dollars was spent on a plan. They had actual law firms ready to move in! But, it didn’t work out! I was told that the bids we received were completely unreasonable and many people were simply opposed to the idea. Instead, we completely renovated the buildings we use today, and then we bought the library and renovated that, too. Which would you rather have: three loft buildings that are supposed to be thread factories or a building that was built to be a law school?

Although the idea was explored in the past, I suggest we do it again, now. It’s over 10 years later. Real estate prices have actually fallen and so have interest rates. Yes, we don’t have to worry about a 13% rate like in Clemson: Clarkson’s time. Also, under no circumstances will there be “Vermont Number One Granite” on this building. It’s a shame that one class has completely changed my view on the usefulness of rock and its staining power. Let’s stick to glass or even mud. Anyway, with the drop in prices, rates, and the rise of NYLS’s equity, we might be able to get a good deal on a good building. As you probably know, now is the prime time to develop in Manhattan. Why shouldn’t we do it?

Yet, what I feel is more important is what this can do for the school’s reputation, etc. It will be out of NYU’s shadow because it will be able to cast a shadow on NYU. It will be known to people outside the legal world and hope-

A Student Dies a Slow Death

Commentary by Kimberly Auerbach ’97

I write this article not for revenge. Truly, I am not a vengeful person. To convince you of this you would have to read the story. Instead, I write this article to inspire all the students out there who have gone through what I have gone through… "Well, you know, I am part of the law school experience.

What am I talking about? The total and complete crucifixion of a first-year law student, of course. Cruifixion, not in the biblical sense, but as the dictionary defines it: “to torture, to mortify.”

A friend of mine best described my ordeal when he said, “Every time you tried to get up you were kicked back down.” Yes, I was crucified. Clearly, this is not a word that you will find in any law school brochure — excellent faculty, beautiful facilities, and crucifixion of students. No, that would not invite many applications.

For me it happened in my Constitutional Law class. All I can say is you know it's going to be bad when the teacher reads a quote by Oliver W Holmes from the text book, glasses down at the attendance sheet, and says, "M a r b y, can you explain what that quote meant?" and you were not even listening. It can only get worse when, red-faced, you timidly ask the professor to repeat the quote, hoping he will take pity on you. Instead he throws the first punch (deservedly so) and says, "I could repeat the quote, or you could turn to footnote 10 and read it yourself." Nobody told me we were supposed to read the footnotes!

I turn. I read. Nothing registers. In no way could I repeat the quote, or you could turn to footnote 10 and read it yourself. Nobody told me we were supposed to read the footnotes!

"Crucifixion, not in the biblical sense, but as the dictionary defines it: 'to torture, to mortify.'"

Then he throws a softball. "Which of the two cases that we just reviewed is Holmes referring to in the quote?" O.K., I had a 50 percent chance with this one. I felt like it was the World Series, ninth inning. I could either bring home the winning run or strike out and end the game. My friends are trying to whisper to me the name of the case and point to their notes, but all I heard was silence. After what seemed like an eternity, I squawked out, "Marbury?" Wrong. again. The room groaned. After a brief explanation by some student, who probably planned ahead and took a Constitutional Law class in college, the

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Numerous articles have been written regarding Seton Hall’s decision to revoke an athletic scholarship offer to Richie Parker, a star senior basketball player at Manhattan Center High. Unfortunately, the known facts are few and what is known is in dispute. The facts to which both Seton Hall and Mr. Parker agree are as follows: Mr. Parker was charged with first-degree sodomy after a freshman girl at Manhattan Center High claimed he forced her down a school stairwell leading to the basement, and forced her to perform oral sex on him. Mr. Parker pleaded guilty to a reduced charge of first-degree sexual abuse. Rightly so, Seton Hall University, which had offered Mr. Parker a scholarship to play basketball prior to this felony conviction, decided to revoke the scholarship offer in the best interests of both the University and Mr. Parker.

Mr. Parker claims that Seton Hall was aware that he would plead guilty to a felony and that the University informed him that it would not revoke its scholarship offer. Those opposed to Seton Hall’s action argue the contract law principle of promissory estoppel. However, Seton Hall’s chancellor unequivocally denies any such promise and stated that when Mr. Parker was recruited he had not pleaded guilty to any crime, thus “He [Mr. Parker] maintained his right to be judged innocent only to have this situation changed.” As theoretically interesting as the contractual argument may be, I will not address it in this commentary because I will not be relegated to defending Seton Hall’s actions based upon unproven speculations. In light of the seriousness of Mr. Parker’s actions coupled with the obligations Seton Hall has to those other than Mr. Parker, the University’s action deserves more than mere superficial legal analysis.

Seton Hall has dual obligations. Its first obligation is to the institution, the alumni, and the student body. Seton Hall owes a duty to all three to ensure that the common good and integrity of the University are maintained at all times. One way Seton Hall can help maintain the University’s integrity and protect its students is by admitting only those students who do not pose a danger to the student body, and have demonstrated values consistent with those of the University. Whether those convicted of felonies are automatically excludable, or if exclusion is determined on a case-by-case basis whereby each conviction is to be considered in light of the circumstances (as I believe it should be), exclusion or revocation of scholarships is to be effected with the common good and integrity of the institution, the alumni, and the student body in mind.

“Seton Hall has fulfilled its obligation to, and demonstrated genuine concern for, its institution, alumni, student body, and Mr. Parker.”

Seton Hall’s second obligation is to the scholarship recipient. The University has a moral duty not to use the athlete as a source of income to the detriment of his educational goals and personal growth. In the best interests of the recipient, Seton Hall must award scholarships only to those athletes with the requisite maturity to take advantage of the opportunity to earn a college degree, who along the way, will engage in a process of self-discovery. Seton Hall may well have evaluated Mr. Parker’s situation in light of his guilty plea and concluded that he lacks maturity, and therefore his matriculation could only be detrimental to his educational goals and personal growth. Thus, although painful to Mr. Parker, Seton Hall has fulfilled its obligation to act in his best interests.

Seton Hall has fulfilled its obligation to, and demonstrated genuine concern for, its institution, alumni, student body, and Mr. Parker. The sad social commentary is that the debate has centered around Mr. Parker’s being denied an opportunity to play basketball at Seton Hall rather than the young girl’s stolen innocence and youth as a consequence of his decision to sexually abuse her.
### Fall 1994 SBA Budget

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**FEBRUARY 1995**
40 Law Schools Set to Compete in Wagner Competition

By John B. Belmonte '95

The Nineteenth Annual Robert F. Wagner, Sr., National Labor Law Moot Court Competition will be held at New York Law School from March 16-19. The Wagner Competition (the "Competition") is a national appellate advocacy competition hosted by the New York Law School Moot Court Association. The Competition was established in memory of the late Robert F. Wagner, Sr., a NYLS alumnus whose distinguished career in the United States Congress included an important labor relations perspective. The Competition is the nation's largest non-corporate sponsored, student-run competition, and the only one devoted entirely to labor and employment law.

Third-year students Michelle Goldman and Preeti Singh, advised by Professor Gerald Lebovits, are the co-chairs of this year's Wagner. Their responsibilities include obtaining judges, locating classrooms, grading briefs, and doing everything necessary to make sure that NYLS makes a good impression on the visiting students and members of the legal community.

Sonja D. Fritts and Laura A. McGinn, both third-year students, co-authored this year's fact pattern under the guidance of Professors Arthur Leonard and Carlin Meyer. The fact pattern concerns two issues of first impression involving employment discrimination in a classic labor-law context. The Petitioner, a union-shop machinist, is a recepient of a union's assistance and utilized the existing grievance machinery. However, the union refused to arbitrate his grievance. The Petitioner brought an action in federal court alleging that (1) his employer, the Respondent, violated Title VII by engaging in sex-stereotype discrimination against him and that (2) the union, the co-Respondent, breached its duty to represent him fairly by refusing to arbitrate his grievance. The entire fact pattern is available on Westlaw in the "moot" database.

The forty law schools that will send teams to compete in this year's Competition are Albany, Baltimore, Boston University, Brooklyn, Buffalo, Capital, Cincinnati, Cooley, DePaul, Detroit, Dickinson, Emory, Florida State, Georgetown, George State, Hofstra, John Marshall, Loyola-Chicago, Marquette, University of Memphis, Minnesota, New York University, North Carolina Central, Northeastern, University of Pennsylvania, Pepperdine, University of Pittsburgh, Rutgers-Camden, Rutgers-Newark, St. John's, Southern Methodist University, Stetson, Temple, Tennessee, University of Texas, Wake Forest, Washington University, Widener-Delaware, Widener-Harrisburg, and Willamette.

The final round of the Competition will be held on March 19th. The eight judges who will preside are the following: John N. Raudabaugh, nationally prominent labor lawyer from Chicago and former member of the National Labor Relations Board; Hon. Joseph E. Irenas of the Federal District Court for the District of New Jersey; James M. Stephens, member and former chairman of the NLRL in Washington; Paul Steven Miller, a commissioner of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in Washington, D.C.; NYLS Professor Nadine Strossen, President of the American Civil Liberties Union; Hon. Raymond J. Dearie of the Federal District Court for the Eastern District of New York; Randy Levine, New York City's Commissioner of Labor Relations; and Theodore Sachs, a Detroit lawyer who is among the nation's most recognized union-side labor law attorneys.

Any student interested in participating as a time-keeper during any rounds of the Competition should contact Ms. Goldman or Ms. Singh at the Moot Court office on the eighth floor of the "A" Building. All advanced rounds are open to the public, so everyone should come to watch student advocacy at its best.

In addition to hosting the Wagner Competition, Moot Court is sending sixteen teams of students to compete in outside competitions this semester. This is the largest number of teams that Moot Court has ever sent to competitions in a single semester.

REMINDER

Deadline for article submission for the next issue is March 8th.

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FEBRUARY 1995
Highlights from the Student Bar Association
Meeting of 12/2/94

The meeting began with Michele Drabant, Executive Director from Admissions, speaking about a new program for recruitment, involving a phone-a-thon. Students interested in volunteering should contact Judith Elliot Pugh in Admissions.

Committee Reports: Attorney General Ted VanBuskirk reported that redrafting of the Constitution will begin in the Spring semester, as all the paperwork is locked in a room on the fifth floor of the A building. He also stated that in order to prevent misrepresentations to students, the list of active clubs will be revised to include only those clubs that can demonstrate participation in activities.

Day Vice President Mia Dell reported that the turnout for the final party on 12/1/94 was not as good as expected. A "Spring Fling" will be the major party of the Spring semester.

ABA Representative Diane Gross reported that the IRS will train NYLS students to help others fill out their income taxes. A ski trip is being planned for the last week of February.

President Dominic Esposito reported about the upcoming Judicial Speaker Series and trip to Washington. The trip will be open to 35 students, selected via lottery, and will include meeting with the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, touring the White House, and meeting a high-ranking official of the Clinton Administration.

Evening Vice President Mel Simmons reported that the loan forgiveness committee needs additional help from the SBA and student body.

OLD BUSINESS: The Administration is in favor of placing ash trays in front of the school. The Administration is in favor of providing laser printers for student use, but this may be delayed due to the implementation of a new computer program for the school over the course of the next five years. A pay fax machine will be available for student use in the Lower Student Center. Library hours will be extended to include a 24-hour section, beginning with the next exam period. Any suggestions for revamping the Lower Student Center are welcome.

New Business: Non-Moot Court Participants in moot court competitions: President Esposito would not allow Moot Court members who were not members of the SBA to speak because notice was given 20 hours, instead of 24 hours, prior to the meeting. The situation centers on a Moot Court member and a non-Moot Court member seeking to participate in an outside moot court competition. According to President Esposito, he and Ian Singer, the Chairperson of the Moot Court Association, agreed that no student should be denied the opportunity to compete in these competitions as long as the reputation of Moot Court is not diminished. President Esposito also stated that they further agreed that these competitions are open to all students.

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Office of Career Services’ Upcoming Events

**Upcoming Events & Panels (Dates, times and locations are subject to change. Check with Career Services before all events and panels)**

**February**

February 15, 1995: Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon (1:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

February 21, 1995: Career Services STEP Resource Room Training Workshop (2:00 p.m., Room B400)

February 22, 1995: Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon (1:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

February 22, 1995: Career Services STEP Resource Room Training Workshop (4:00 p.m., Room B500)

February 23, 1995: Career Services STEP Resource Room Training Workshop (5:00 p.m., Room B500)

February 25, 1995: Career Services Gays and Lesbians in the Law Symposium co-sponsored with the NYLS Gay and Lesbian Law Students Association (10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Stieffel Room and Faculty Dining Room)

March 1, 1995: Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon (1:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

March 14, 1995: Career Services Mentor Panel and Reception co-sponsored with Alumni Association (5:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

March 15, 1995: Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon (1:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

March 21, 1995: Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon (1:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

March 29, 1995: Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon (1:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

April 2, 1995: Career Services Brunch for Evening Division Alumni and students co-sponsored with Alumni Affairs Office (12:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

March 8, 1995: Career Services Faculty Career Planning Luncheon (1:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)

March 9, 1995: Career Services Public Interest Reception co-sponsored with Alumni Affairs Office (5:00 p.m., Faculty Dining Room)
SBA Encroaches on Moot Court’s Domain

Commentary by Ron Gregorio ’95

The Student Bar Association has unwisely endorsed a policy of encouraging and financing students to compete in national moot court competitions without the sanction of the New York Law School Moot Court Association (“Moot Court”). Although the competitions are open to all law students, the large majority of law schools have moot court associations that sponsor an intramural competition to objectively determine which students are the most able and dedicated to represent their schools at national competitions.

Moot Court is the most successful and best respected co-curricular organization at NYLS. Unlike the NYLS Law Review, which hasn’t published in a year, Moot Court is active, visible, and nationally recognized as being one of the best. It is the only organization that enhances the reputation of NYLS at a national level. Given NYLS’s mediocre reputation and the difficulty in improving its reputation inside and outside the legal community, does it make sense to risk NYLS’s one notable success by sending untested students of unknown ability to national competitions?

This controversy began when two students requested travel expenses from the SBA to compete in a competition that Moot Court decided not to enter. Moot Court does not have the finances or membership to compete in every competition; no law school competes in every competition. Therefore, a decision has to be made as to which competitions to attend and which students have the best ability to bring honor to the reputation of NYLS. This is the purpose and function of Moot Court.

A few students have argued that the reputation of NYLS will benefit if all NYLS students have the experience of moot court competitions on their resumes. They say that it is only fair that if Moot Court is not sending a team to a national competition, other students should be able to go. In fact, every NYLS student has two opportunities to compete in the Froessel Competition. The Froessel is open to all NYLS students, and through it, each competitor gains valuable writing and advocacy experience while proving his or her abilities in an open competition against other students. Moot Court determines its membership by inviting the Froessel’s thirty-two top scorers to join. Thus, Moot Court’s members have already proven that they have superior skills and will not embarrass NYLS in national competitions.

If the SBA insists on sending nonmembers to national competitions, how will they ensure the quality of the students they’re sending? Moot Court does it openly through the Froessel. What will be the SBA’s criteria when, for example, eight students want to compete in a competition that only allows a team of two? Will the SBA hold their own competition among those eight students? Who will write the fact pattern, administer, and judge the competitions? Moot Court members, in conjunction with practicing attorneys and judges such as the Honorable Pierre N. Leval (of the Second Circuit), the Honorable Raymond J. Dearie (of the Eastern District of New York), and the Honorable George Bundy Smith (of the New York Court of Appeals) judged the Froessel and chose the new members. Will the SBA be able to put together as capable a panel to choose its teams? Or will the SBA, some of whose members competed in the Froessel but did not finish in the top thirty-two, judge for themselves?

Once a team is chosen by the SBA, how will they ensure the quality of the team’s work? Moot Court teams are coached by Executive Board members, many whom have won national competitions. The team continuously makes corrections and recommendations during the four to eight weeks that the team prepares its brief. Once the brief is submitted, the coach sets up practice argument rounds and acts as the judge along with other Moot Court members. This will take up another four to six weeks. Will nonmember teams be as dedicated? Will they be able to find a proven coach and capable students to drill them during practice rounds? If it seems too much work, who will coax the team to keep working? If a Moot Court candidate gives up and submits inferior work, that candidate may not be approved for membership. What will motivate a nonmember team? Granted, some students will work hard on their own, but hard work will not ensure success if they have no experience and have no help from others who’ve previously competed successfully.

When a team competes at a national competition, it competes first and foremost as a representative of NYLS. It is referred to as the “team from NYLS,” not “John Doe and Jane Roe from NYLS.” Moot Court has consistently competed at high levels and thereby heightens the reputation of NYLS. Poor showings by nonmembers at national competitions will erode NYLS’s reputation. At a competition, no one will know or care whether the NYLS team is the Moot Court Association team or the SBA team, but it will only remember how smart or how dumb the NYLS team looked. It’s like replacement baseball, the major leaguers aren’t playing but the scores still count. Is that the kind of uncertainty by which other law schools’ perception of NYLS’s should be influenced? Or maybe to be completely fair, the SBA can choose the team by lottery and the hell with NYLS’s reputation.

Successful Froessel competitors have shown they have the ability and dedication to uphold the honor of NYLS at national competitions. Some students have complained that they would have done well in the Froessel but that they were unable to compete because it wasn’t at a convenient time. The Froessel is held after the summer semester and during the first two weeks of the fall semester, when the workload is lighter. When will it be more convenient for these complainers, during finals? If these students don’t have the dedication to rearrange their schedules or shorten their summer vacation by two weeks to compete in the Froessel, what kind of dedication can we expect from them during national competitions, most of which occur when the semester is in full swing? If their schedules are truly so busy that they can’t compete in the Froessel, I’d bet that their busy schedule will prevent them from devoting the enormous time and energy required to successfully compete in a national competition. Moot Court, through the Froessel, is the only way that students should be chosen to represent NYLS at national competitions.

The writer is a member of both the Student Bar Association and the Moot Court Association.

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New Administrator Sets High Goals for NYLS

By Kimberly Auerbach '97

Higher LSAT and G.P.A. averages, more women, and an increasingly diverse student body is what Michele Drabant sees for New York Law School when she looks into her crystal ball.

Actually there is no crystal ball, just Drabant, who was recently hired as Director of Enrollment Management. Her job is to look into the future, plot a course, and decide not just where the school wants to be next year, but five or ten years down the road.

Right now, NYLS students' average LSAT score is 154, down nearly two points from 1992. The average G.P.A. has remained consistent at about 3.0 for the past several years. The minority population is around 22 percent and men make up about 56 percent. Although Drabant, 38, does not want to predict what the new goals will be until she has completed her market analysis report, she is very optimistic about the future.

The way to increase the numbers, Drabant said, is to expand the applicant pool. The larger the pool, the more choice administrators have when admitting students, she said. Right now the school gets roughly 4,000 applications a year. "We're looking at a lot of creative ways to recruit students aside from the typical 'go to the college fair, hand out brochures, kind of way,'" Drabant said.

To succeed, Drabant has devised a multi-pronged plan of attack. Not only are recruiters taking a different approach toward prospective students, they are also catering to first year students, graduates, potential employers, and law advisors more so than in the past.

The school wants prospective students to know they are not just a name and number, Drabant said. Even when recruiters go to college fairs, they do not just ask for a student's name and address and put them on a mailing list. "We'll also ask your G.P.A., year, major, particular interest in law, so we get a bigger picture of the student and where the interest is coming from," she said. "It's a very pro-active approach."

As a result, the law school, which traditionally has attracted students mainly from the New York/New Jersey area, is now seeing increased applications from California, Texas, and Florida.

By Michelle Barnett '96

The Black Entertainment and Sports Law Association (BESLA) held its 14th Annual Conference in Nassau, Bahamas, November 2 through November 6. For the first time, New York Law School sent a student representative. Over 400 attorneys, law students, songwriters, artists, and other members of the entertainment industry were present. Special guests included the following: Ms. Pierson, Esq., VP, Legal & Business Affairs Warner-Chappell Music; Larry Robinson, Avatar Publishing Group; Patricia Shanahan, My Forte Music Industry Services; Nancy Taylor, Director of Business & Legal Affairs, MCA Music Entertainment Group; Tony Tolbert, Esq., World Cup USA, Inc.; Jeffrey Orridge, Esq., Reebok International Ltd.; Cheryl Woodruff, Random House Publishing/ Ballantine Books; Drew Pearson, CEO of Drew Pearson Companies; Kevin Wright, Esq., Winston & Strawn (Former Senior VP of TLC Beatrice International); Dick Griffey, SOLAR Records; Tonik Mizell, Esq., VP of Business Affairs, Motown Record Company, and many more. Barry Sanders and LA Reid were among the entertainers and athletes present. The seminars covered topics such as music licensing, book publishing, interactive media, and negotiating player contracts.

Nassau presented a wonderful environment for networking with the numerous people in the entertainment and sports industry. Quite surprisingly, no one confused New York Law School with NYU. Several attorneys even asked me how I feel when people confuse the two schools... naturally, I do not mind one bit!

All conference materials have been copied and placed in the Sports and Entertainment Law Society office. All those who are interested should stay tuned for the dates of the mid-year conference which will be held in New York City this year. The 15th Annual Conference will take place in Aruba next November.

BELSA in the Bahamas
Law Review

publishes “Porn”!!

The New York Law School Law Review recently published a nearly 500 page quadruple issue, consisting of almost thirty articles from anticytainess feminists. Noted authors featured in the issue are novelist Judy Blume; Carole Vance; the chairman of Afro-American Studies at Harvard University Henry Louis Gates, Jr.; and NYLS Professor Carlin Meyer. Professor Nadine Strossen, who is also the national President of the ACLU, wrote the Preface and was a driving force behind the issue. The “pornography issue” is a response to a recent law review issue sponsored by Catharine MacKinnon at the University of Michigan.

This semester Law Review intends to publish a double issue on Civil Asset Forfeiture, which was the subject of its Symposium held last year. In addition, an issue dedicated mainly to student notes is slated for publication later this Spring.

On March 30, 1995, Law Review, in conjunction with the NYLS Center for New York City Law spearheaded by Ross Sandler, will host a Symposium entitled “Police and Municipal Corruption: Cures at What Cost?” Scheduled to speak are Police Commissioner William Bratton and nearly every police commissioner over the last 34 years, including Raymond Kelly, as well as Judges Harold Baer, Jr., Whitman Knapp, Ernst H. Rosenberger, and Milton Mollen.

NLG to Sponsor People’s Law Conference on Saturday, February 25, 1995

The National Lawyers’ Guild is sponsoring a conference on the current state of the legal profession and how it can better serve the public. The Conference will be held on Saturday, February 25, 1995, at the Columbia University School of Law. Panel discussions on legal education, policy, and the practice of law will continue throughout the day.

The People’s Law Conference is scheduled to for 11:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. The panel discussions are tentatively scheduled for 12:45 to 2:30 p.m. and 3:00 to 5:15 p.m.

The Evening Division of the NYLS National Lawyers’ Guild is organizing panels of experts to address issues concerning legal education and the rights of the disabled. These panels will discuss how and what law students should be taught to effectively represent various groups of the population.

In addition, other panels will focus on issues of access for disabled students to legal education. Discussions will center on the rights of the disabled, and how traditional legal education may conflict with the ability of the disabled to have access to the legal profession.

The panel discussions will not include speeches, or long statements. Rather, a structured agenda, with specific questions and issues to be addressed by the panelists is planned. The audience will be encouraged to actively participate in the discussions. The proceedings will be taped, and we intend to publish and to widely distribute the results of the Conference.

For more information, please contact Sheryl Fetik, via her mailbox.

Everyone is welcome to join in active discussions on law school study and access for disabled students.

Civil Law Clinic Wins Asylum For Two

The Civil Law Clinic recently won political asylum for two political refugees. The first is a Muslim woman who fled Bosnia, fearing for her life after the “ethnic cleansing” policy was instituted. Among those involved in her case were Professor Carol Buckler and former and current NYLS students Monica Chin, Jai loss Iniguez, Sandra Nichols, Jeffrey Padilla, and Michael Rooney. The Clinic also represented a Chinese man, an artist who was studying in the United States. He painted a picture which was critical of the Chinese government. When it became apparent that the Chinese government probably found out about the painting, he feared returning to China. He was granted political asylum with the help of Professor Richard Marsico and NYLS students Lesi Abella, Robin Gladhain, Gordon Lai, and Matthew Rosen.

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Bar Exam Corner

Commentary by Victor Mualem ’95

The bar exam. After three or four years in law school, the final hurdle for each of us, prior to admission to the bar, is the bar exam. What I will try to do in this series of articles is provide you with timely information regarding this final hurdle.

Although I am the Bar/BriCo-Head Representative here at New York Law School, I will attempt to keep these articles free from bias. I would like to acknowledge the assistance of Bob Cohen, Vice-President of Bar/Bri Bar Review, for his cooperation in pulling together much of the information for this article. Bob has personally assisted thousands of students in their quest to pass the bar exam in New York and elsewhere. He has made available his home phone number for students’ use. His number is (914) 362-0435. He notes he is usually home after 9:30 p.m. and he will welcome your station-to-station collect calls until 11 p.m. to answer any bar-related questions.

The best place to begin is with a discussion of the MPRE (Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination). This examination is given three times each year, in March, August, and November. I would recommend that you consider getting this exam out of the way as early as possible, which means that you should try to take it by, or before, November of your last year in law school. If you are a class of 1995 graduate who has not yet put this exam behind you, then your next exam will be on March 10, 1995. Please note, however, that the filing deadline (postmark deadline) to mail your application for this exam was February 10th, 1995. You can still send in your application now but the fee has risen considerably. The fee must be paid to the bar examiners by either certified check or money order, as the bar examiners do not accept personal checks. Also note that the earlier you apply for the exam, the more likely you are to receive your location preference. Unfortunately, most students will end up sitting for the exam in a giant gym at Pratt Institute in Brooklyn. The only upside of taking the exam at Pratt is that the proctors there have a fun bunch.

Most jurisdictions do not require that you sit for this exam at any particular time during law school. The most notable exception, however, is Florida, which requires that you take the MPRE after graduating from law school but prior to admission to the bar. My reason for recommending that you sit for this exam by November of your last year, if you are a May graduate, is simply that it is best to put it behind you as early as possible. If you put off taking the exam until March of your final year, should circumstances in your personal or professional life prohibit your effective study, you would then need to take the exam in August, after completing the bar exam. Try to avoid this because August should be the time for a well deserved rest or vacation.

The MPRE is a fifty question multiple choice exam covering the ABA Code of Professional Responsibility, the ABA Model Rules of Professional Conduct, and the ABA Model Code of Judicial Conduct. Please note that the MPRE, unlike the professional responsibility course at this law school, does not test the distinctions between the “ABA Code” and the “Model Rules.” Much of the information for the exam is found in the small booklet that accompanies the application packet, and is available at the registrar’s office, or can be picked up at most bar review tables. Passing scores for this exam vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. New York generally requires a raw score of 32 or 33 questions correct out of the fifty questions, for a scaled score of 72. Other jurisdictions require roughly the same score, but some jurisdictions do require a higher score.

Still other jurisdictions have various rules regarding professional responsibility requirements. In Connecticut and New Jersey, most notably, a bar applicant who receives a grade of “C” or better in a professional responsibility course in law school is deemed to have satisfied the professional responsibility admission requirement. If you do not receive a “C” or better, most states require that you sit for and pass the MPRE. Currently, the MPRE is required for admission in 46 jurisdictions.

To prepare for the MPRE (and save a lot of study time), I would suggest that you take the MPRE course offered by one of the various bar review courses and investigate the style of each program. When I took the MPRE, I attended a four-hour class focusing on common areas covered by the exam, and how I should expect to see each area covered on the exam. After attending the four-hour class I merely reviewed my notes consistently and practiced a substantial number of sample questions, which were provided at the class. My total preparation for the exam was 10 hours. The various bar review courses may differ as to suggested study and you should follow their recommendations. The result of your efforts should be a passing score, as I am informed that the majority of people do pass the MPRE on their first attempt.

As a side note, I encourage you to take the MPRE concurrently with your professional responsibility course here at NYLS. Your bar review course should make its MPRE outline available to you, and preparing for the MPRE while taking the professional responsibility course can only assist you in your preparation for your law school final exam.

The bottom line is take this exam as early as possible and get it out of the way. So much for my first instrument on bar exam information.

Good luck in your studies.

Slow Death

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教授ans tohe again and “Ms. Auerbach, do you agree with Holmes?”

He could have read the bubble over my head it would have said, “Haven’t you tortured me enough?” Unfortunately this doesn’t happen in real life. Then, out of the blue, I get a flash of brilliance—flatter him. “That’s a really good question,” I say. It doesn’t work. He still wants an answer.

At this point, I thought, this can’t get any worse, right? Wrong.

We moved on to briefing a case. “Ms. Auerbach, can you tell us the facts?” Sure, I can do that. The facts. That’s the easy part. Brilliantly, I begin to tell what happened. I was doing fine until I got to the part about a habeas corpus proceeding. Damn, I meant to look that up in BLACK’S LAW DICTIONARY. Maybe he’ll just assume I know what that means.

No such luck. This time I did not even try to fake it. I just all out deferred to the political science majors.

“Go on, Ms. Auerbach,” he said after beaming at the student who was able to explain the term. I try again. “Well, mid-way through the testimony and what not, Congress...”

“And what not?” he repeats. What did I say? Something obviously horrible. “And what not?” he repeats again. I try desperately to explain but it’s all too familiar. I have already lost interest. I tried to raise my hand later on in hopes of getting back into his good graces but it was too late. I had erred one too many times.

For those of you that made it to the end of my pathetic yet all too familiar tale, I have a confession to make. I lied before—revenge is sweet. Hang in there. We will make it!

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Passion Play

what is really important in life. For some it is the love of a man or a woman, for others it is a car, a pet, a job, life, school, money, or a hallowed sport that is played between the months of April and October.

For some their passion has ended with the close of the football season. While for others, passions are just starting to build as the seasons roll onto their climax. As one passion ends another one begins and the circle of life is complete. But this year’s baseball fans, who temper the bitter winter months with their dreams of the start of another season, are left with nothing to look forward to except maybe replacement games. For the fan whose passion burns brightest during baseball season, there is no substitute. This, however, is what has become of a game which started in innocence but has turned into a monster, from a passion that was left unchecked. For the true fan the wine is bitter, the food is spoiled, and the circle of life is no more because baseball isn’t played here anymore. The passions of the players, owners, and fans run high. The entire situation has laid our passions low. When it is all said and done, was it worth all this?

No matter what your passion is, or what you might want it to be, remember that life is short and time is fleeting. If your passion wants and accepts you as much as you want and accept it, then hold on and don’t ever let it go. You never know when it just might not be there anymore. Just like baseball disappeared, for a time in 1994. Carpe Diem.

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