MURRAY H. SHUSTERNAN '36 DONATES $1.1 MILLION

Gift endows Shusterman Professorship in Transactional and Business Law

The law school's rapidly expanding business law curriculum received a substantial boost when a prominent Philadelphia business attorney and longtime Temple Law supporter decided to make a gift to endow an endowed chair in the area of law he practiced with demonstrable success in his long career. The $1.1 million gift came from distinguished Philadelphia lawyer and senior counsel at Fox Rothschild, Murray H. Shusterman.

Shusterman has practiced, taught, and excelled in the field of business and real estate law since graduating from Temple Law in 1936. This expression of Shusterman's commitment to the law school is only the most recent in a long list of contributions.

"It is not an exaggeration to say that, without Murray Shusterman, Temple Law School could not have achieved its current level of excellence," says Dean JoAnne A. Epps. "His commitment and generosity have been an inspiration to all of us."

Shusterman's contributions to the law school are not only inspiring, they are unparalleled. For more than seventy years, Shusterman has been an integral part of Temple University and its law school. He began his long association with Temple as an undergraduate, graduating with honors in 1933. He went on to become a member of the law school's first day division class, where he edited the Temple Law Quarterly and graduated with honors in 1936. He left the Temple fold only briefly, to secure an M.A. in Political Science from the University of Pennsylvania.

Before joining Fox Rothschild, Shusterman was a deputy city solicitor in Philadelphia and counsel for the Commission on Human Relations and for the City Council. He also served as vice president for the Philadelphia City Board of Health.

HOW ONE ALUMNUS MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Murray Shusterman's contribution to Temple Law includes many years as an adjunct professor, teaching corporate and real estate law. He also served as president of the alumni association, as a member of the Law School Board of Visitors, and as a member of the University Board of Trustees.

In 1959, the law school's first major fund-raising organization was founded. Murray Shusterman joined with a high-powered and determined group of Temple Law alumni that included Judge Charles Klein '21, Samuel Lander '31, and Judge Ethan Allen Doty '31 to form the Temple University Law Foundation. Years of dedication and diligent fundraising by the Law Foundation have increased its initial endowment of $50,000 to one currently worth nearly $3 million.

In 1981, when Temple Law faculty and students showed increasing interest in international study and research, Shusterman established The Murray H. Shusterman Israel-Temple Law School Exchange Program Fund. For 27 years, Temple Law conducted a summer study abroad program in Tel Aviv. Today, the fund enables students to spend a semester at Tel Aviv University.

By the mid-90s, the law school was expanding and needed to enlarge its physical space beyond Klein Hall. In 1994, as tangible evidence of his devotion to the law school and to Temple University, Shusterman and his family gave one of the largest gifts to the law school at that time, a one million dollar gift towards the renovation of Park Hall, a historically certified English Gothic church located a block from the law school on Park Mall. The meticulously restored building opened officially in 1997 as Murray H. Shusterman Hall. Today the architecturally unique facility hosts conferences, symposia, and other formal gatherings.

In 2013, Shusterman's generosity took a new and creative turn when he announced his desire to contribute to the flourishing business law curriculum by endowing a chair. He explains it this way: "Lord Francis Bacon three centuries ago said, 'I hold every man a debtor to his profession.' Whatever progress I've made personally and professionally, I owe to a large extent to the excellent education I received at Temple undergraduate and law school."
LAW SCHOOL MEETS DEMAND FOR STUDY OF ASIAN LAW

Japanese Law scholar Salil Mehta will direct new LLM in Asian Law program.

AUGUST 2013 "As U.S. trade across the Pacific—and related legal practice—has grown, a consensus has arisen in the legal profession that American legal education should provide relevant training," says Asian Law expert and James E. Beasley Professor of Law Salil K. Mehta. "Nevertheless, there are still only a limited number of academic programs in the United States that provide specialized education about law in Asia."

Today, Temple Law is drawing on its strength as a center of international law to become the second school in the U.S. to offer an advanced degree in Asian Law. Professor Mehta has been named to direct this latest expansion of Temple’s international offerings.

Mehta is well equipped to run the program. He joined the Temple Law faculty in 2000 and teaches various courses, including Japanese Law and Law in Asia, as well as Antitrust, Comparative Competition Law, Contracts, and Corporations. He is a former Abe Fellow of Japan’s Center for Global Partnership and the Social Science Research Center and co-edits the casebook Comparative Law: Law and the Legal Process in Japan. In addition, Mehta, who has taught at both Keio University School of Law and Temple University Japan, speaks and reads Japanese and is proficient in Mandarin.

"The growing number of commercial Asia-U.S. transactions continues to fuel both domestic and foreign demand for U.S. lawyers who specialize in Asian law," says Mehta. "Our new degree program is a very timely development for attorneys pursuing careers in the Asian arena, and Temple is well-situated and highly prepared to capitalize on this underserved market."

In announcing this degree, Temple Law becomes the only law school on the East Coast, and currently one of only two in the country, to offer an LLM, concentrating on Asian Law. (The University of Washington at Seattle also offers a stand-alone Asian Law LLM degree.) The program combines the law school’s academic strengths in International and Comparative Law with its global reach. In addition to the new LLM degree, Temple offers an LLM degree in Transnational Law, dozens of international students travel annually to Temple to earn advanced degrees; and Temple’s Institute for International Law and Public Policy, founded in 2001, makes the school a dynamic center for the study of international law. Temple’s program will be unique in requiring its candidates to spend a semester studying at a law school in Asia, following a fall semester in Philadelphia studying international law. "This [study abroad] requirement will ensure that graduates of the program are exposed not just to substantive aspects of the law, but to the important economic, social, and cultural background in which the law operates," explains Mehta.

Temple Law’s faculty has a depth of expertise in Asian law. Heading the program in Beijing is Professor John Smagula, a leading expert in developing, directing, and teaching in legal education programs for Chinese government officials and commercial lawyers. Since 2003, Smagula has worked as Director of Asian Programs at Temple Law, where he directs and teaches in Temple’s LLM program in collaboration with Tsinghua University and works closely with Temple Law students who study abroad at Tsinghua. Before coming to Temple Law, Smagula was a three-year teaching fellow in China with the Ford Foundation and the Yale-China Association, as well as a corporate associate in the New York and Hong Kong offices of Paul Weiss. He is proficient in Mandarin Chinese.

"Students who study at Tsinghua regularly report that their time in China is instrumental in helping them learn about Chinese law, language, and culture," says Smagula. "Given the complexities of Chinese law, an immersion experience in China is necessary to gain a foothold in the field, and our program offers a unique opportunity."

Chinese law expert Professor Mo Zhang has taught at Temple Law since 1998, and served as the director of Temple’s law program in China for more than a decade. Specializing in conflict of laws, contract law, Chinese law and comparative law, Zhang has published widely in American and Chinese law journals. He joined the faculty after several years of legal practice.

"Temple Law’s strong and steady presence in Japan and China not only demonstrates Temple’s success in international legal education, but also enables us to have truly developed expertise that encompasses all of Asian law," says Zhang. "Temple’s law program in China is highly respected in the Chinese legal community, and today hundreds of graduates from the program provide great resources for in-depth research and study in Chinese law."

In addition, many Temple Law faculty have taught and lectured extensively in Asia and participated in international conferences exploring Asian law. Professor Finbarr McCarthy is the resident faculty member at Temple University Japan.

The LLM in Asian Law, like Temple’s other LLM programs, can be completed in two semesters of full-time study or over the course of four years when done part-time. Full-time students will study on Temple’s main campus in the fall, and in the spring the full-time students will study abroad at one of three Asian campuses: Tsinghua University in Beijing, China; Jindal Global Law School in Delhi, India; or Temple University Japan in Tokyo.

These Asian partner institutions give Temple a physical presence in the capitals of the nations with the three largest economies in Asia. Each of the schools ranks among the top law schools in its respective country. Living in these cities is intended to encourage students to improve their foreign language skills, but all coursework is offered in English.

“We know there is no substitute for the experience of exploring international law while living abroad,” explains Mehta. “It gives students the context to deepen their understanding of law, society, culture and the economy in these critical nations, while living in their increasingly globalized nerve centers.”

Mehta says the program is designed to be small to ensure the quality of the students, admitting no more than six LLM students per year in the first five years. J.D. students can pursue a dual J.D./LL.M. option that will permit them to earn credits towards the LLM while earning their J.D.
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Temple Global Scholars were also briefed on networking in the international arena. They were received as professionals and participated in small group discussions in visits to Italian law firms, to the Italian Court of Cassation (Supreme Court), and to the Italian Bar Association in Rome.

In Perspectives, students were encouraged to examine the city through the lens of new information presented in the classroom. They capped off the course with presentations and papers unraveling some of the mysteries about what intrigued them most during their time in Rome, and the ways in which law and legal institutions contributed to what they experienced: the importation of coffee; wildcat strikes; traffic accidents and the tort system; traffic congestion control; scooters; immigration; criminal law; organized crime; graffiti; performance street art; and creative reuse of old buildings. Their papers developed some of those topics further and also dove into recycling, the apparent absence of safety regulations in Rome, and the laws governing tourists.

Abreu and Myers were joined in Rome by Professor Donald Harris and Adjunct Professor John Myers, who taught courses and offered expertise to the students on their Perspectives topics.

WHAT THE BEST LAW TEACHERS DO

Harvard Press book features Temple Law Professor Nancy J. Knauer

At Temple Law, Professor Nancy J. Knauer’s talents in the classroom, skillful research and writing, and caring mentorship have won her all the law school and university-wide teaching prizes available. Knauer is widely admired by students who often express an initial disinterest, or even trepidation, about studying tax law. Now, readers of Harvard University Press’ new book What the Best Law Teachers Do will discover what her students and colleagues at Temple have long known.

Knauer was one of only 26 carefully selected law professors from around the country whose pedagogy was examined in depth—by the book’s authors Michael H. Schwartz, Gerald F. Hess, and Sophie M. Sparrow. Selections were made from more than 250 nominees teaching at approximately 100 law schools. Nominations came from deans, associate deans, faculty colleagues, students, and alumni, and nominees had to submit evidence that they produce extraordinary, long-term learning.

All law teachers themselves, the authors probe their craft, asking: “What makes a great law professor?” The first study of its kind, What the Best Law Teachers Do identifies the methods, strategies, and personal traits of professors whose students achieve exceptional learning.

The authors found some commonalities among the instructors profiled in the book. First of all, the best teachers reject the distinction between teaching and scholarship, and as a group are productive scholars who publish extensively, contribute to their field of legal inquiry, and work to develop new legal curricula. Knauer, for example, has won awards for her internationally recognized scholarship in the areas of identity, sexuality, and gender. She is also the co-founder of the Aging, Law and Society Collaborative Research Network of the Law and Society Association and serves on the Executive Committee of the Family Law Institute of the National LGBT Bar Association. In 2012 she created the Temple Law and Public Policy Program, an opportunity for students to work and study for a summer in Washington, DC.

The teachers in the book are uniformly renowned for their exacting standards: They set expectations high, while also making course requirements—and their belief that their students can meet them—clear from the outset. They demonstrate professional behavior and tell students to approach class as they would their future professional life: by being as prepared, polished, and gracious as possible. They prepare extensively for each class, even when they have taught the course for years.

And, the authors of What the Best Law Teachers Do conclude, the best law professors understand that the little things matter. They start class on time and stay afterward to answer questions. They learn their students’ names and respond promptly to emails. These instructors are all tough—but they are also committed, creative, and compassionate mentors.

Patrick o’connor awarded honorary degree

“I didn’t graduate from Temple, but ... I fell in love with it,” says chair of Temple’s Board of Trustees.

May 16, 2013 Temple University Board of Trustees Chair Patrick J. O’Connor was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree at Temple University’s 2013 commencement. An esteemed trial attorney, O’Connor is vice chair and former president and CEO of the Philadelphia-based firm of Cozen O’Connor.

O’Connor has served as chair of Temple’s Board of Trustees since 2009. When he was appointed to the board in 1971, the 28-year-old O’Connor became the youngest trustee in the university’s history. He then served Temple for 13 years, during that time rising to leadership roles on the board of finance and investment committees. After taking time off to serve on other academic boards, he was re-appointed to the board by the speaker of the state House of Representatives.

O’Connor is passionate about his work leading the board as he is about Temple’s unique place in the academic world. “I didn’t graduate from Temple, but in my time as a state-appointed trustee, I fell in love with it. It’s elite without being elitist,” he says. O’Connor earned his B.A. at King’s College and his law degree from Villanova.

“Education is a great leveler. And at Temple, it doesn’t matter what your name is, where you come from, or how much money you have. If you have a fertile mind, you can succeed here.”

O’Connor’s respect for a Temple education is reflected at his law firm, where 50 Temple Law alumni are currently employed. Cozen O’Connor is among the 100 largest U.S. firms, with 575 attorneys in 22 cities on two continents.

O’Connor is a fellow of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, the American College of Trial Lawyers and the American Bar Foundation, and is a member of the Board of Historical Society of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He is also chair of the board of BNY Mellon Funds Trusts and Franklin Security Bank, a member of the board of Crowley Chemical Company of New York City, a member and past chair of the board of consultants for the Villanova University School of Law and a member of the advisory board of the Litigation Counsel of America.

Excerpts from “What the Best Law Teachers Do”

“Well, what I like the best about law school is that there is a degree of empowerment that should happen here and I want my students to read the newspaper differently and to listen to the news differently and to understand their place in the world differently.” (Nancy Knauer)

“She was very genuine and it was motivating, I mean it wasn’t an act and it wasn’t something she had to do. She wanted to be there and that came off to us and it made you care about a subject [tax] that clearly none of us really cared all that much about . . . it wasn’t fake or wasn’t pompous.” (student of Nancy Knauer)

“I have a fiduciary responsibility to enable my students to pass the bar exam and hit the ground running when they enter practice.” (Nancy Knauer)

“She imparts a sense of confidence in approaching the law, (that) you can sort of reason through it yourself and understand it.” (student of Nancy Knauer)
STUDENT SCHOLARS PRESENT AT LAW AND SOCIETY MEETING

Temple Law and Public Policy Program yields concrete results.

JUNE 3, 2013 Five students—introduced as Temple Law and Public Policy Scholars—presented papers on topics ranging from LGBT elder issues to Armenian genocide at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association, an international gathering convened in Boston in June. There, students sat on panels with accomplished scholars from around the world whose disciplines include law, political science, sociology, and psychology.

The students’ papers originated from research done while participating in Temple Law’s innovative Law and Public Policy Program, now in its second year. Students who participate in the Law and Public Policy Program, an intensive summer program in Washington, D.C. directed by Professor Nancy Kraner, are designated Law and Public Policy Scholars. In addition to completing policy-oriented internships and receiving mentoring from professionals in relevant areas, the scholars are charged with conducting research and writing substantive “white papers.”

The group of 2012 student scholars’ research yielded five papers that were accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Law and Society Association, which publishes the Journal of Law and Society. The presenting scholars and their topics were:

ANDREA ANASTASI ‘14 “Aging in Health, Honor, and Dignity: LGBT Elders and the Older Americans Act”

CHRISTINA GILFI LÁN ‘14 “Victim Protection: A Comprehensive Legislative Approach to Combating Sexual Trafficking in the United States”

MARY JONES ‘14 “Regulating for the Public Health: The Sage Drinking Water Act, Perchlorate, and the Constitution”

JASON LAMB ‘13 “The Digital Divide: Free Expression, Technology, and Democracy”

ADRIAN STEFANIAN ‘14 “U.S. Recognition of the Armenian Genocide”

JENNIFER JUNG WUK LEE

Temple Law Assistant Clinical Professor Jennifer Jung Wuk Lee has a strong and varied background in the practice of public interest law. Until recently, she was the managing attorney for the migrant farm worker division of Colorado Legal Services. Before holding that position for seven years, Lee held staff attorney positions for the ACLU of Colorado, the farmworker unit of Legal Aid of North Carolina, and the housing unit of Brooklyn Legal Services.

At Temple, Lee will teach and supervise students at the law school’s new Stephen and Sandra Shelter Center for Social Justice. There she will encourage students to engage in social justice through a multi-faceted approach, which includes litigation, policy advocacy, and community education.

Lee’s research interests include legal problems that arise from the intersection of employment and immigration law, and the advancement of the rights of noncitizens working in the U.S. through the legal system. Among her publications are Private Remedies: A Viable Tool for Guest Worker Empowerment (Loyola L.A. Law Review, 2012); and The Shepherder Project: Devising Systemic Change for Marginalized Workers (Clearinghouse Review, 2012).

Lee received a B.S. from MIT and a J.D. from Columbia Law School, where she was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar and a Human Rights Fellow. Following law school, she clerked in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for Temple alumnus Hon. Franklin Van Antwerp ’67.

JENNIFER LEE

JASON LAMB ’13 AND MARY JONES ’14 WERE TWO OF THE TEMPLE LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY SCHOLARS WHO PRESENTED WHITE PAPERS AT THE CONFERENCE IN BOSTON.

RACHÉL REBOUCHE

Rachél Rebouché is an associate professor of law, at Temple, where she will teach family law, health law, and comparative family law. Like Lin, Rebouché previously taught at the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where she was an assistant professor of law and an associate director of the Center for Children & Families. Rebouché’s current research examines the intersection of genetic testing and family law doctrines, comparative approaches in reproductive health law, and governance feminism. Her recent publications include Comparative Prognostics (Maryland Law Review, 2013); Mixed Messages: The Intersection of Prenatal Genetic Testing and Abortion (Howard Law Journal, 2012); and The Limits of Reproductive Rights in Improving Women’s Health (Alabama Law Review, 2011).

Rebouché received a B.A. from Trinity University and an LL.M. from Queen’s University, Belfast before earning a J.D. from Harvard Law School. At Harvard, she was the editor-in-chief of the Harvard Journal of Law & Gender and a research assistant to Professors Lani Guinier and Martha Minow. Following law school, Rebouché was an associate director of adolescent health programs at the National Partnership for Women & Families (formerly, the Women’s Legal Defense Fund) and a Women’s Law and Public Policy Fellow at the National Women’s Law Center. She also clerked at the Constitutional Court of South Africa.

WARREN McELROY BALLARD

1911–2013

JULY 18, 2013 Temple Law Professor Emeritus Warren McElroy Ballard died at his home in Catonsville, MD. A native of St. Louis, Professor Ballard earned both a bachelor’s degree and a law degree from the University of Virginia. After a brief career practicing law, Ballard enrolled in a postgraduate program for aspiring law professors at Yale University. In 1940, he joined the faculty of Temple Law, where he was a popular teacher until his official retirement in 1978.

Contributions may be made in Professor Ballard’s honor to Temple University Beasley School of Law, c/o director of the Office of Development, 1719 N. Broad St., Philadelphia 19122.
1970s

Wolters Kluwer Law & Business, a legal publishing firm, has named Chamberlain Hrdlicka shareholder STEWART M. WEINTRAUB ’71 to its newly-created legal tax advisory board. Weintraub was also recently elected council director of the American Bar Association tax section.

TERRY D. WEILER ’73, a partner in the Berks County, PA law firm of Huckabee, Weiler & Levengood, will serve a three-year term on the Pennsylvania Bar Association’s board of governors. One of twelve zone governors who serve on the board, Weiler will represent Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton and Schuylkill County lawyers. Weiler is a former president and director of the Berks County Bar Association and president of the Law Foundation of Berks County.

Pennsylvania State Senator LAWRENCE FARNESE ’74 has joined the firm of Zarwin Baum DeVito Kaplan Schaer Toddy as of counsel. Farnese, the Democratic chair of the communications and technology committee, has been in office since 2008.

Philadelphia criminal defense lawyer THEODORE SIMON ’74 has been appointed to the board of directors of the Theodore F. Jenkins Memorial Law Library. Simon also serves on the board of directors and as first vice-president and president-elect of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

DEBORAH R. WILLIG ’75 has been named to serve on the board of the Juvenile Law Center. The Juvenile Law Center, a Philadelphia-based national advocate for children’s rights, was co-founded by Willig’s law school classmate Robert Schwartz ’75, and Marsha Levick ’76. Willig is managing partner of Willig, Williams & Davidson, a Philadelphia union-side labor law firm.

President of Southern Vermont College KAREN GROSS ’77 has been reappointed to the New England Board of Higher Education by Vermont Governor Peter Shumlin for a six-year term. Gross assumed the presidency of Southern Vermont College after teaching law for two decades. Last year, she took a leave from the college to work in Washington as a senior policy advisor at the Department of Education.

1980s

STEWART J. EISENBERG ’80, co-founder and senior partner of Eisenberg, Rothweiler, Winkler, Eisenberg, & Jeck, was recently elected to the American Board of Trial Advocates, an invitation-only association that seeks trial lawyers and judges with “high personal character and honorable reputations.” Eisenberg is a past president of the Pennsylvania Association for Justice (formerly the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association) as well as past president of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association.

ANNA MARIA FAIRIS ’80 was nominated by Texas Governor Rick Perry to a six-year term as Board Regent at the Texas Woman’s University. Fairis, who is currently in private practice, is the former director of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives. She was inducted into the Texas Women’s Hall of Fame in 2000.

Trial attorney RICHARD RUSSO ’80 was recently named to the Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum, limited to attorneys who have won multi-million dollar verdicts, awards and settlements for their clients. Russo is a partner at the Wilkes Barre, PA firm of Roseni Jenkins & Greenwald. A past president of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, Russo is also vice president of the Committee for Justice for All and on the board of the Kevin Kitchinfsky Foundation for Spinal Cord Research.

The Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce recently honored BARBARA N. LYONS ’81 with the Village Improvement Association of Doylestown Women in Business Leadership Award. Lyons is the founder of Bucks County Mediation and Arbitration Center, chair of the Doylestown Township board of supervisors and has served as chair of Doylestown’s parks and recreation board. She is also president of CB Cares Educational Foundation and a counselor to women and families in transition.

In May 2013, DAVID E. TROYER ’82, a senior litigation counsel for the organized crime strike force in the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, secured convictions against all four defendants in the federal racketeering case of United States v. Kabbani Savage, et al. The case involved twelve murders in 2004, including the murder of a witness, and the murders of six family members of another witness. After a four-month trial, the jury returned death sentences as to all twelve victims against the defendant, marking the first time in the history of the Eastern District of Pennsylvania that a federal death penalty verdict was imposed.

RAY OSTROSKI ’83 was recently appointed vice president and general counsel of Shertel Telecommunications Company, a publicly traded company headquartered in Edinburg, VA. Ostroski previously held positions at One Communications, Commonwealth Telephone Enterprises, and C-TEC and RCN corporations.

MARSHA LEVICK ’76 CHOSEN FOR FIRST ARLEN SPECTER AWARD

JUNE 27, 2013 Temple Law was well represented at The Legal Intelligencer’s 170th anniversary celebration, where two of the three finalists for the new Arlen Specter award were Temple Law graduates.

The winner, Marsha Levick ’76 of the Juvenile Law Center, was one of three finalists for a new award named in memory of the longtime U.S. Senator from Pennsylvania who died in 2012. Levick was honored for her work as chief counsel of the Juvenile Law Center, an organization she co-founded in 1975 with Temple alumnus Robert Schwartz ’75.

Also nominated for the award were Temple Law alumnus Joe H. Tucker Jr. ’89 of the Tucker Law Group and John M. Oelend, senior judge of the Pennsylvania Superior Court and McKean County Court of Common Pleas.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCER PRESENTS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS TO FIVE FROM TEMPLE

Five Temple Law alumni were also among those selected by The Legal to receive Lifetime Achievement Awards:

• Hon. Phyllis W. Beck ’67, chair and chief financial officer of the Independence Foundation, former Pennsylvania Superior Court judge

• Hon. Albert S. Dandridge III ’78, partner at Schnader Harrison Segal & Lewis

• Hon. Nelson A. Diaz ’72, partner at Dilworth Paxson, former Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas judge

• Charisse L. Lillie ’76, vice president, community investment, for cable titan Comcast and president of the Comcast Foundation

• Deborah R. Willig ’75, founder and managing partner at Willig, Williams & Davidson
CAROL ANN SHORT ’83 is the new CEO of the New Jersey Builders Association, after serving briefly as acting CEO. Short was previously the association’s chief operating officer.

ELAINE C. GREENBERG ’86 is stepping down as chief of the Securities and Exchange Commission’s enforcement division’s municipal securities and public pensions unit and associate director of the agency’s Philadelphia regional office. Greenberg leaves after 25 years with the SEC to accept a position in the private sector.

A short story written by JANIS WILSON ’86, “The Devil’s Triangle,” was published in an anthology entitled Death Knell V. Wilson is a consultant to Deadly Affairs, a program on the Investigation Discovery Channel.

STEFANIE A. LINDQUIST ’88 has been named dean of the University of Georgia School of Public and International Affairs. Lindquist, who began her academic career nearly 20 years ago at the University of Georgia, was previously the Charles Alan Wright Chair in Federal Courts and associate dean for external affairs at the University of Texas School of Law. She is the author or co-author of more than 50 journal articles, book chapters, essays and legal notes, as well as two books: Measuring Judicial Activism and Judging on a Collegial Court: Influences on Appellate Court Decision Making.

Harrisburg attorney NORRIS E. BENNS JR. ’89 has been elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute. Benns is the director of regulatory affairs with Blue Cross of Northeastern Pennsylvania. He previously was a senior attorney for the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare’s Office of General Counsel, and also as the director of the Department’s Bureau of Program Integrity.

1990s

MICHAEL STUTMAN ’90 joined the Philadelphia office of Chamberlain, Hrdlicka, White, Williams & Austing in April 2013 as senior counsel in the real estate and corporate departments. White and Williams attorney RANDY MANLOFF ’91 published “I Paid for That Rooftop Seat” in The Wall Street Journal this past April. The article examined the legal issues surrounding a possible suit between the Chicago Cubs and Wrigley Field’s neighbors over views of the stadium from their rooftops.

JOSEPH MCDERMOTT ’91 retired from the Department of the Navy after 34 years of federal government service. McDermott writes that his “immediate plans now are to lay on the beach in Brigantine, NJ, watch the waves, and read books.”

KENDALL S. ZYLSTRA ’91 has joined Rust Consulting as director of business development, and will focus his work in the antitrust practice area. Previously, he was a partner at Faruqi & Faruqi, where he chaired the antitrust litigation department. Zylstra was appointed to the advisory board of the American Antitrust Institute in 2013.

The Philadelphia labor firm of Willig, Williams & Davidson announced that MICHAEL D. DRYDEN ’92 has been certified as a specialist in the practice of workers’ compensation law by the Pennsylvania Bar Association workers’ compensation law section. Dryden, who chairs his firm’s workers’ compensation department, is one of only 38 lawyers in Philadelphia to have earned this certification.

Compliance, a legal staffing and project management firm headquartered in Arlington, VA, has named MARC ZAMKSY ’92 as chief operating officer.

EDWARD KENNEDY ’93 has left the Lancaster County district attorney’s office to practice injury law at the York, PA firm of Katherine Briggs & Greenberg.

JAMIE PAUL YADGAROFF ’93 has joined The Odell Studner Group, a Radnor, PA-based boutique insurance and risk management consulting firm, as general counsel.

The law firm of Stites & Harbison has named ELIZABETH JOHNSON ’94 chair of the firm’s health care service group. Johnson is a partner based in the firm’s Lexington, KY office.

PATRICIA M. MAYER ’97, who practices bankruptcy law at Belknap & Mayer in Bucks County, PA, recently spoke at the national conference for the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys on the topic of student loan debt and bankruptcy. Mayer, a frequent lecturer for the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, is on the course planning team and a presenter for the annual Bankruptcy Institute to be held at FBI in October 2013.

WILLIAM MCDENVITT ’97 has moved to Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker’s Philadelphia office as a partner.

DENISE M. BOWMAN ’98, an attorney in Hill Wallack’s Yardley, PA office, recently received the Outstanding Service Award from the Lower Bucks County Chamber of Commerce for her work as counsel to the organization during the past fiscal year. Most recently, the Chamber’s board of directors elected her to the position of chair. Bowman is a member of Hill Wallack’s litigation division and business and commercial practice group.

JONATHAN D. PAVLOVYCK ’99, an attorney in Hill Wallack’s Yardley, PA office, was recently appointed as counsel to the board of directors for the Lower Bucks County Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of Hill Wallack’s trial and insurance defense, insurance coverage, complex litigation and construction industry practice groups.

The Conshohocken, PA firm of Royer Cooper Cohen Braunfeld announced the addition of LISA A. LORI, JD ’99, LLM IN TRIAL ADVOCACY ’03, as a partner. Lori is member of the Solebury Township zoning hearing board as well as a board member and the regional director for the Philadelphia region of Fashion Group International.

2000s

Shareholder ELIZABETH GARCIA ’00 has been appointed chair of the labor and employment practice group at the Mount Laurel, NJ firm of ParkerMcCay. Garcia is association treasurer of the Burlington County Bar, and served as president of the Burlington County Bar’s Foundation.

NIKI ARBITTIER TRUNK, JD/MBA ’00 recently won the Republican Party nomination to run for New Jersey State Senate in the Third Legislative District. Prior to her nomination, Trunk was the deputy chief of staff for the New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller.

Avangard Capital Group has appointed ERIC RAYZ ’01 to join its board of directors. Rayz is a co-managing member of Kalikman & Rayz in Huntington Valley, PA, where he advises clients on transactional and litigation matters.

STEPHEN J. ALEXANDER ’02 has been elected a full equity shareholder of the law firm of Capehart Scudder. Alexander practices in the litigation department of the Mt. Laurel, NJ office. He is also active in politics as a fourth term commissioner of Upper Freehold Township, and currently serves as the deputy mayor. Alexander has served 21 years in the Air Force including 8 years of active duty. His current rank is Lieutenant Colonel in the New Jersey Air National Guard and he holds a position as a State Air Staff Judge.
MARC D. PORTLOCK ’02 has joined Lowe & Associates as a senior associate. Portlock’s practice will focus on risk management and corporate compliance.

PETER CATALANOTTI ’03 was recently made partner at the San Francisco firm of Manning & Kass, Elrod, Ramirez, Trester, where he practices professional indemnity insurance defense. This past summer, he received his real estate broker’s license as well.

MAJOR JACLYN GRIEGER ’04, of the US Army JAG Corps, was awarded the 2013 Burton Award for Public Service in recognition of her work on behalf of victims of sexual assault. Grieger is an initial special victim’s prosecutor in the Army JAG Corps. As the first-ever active military service member to receive a Burton Award, she was the only winner (besides Justice Sonia Sotomayor) asked to speak at the presentation.

GAETANO P. PICCIRILLI ’04, an associate in the real estate group at Dilworth Paxson, was elected chair of the Pennsylvania State Real Estate Commission. The commission is the Department of Commerce body responsible for regulation, licensure and discipline of 50,000 real estate professionals in the Commonwealth.

AMY T. BROOKS ’05 has been elected to a three-year term on the Haverford College board of managers. Brooks practices education law at the Blue Bell, PA firm of Wiser Pearlstein. A class of 1992 graduate of Haverford College and an athlete who excelled in volleyball, basketball and lacrosse, Brooks was inducted into Haverford’s Athletic Hall of Achievement in 2010.

KEITH J. COYLE ’05, former attorney in the U.S. Department of Transportation’s Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, joined the Pittsburgh law firm of Babst Calland in their energy and natural resources group, where he focuses on matters affecting the oil and natural gas pipeline industries. (Note from editor: The name of Coyle’s law firm was incorrectly identified in the June 2013 issue of Temple Esq.)

MARSHAL H. DAVIS JD/MBA ’05, LL.M ’09 was appointed to coach Team USA Fencing at the World Maccabiah Games in Israel this past July. Marshal is the CEO of Davis Law and practices in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. He and his wife also own Liberty Fencing Club in Bucks County and coach the men’s and women’s fencing teams at Swarthmore College. They just welcomed a daughter, Maya, into the world this past February.

USClaims has hired Philadelphia personal injury trial attorney DONNA LEE JONES, LL.M in TRIAL ADVOCACY ’05, as a litigation funding senior underwriter. Prior to joining USClaims, Jones was a partner at Saltz Mongeluzzi Barrett & Bendesky.

AMY MCCULLOUGH ’05 has joined the Atlanta, GA firm of Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton as an associate focusing her practice on health care and healthcare statutory and regulatory issues.

The insurance law firm of Nelson Levine has named CHRISTOPHER J. DIENNO ’07 a partner. The former president of a website development and marketing company, Dienno joined Nelson Levine in 2009 and has focused his practice on privacy and data security issues.

Community Legal Services attorney RASHDEEHAH PHILLIPS ’08 was honored by City Council as a Rising Star of the 2013 Next Generation of Women Leaders. In presenting the award, Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown described Phillips as “an outstanding model of a professional woman who has the courage to lead and the drive to make things happen with excellence as your standard.” Phillips is currently a staff attorney in CLS’ housing law unit.

SHAWN SHIQUING LI ’08 has joined Dilworth Paxson as a partner in the firm’s intellectual property practice. He was previously an associate at Blank Rome. A native of Shanghai, China who speaks fluent Mandarin, Li earned a doctoral degree from New York University School of Medicine in 2003 and spent three years as a research scientist at the University of Pennsylvania before attending law school.

PETER J. WENKER ’08 has joined Brooks Law Firm as an associate attorney. The firm is based in Rock Island, IL and Davenport, IA. Prior to joining Brooks, Wenker was an associate with Freehill, Hogan & Mahar in New York City specializing in maritime law.

At the 2013 New York City Police Academy graduation, ANDY CHIU ’12 was named class salutatorian when he graduated second in his class of 781 new police officers. He also earned the Police Commissioner’s Award. Chiu is a former investigator for the New York City Department of Corrections.

EMILY BUSCH JONES ’11 has joined White and Williams as an associate in the business department. She will work in the firm’s Philadelphia office.

DANIELLE SPANG ’12 is a new associate at the Massachusetts firm of Culk Law, where she practices consumer law. Prior to joining Culk, Spang was a sole practitioner advocating for consumers in Massachusetts and Maine. She was recently awarded the Meg Connolly MVP Award by Senior Partners for Justice.

KEITH GREENWALD ’13 and LAUREN VOGEL ’13 have been offered internships at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia at the Hague. Greenwald will serve in the office of the prosecutor while Vogel will serve in the victims and witnesses section. Vogel succeeds RACHAEL STEENHOLD ’12, who is currently finishing an internship in that section. Greenwald and Vogel were guided in their application process by LIZ TURCHI, LL.M. IN TRANSNATIONAL LAW ’11, the former assistant director of Temple Law’s Office of Graduate and International Programs, who currently works in the victims and witnesses section.

Montgomery County Assistant District Attorney JAMES E. PRICE II ’13 was awarded the James J. Mandenno Award for Trial Advocacy by the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers’ Association at their annual June meeting. The award was given in recognition of Price’s law school achievements as a two-year member of the trial team: he was 2013 champion in the NTC regional competition; 2012 semifinalist in the William Daniels Atlantic Trial Lawyers Competition; and he won the Barrister Award in 2011.

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GAY ACTIVIST GIAMPOLLO ‘07 EXPLAINS DOMA IMPLICATIONS FOR TRI-STATE AREA

Attorney Angela D. Giampollo ’07, president of the board of Gay and Lesbian Lawyers of Philadelphia and a vocal advocate for the lesbian and gay community in Philadelphia, was in wide demand following the Supreme Court’s July ruling on the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA). Interviews with Giampollo appeared on Pennsylvania Cable Network, PA’s CSPAN, and WHYY’s Newsworks, in which she expressed her views on the ruling’s implications for same-sex couples in Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey.

Giampollo is a contributing columnist to the Philadelphia Gay News, Philadelphia Business Journal, Echeleon, Dot429, and Legalzoom.com and maintains two blogs on her firm’s website: phillygaylawyer.com and lifeinhouse.com. She is principal of the international boutique firm, Giampollo Law Group, which she founded in 2008 “to provide a safe place for the LGBT community to service their legal needs and have their business and entrepreneurial questions answered.”

DEAN JOANNE A. EPPS WITH JAMES AND REBECCA GOSLEE

JAMES GOSLEE ’06 AWARDED O’BRIEN TRIAL AD SCHOLARSHIP

James Goslee ’06, an associate at Cohen, Plactetla & Roth, is the first recipient of the William J. O’Brien Scholarship in Trial Advocacy. The scholarship was established following the death of trial attorney and trial advocacy instructor William O’Brien in 2012. O’Brien was an original instructor in Temple’s LL.M. in Trial Advocacy program, and many graduates trained with him. The scholarship, endowed by contributions from O’Brien’s firm, Conrad O’Brien, and by his students, friends and professional colleagues, will fund Goslee’s attendance in the LL.M. in Trial Advocacy degree program.
STATE-LEVEL YOUTH CONCUSION LAWS LACK SCIENTIFIC FOCUS,
says Hosea Harvey

JULY 2013 During the past decade, professional sports leagues have wrestled with increasing awareness of, and litigation about, the long-term health consequences of sports-related concussions. These national conversations have led, in part, to similar concerns in youth sports activities, as parents, coaches, and schools search for ways to address the same health concerns for young athletes. Their concern has prompted a growing body of statewide youth sports laws aimed at reduction of youth sports concussions—which are generally referred to as part of a category of Traumatic Brain Injuries, or TBIs.

When Assistant Professor of Law Hosea H. Harvey took a close look at the youth sports TBI laws that were passed in 44 states and Washington, DC between 2009 and 2012, this is what he discovered: existing youth sports TBI laws were not designed to reduce initial TBIs, instead focusing almost exclusively on secondary risk-reduction.

In his comprehensive examination of existing state laws and the legislative history behind such laws, Harvey concludes that not one of the laws focuses on primary prevention. Instead, such laws focus on increasing coaches’ and parents’ ability to identify and respond to initial TBIs, and reducing the immediate risk of multiple TBIs.


“This article also describes an open-source data set of the constituent components of current laws, which is part of a larger research agenda developed by our own Professor Scott Burris and supported by a leading foundation that partners with the law school,” says Harvey. “It’s my goal that the article and the data analysis will be used to facilitate further research and help refine existing legislation. There is still a lot of work to be done to help reduce the health risks and consequences of TBIs in youth sports.”

Harvey has taught at the law school since 2010 and his research focuses on bridging the gap between social science and traditional law scholarship. In recognition of his cutting-edge scholarship, he was recently named to the “50 Under 50” list by the publication, Lawyers of Color.

In addition to teaching at the law school, Harvey, who earned both his J.D. and a Ph.D. in Political Science from Stanford University, is an assistant professor in the political science department.