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Front cover photo: The inaugural group of Barrack Scholars is comprised of fifteen members of the Class of 2019. With donors Leonard and Lynne Barrack, they are (from left): Tausha Saunders, Jessica Henschel, Geoffrey LeGrand, Nicholas Kato, Elisa Hyder, Danton Moyer, Israel Schwartz, John Cappel, Claude Rubenok, Anjali Deshpande, Brian Mahoney, Izabella Babchinskaya, Vitoria Medeiros, Mariah Volk, Keni Colfer.
MESSAGE FROM INTERIM DEAN GREGORY MANDEL

We are grateful to our graduates, students and friends who are listed in this published Honor Roll of donors for the 2016 fiscal year. Your participation is essential to our success.

I am fortunate to be leading the law school at this time. JoAnne A. Epps, now Executive Vice President and Provost of Temple University, worked closely with our donors during her eight years as Dean of the law school. Some fundraising highlights of her tenure include:

- The Leonard Barrack Scholars: $5,000,000
- The Murray H. Shusterman Chair in Business Law: $1,300,000
- The Stephen and Sandra Sheller Center for Social Justice: $1,500,000
- The Honorable Joyce Kean Scholarship for Social Justice: $500,000

We had more than 400 Conwell level donors in each year of her deanship and thousands of others who made additional contributions. This generosity benefits the law school tremendously, allowing us to continue our mission of providing a first-rate, affordable, and accessible legal education to the next generation of Temple Law School graduates.

Faculty

Our faculty had another outstanding year. Their research contributes to our understanding of how the law functions in society and how the legal system can be improved. Of particular note, two of our colleagues published groundbreaking books. Peter Spiro, the Charles R. Weiner Professor of Law, published a new book on citizenship, At Home in Two Countries: The Past and Future of Dual Citizenship (2016). Professor Kathryn Stanchi, the Jack E. Feinberg ’57 Professor of Litigation, was co-editor of Feminist Judgments: Rewritten Opinions of the United States Supreme Court (2016).

I am pleased to report that Professor Pamela Bookman has joined the law school faculty full-time (she was a visitor last year). She teaches courses in civil procedure and international business law. She has a recent article in the Stanford Law Review, Litigation Isolationism (2015). Professor Bookman clerked for Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg on the Supreme Court, was an Academic Fellow at Columbia Law School, and a Senior Associate at Wilmer Hale.

Professor Henry Richardson was selected to receive the American Society of International Law Honorary Membership Award. This prestigious honor is awarded to an individual who has rendered distinguished contributions in the field of international law. (See page 7).

J.D. program

We enrolled another strong class of Temple Law students this fall, a result that could not have been achieved without your support. Our first-year class has 220 students, 184 in the day and 36 in the evening. The class is evenly split between men and women and thirty-four percent of the class identify as minority students. The students come from 24 different states and 113 different undergraduate colleges. Sixty-one percent are Pennsylvania residents and the average age is 25. As usual, the class enters with strong academic credentials, including a mean LSAT score of 160 and mean undergraduate GPA of 3.49. (See page 9).

Thank you for your continued generosity. We look forward to another exciting year at Temple Law School in 2016-17.

Gregory Mandel, Interim Dean
Leonard ’68 and Lynne Barrack: A History of Giving

Temple Law graduate and University Trustee Leonard Barrack ’68, and his wife Lynne, have long been two of the university’s most generous benefactors. Leonard Barrack graduated from Temple’s Business School before attending Temple Law. Lynne Barrack earned her undergraduate degree from Temple’s School of Education, and two of their children earned degrees at Temple, one from the law school.

Leonard Barrack is chair of Temple Law School’s Board of Visitors and a senior and founding partner of Barrack, Rodos & Bacine, which litigates securities and antitrust class actions and complex commercial litigation.

The Barracks’ previous major gifts to Temple Law include the establishment of the Barrack Public Interest Fellowship Program, and the Kohn and Weiner Professorships. The Barracks’ generosity also made possible a significant law school expansion when College Hall was renovated and renamed Morris and Sylvia Barrack Hall.

15 BARRACK SCHOLARS ANNOUNCED

AUGUST 2016 A group of extraordinary members of the Temple Law Class of 2019 began their first semester of a three-year long journey with a huge burden lifted off their shoulders. The fifteen students comprising the inaugural group of Barrack Scholars have been selected to receive a tuition-free legal education.

The Barrack Scholarships are supported by the most recent generous gift to Temple University from Leonard Barrack ’68 and his wife Lynne. The Barracks’ $5 million gift to the Temple University President’s Strategic Fund was announced in June 2016.

The group of fifteen diverse and highly accomplished individuals includes an investigator for the Pennsylvania Innocence Project, a reporter for Política, a student theater performer and a painter. At least three of the scholarship recipients are the first to earn college degrees in their families. Ten are proficient in at least one language in addition to English, including Tlingit, Russian, Hindi, Lingala, and Ancient Aramaic. Three were born outside the U.S., in Congo, Brazil and Ukraine.

“Len and Lynne Barrack continue to support the law school in deeply generous ways,” says Interim Dean Gregory Mandel. “This first group of Barrack Scholars sustains Temple Law School’s mission to make an exceptional legal education available to a wide range of highly accomplished students.

“When we look at the Barrack Scholars, we are looking at the future of outstanding advocacy.”
Izabella Babchintsakaya
Born in the Ukraine, Babchintsakaya moved to the U.S. at the age of two and grew up in Westmoreland, PA. As an undergraduate at George Washington University, she captained the mock trial team and interned at the Department of Justice. Babchintsakaya speaks English, Russian and Spanish.

John Cappel
Cappel, a 2011 graduate of Princeton University, earned a master’s degree from American University and worked at a foreign policy think-tank in Washington, DC before a volunteer role evolved into a full-time job as a church youth minister.

Kerri Colfer
Colfer interned at the Federal Defender Office in Philadelphia before entering law school. While attending Brown University, Colfer, a member of the Tlingit tribe, volunteered with several American Indian organizations. In addition to English, Colfer speaks French and Tlingit.

Anjali Deshpande
After graduating from Barnard College, Deshpande spent two years working as a paralegal at Dechert in Philadelphia. At the same time, she completed an internship with the Honorable Cheryl A. Krause of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. In the past, she also interned for Senator Robert Menendez, Congressman Jim Saxton, and Patrick Murphy’s campaign for Pennsylvania Attorney General.

Jessica Henschel
Before entering law school, Henschel worked for a year as a preschool teacher in York, PA. The first in her family to attend college, Henschel earned a degree in anthropology, with a minor in chemistry, from the University of Pittsburgh.

Elisa Hyder
While attending the University of Pennsylvania, Hyder volunteered as a mentor for West Philadelphia elementary school students for four years through Community School Student Partnerships. She also spent two summers teaching with Philadelphia Freedom Schools.

Nicholas Kato
Kato has worked as a full-time staff investigator for the Pennsylvania Innocence Project since 2014. Other work experience includes five years as an investigator for the Seattle Defender Association, serving as a union shop steward for SEIU Local 925, which in part covered public defense employees, and teaching a course in investigations at Rutgers University. Kato attended the University of Washington.

Geoffrey LaGrand
A graduate of University of Puget Sound, LaGrand enters law school with a wide range of experiences. Most recently, he worked as a program analyst for the Bureau of Labor Statistics. He was also a national security intern for the Century Foundation, with a focus on transnational organized crime; served as a research associate at the Council on Hemispheric Affairs; and interned for Congressman Adam Smith. LaGrand served in the Peace Corps in Honduras for one year.

Brian Mahoney
Before becoming a reporter on labor policy for Politico, Mahoney covered federal courts for the legal newswire Law360. He interned for U.S. News and World Report and for the Pulitzer Center for Crisis Reporting. Mahoney earned his undergraduate degree from the College of William and Mary.

Vitoria Medeiros
Born in Brazil, Medeiros graduated with honors from Florida State University. After college, she worked as a paralegal for the Volunteer Lawyers Project in Buffalo, NY. Medeiros has also earned a Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Certificate.

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‘Sentencing in the Modern Age’ is focus of Temple Law Review symposium

OCTOBER 14, 2016 Contemporary alternative punishment programs and reformation efforts were the focus of a one-day symposium organized by the Temple Law Review.

“The overarching purpose of this symposium was to present a ‘snapshot’ of the effect of criminal punishment judicially, systemically, and personally,” wrote law review editors and symposium organizers Diana Joskowicz and Emily Kimmelman. “This was an opportunity to bring a nuanced and grounded perspective to the issue of criminal punishment that has so gripped the country’s attention.”

The keynote speakers, Hon. L. Felipe Restrepo, Hon. Timothy Rice, and Edwin Villanueva, discussed the Eastern District of Pennsylvania’s Reentry Court, a voluntary program for Philadelphia residents on supervised release. In the pioneering program, up to 20 participants appear every two weeks as a group before a federal magistrate judge to report on their progress. The participants are also intensively supervised by the probation officer assigned to Reentry Court, who assists with education, training, employment, and other needs and imposes sanctions when necessary. After participants successfully complete 52 weeks, they are eligible for a reduction of their supervised release period. Judges Restrepo and Rice preside over Reentry Court; Edwin Villanueva is a graduate of the program.

Danton Moyer
Moyer’s interest in a legal career was reinforced when he interned at the Philadelphia Defender’s Association while earning an undergraduate degree in political science and philosophy at Cabrini College. Moyer, whose parents did not attend college, was also active in student government and performed in student theater productions.

Claude Ruboneka
Ruboneka, a native of the Democratic Republic of Congo, immigrated from his war-stricken country at the age of six and settled in Jefferson City, MO. He graduated with a degree in business economics from the University of Arkansas, where he was involved in student government and the National Association of Black Accountants.

Tausha Saunders
Saunders is among the first in her family to graduate from college. Before entering law school, she worked as the legal assistant for two retired judges and volunteered for the Miami-Dade Guardian ad Litem program. Saunders attended St. John’s University-Queens.

Israel Schwartz
Schwartz, who has taught Talmudic law in Jerusalem and served as acting assistant rabbi in a Young Israel in Margate City NJ, earned his undergraduate degree at Tifereth Jerusalem in New York City. Schwartz is married with a 2-year-old daughter and two-month-old twin boys.

Mariah Volk
Volk is president of a prison ministry organization and volunteers at a halfway house and a youth intervention center. She has completed social work internships at a school and at Maine Pretrial Services. The daughter of a state senator in Maine, Volk attended Eastern University.
MARYLOUISE ESTEN DEPARTS LAW SCHOOL FOR UNIVERSITY POST AFTER 25 YEARS

Dean for Students joins University Provost’s Office

OCTOBER 19, 2016 Temple University Executive Vice President and Provost JoAnne A. Epps announced the appointment of Marylouise C. Esten, an admired and respected administrator with 25 years of leadership experience at Beasley School of Law, to serve as Epps’ deputy provost and chief of staff.

Epps was dean of the law school from 2008 until June 2016, when she was named to her current position. Known by colleagues and friends as Weegie, Esten worked closely with Epps during their shared time at the law school.

“Weegie has demonstrated exemplary leadership in her roles in the law school, counseling students, advising faculty, mentoring staff, and supporting alumni,” says Provost Epps. “As she did when she was a treasured member of the dean’s management team, she will bring the same compassion, accessibility, thoughtful guidance and excellent judgment to this new role in ways that will surely benefit the students and faculty of this great university.”

—JoAnne A. Epps, Executive Vice President and Provost

Esten, who earned a law degree at Yale, has a family rich in ties to the legal community and to Temple. Her father, Judge Francis J. Catania ’49, who died in 2010, sat on the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas bench from 1963 to 1990 where he was president judge for a number of years, and was an honorary life trustee of Temple University. Esten’s brother, Francis J. Catania Jr., is on the faculty at Widener University’s Delaware Law School. Esten’s husband Doug, with whom she has raised three children, Anna (25), Will (23), and Elizabeth (20), is a 1996 graduate of Temple Law’s evening division.

Esten did not leap immediately into the law after graduating from Middlebury College in 1980. Perhaps presaging the two interests that she combined at Temple Law, she worked first as a paralegal and then moved into teaching and admissions at a private school in New Hampshire. When Esten elected to enter law school, she was accepted at Yale. At Yale, she was selected by Professor Drew S. Days III—later Solicitor General of the U.S.—as his teaching assistant. Immediately after law school, Esten spent five years as an associate at Day, Berry & Howard in Hartford, CT, where she was a member of the real estate department.

Twenty-five years at Temple Law

In 1991, Esten was recruited to Temple Law by then-dean Robert J. Reinstein to serve as the assistant dean for admissions and financial aid. Subsequently she served as assistant dean for admissions, financial aid and student affairs from 1995 to 2008, and then rose to the position of dean for students.

During her tenure at Temple Law, Esten earned a reputation for being extraordinarily accessible to students. In 2008, the Association of American Law Schools honored her with the organization’s Peter N. Kutulakos Award for her distinguished service to law students. When Esten won this award, Reinstein said, “One of the best decisions I made was to hire Marylouise Esten. She has been a tremendous asset to Temple Law School and through her efforts has made our students, her colleagues and, in turn, the law school a better place.”

Professor Richard Greenstein, who chaired the faculty’s administrative committee—the body which considers student petitions for exemption from academic regulations, readmission after dismissal, and correction of grading errors—said, “She has a critical but rare quality: the ability to see simultaneously what is in both the student’s and the institution’s best interests. Her compassion runs deep, and she has been able to maintain it for over a decade on the job.”

Esten will assist Interim Dean Gregory Mandel in the transition to her successor. “Weegie has been a remarkable member of the Temple Law School community for 25 years. She has touched the lives of so many of our students, faculty, and staff,” says Mandel.

“Weegie has always been a pleasure to work with. I know I speak for everyone at the law school in saying that we will miss working with her every day and wish her all the best in her new position.”
On June 15, 2016, Professor Duncan Hollis had just completed a 32-hour journey, arriving in Melbourne Australia to teach as a senior fellow at Melbourne Law School, when he got the news: While he was flying, 26 states voted in the general assembly of the Organization of American States (OAS) to elect him to the Inter-American Juridical Committee (IJC). Set up under the OAS charter, the IJC consists of 11 members elected from among the organization's 34 member states.

Hollis' extensive travel experience will serve him well in his new position. Although the OAS is headquartered in Washington, DC, the IJC's home is in Rio de Janeiro. It meets twice a year for two to three weeks, and Professor Hollis will serve a four-year term.

Under the OAS charter, the committee on which Hollis serves advises the general assembly and its member states on a wide variety of international law matters. In the past, it has drafted treaties on topics such as terrorism and the anti-corruption cooperation that have become key areas for inter-American cooperation. The IJC's work also involves adopting model laws, best practices, and various reports that states can use to address issues ranging from electronic commerce to transnational litigation involving sovereign states.

"In my new role, I'm hoping to get the committee to focus on the pressing need for global action on cybersecurity. For example, I'd like to explore whether there are ways to improve transnational law enforcement cooperation against cybercrime; today's requests for assistance can take months when cybercriminals can act in milliseconds. We need to even the playing field."

Hollis' work is not, however, limited to the OAS. A member of the American Society of International Law's Executive Council, he's also an adviser on treaty issues for the American Law Institute's ongoing efforts to draft a Fourth Restatement on U.S. Foreign Relations Law. Recently, Professor Hollis joined the Carnegie Endowment on International Peace as a non-resident scholar to do work on ensuring greater resilience against cybersecurity risks. For the last three years, he has been part of a team headed by research scientists from MIT's Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Laboratory under a U.S. Department of Defense "Minerva" Grant. Together, they've studied how norms emerge and spread in cyberspace. His work culminated in July 2016 with a lead article in the American Journal of International Law, Constructing Norms for Global Cybersecurity, which he co-authored with political scientist Martha Finnemore. Hollis is now preparing to edit a second edition of his widely-used Oxford Guide to Treaties, first published in 2012, and the recipient of the 2015 American Society of International Law's book award for high technical craftsmanship and utility to practicing lawyers.

Next year, he will join Professor Allen Weiner of Stanford Law School in editing a new edition of one of the leading textbooks on International Law.

"I seem to have a lot of balls in the air these days," Hollis says, "but I cannot complain about having so many opportunities to work on important international legal issues like cybersecurity or the future of treaty-making."

Hollis, who earned a Masters in Law and Diplomacy from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, and a J.D. from Boston College, has taught at Temple Law since 2004. He was named Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in 2010 and became the James E. Beasley Professor of Law in 2012.
HENRY RICHARDSON IS FIRST AMERICAN AWARDED ASIL LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP

In 2016, Professor Henry J. Richardson III was named an Honorary Member of the American Society of International Law. He was the first American scholar to achieve that status. Since 2014, Richardson has also held a prestigious position on the board of editors of the American Journal of International Law.

Richardson’s achievements in international law began upon graduation from Yale Law School in 1966, when he served as international legal adviser to the government of Malawi. For nearly three years, Richardson advised the newly independent state on inherited treaties and a range of international legal negotiations and questions. He returned to the U.S. to become Faculty Africanist at Law at the University of California at Los Angeles, where he earned an LL.M degree with a focus on international law and development in Africa.

From 1971 to 1977, Richardson was the first African American faculty member at the Indiana University Law School at Bloomington, before leaving to join the National Security Council staff in the White House in charge of African policy and United Nations issues in President Carter's administration. Richardson’s subsequent positions included foreign policy adviser to the Congressional Black Caucus and attorney in the Office of General Counsel of the Department of Defense.

Along with other professional work, Richardson is a longtime member—and activist—in the American Society of International Law (ASIL), an organization of attorneys, academics, judges, students, and others with expertise in international law from all over the world. In 1985, he led, along with others, the successful campaign for the society to divest its portfolio of South African-related stocks. In 1986 and 1987, he co-directed a study on women and minorities in international law. He also created the Goler Butcher Medal, the only award the society gives in International human rights law. From 1990 to 1992, Richardson served as ASIL vice president, and in 2009 he was nominated to a three-year term as a counselor to the executive council. Most recently, he was a founding member of the Blacks in ASIL, a task force launched in 2014 to increase the number and influence of Blacks in the organization and in international law generally.

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OCTOBER 7, 2016 Temple International and Comparative Law Journal hosted a festschrift focusing on the life and work of pioneering legal scholar Henry J. Richardson III. A festschrift—literally translated to mean a feast of writing—is a collection of articles or essays contributed by many authors in honor of a colleague. The resulting volume, in this case an issue of the Temple International and Comparative Law Journal, is often published in conjunction with the presentation of the scholarly work.

The festschrift was a daylong symposium honoring the international legal scholar who joined the Temple Law faculty in 1981. Four years later, in 1985, Richardson co-founded, with the late Professor John Lindsey, the Temple International and Comparative Law Journal. He remains a faculty adviser to the journal, and has published eleven articles in its pages.

Richardson is recognized in the field of international law for his analysis of the relationship between international law and African Americans and Africans, including the anti-apartheid movement, development, and self-determination, as well as the international protection of human rights. He was a pioneer in the interpretation of international law through critical race theory; has played an important role in developing Third World Approaches to International Law (TWAIL) theory; and has been a leader in opening the American Society of International Law to equity for people and issues of color.

OCTOBER 2016  Jon Smollen has been named the inaugural director of the Temple Law Center for Compliance and Ethics, which was founded in 2015 to expand Temple’s focus in the emerging and complex field of compliance.

Smollen, who has been an adviser to the center since its inception, has worked in a range of industry and government leadership positions at the forefront of compliance issues, most recently as Executive Vice President and Chief Compliance Officer for Endo International. Prior to Endo, his positions included Chief Privacy Officer for Wyeth Pharmaceuticals and Chief Compliance Officer for Siemens Healthcare U.S.

Before entering the private sector, Smollen held a number of positions at the Federal Trade Commission, where he played a significant role in the agency’s efforts to establish and enforce privacy regulations and laws.

“We’re excited that Jon Smollen has agreed to join Temple Law and lead the Temple Law Center for Compliance and Ethics,” says Interim Dean Gregory N. Mandel. “His wealth of experience in the public and private sectors will be instrumental in implementing our vision for the center as a forum for regulators and industry leaders to have a meaningful dialogue on the compliance and ethical issues that today’s companies and organizations face.”

Smollen agrees with Mandel on the importance of the center’s initiatives to foster public-private sector dialogues and educate compliance professionals, lawyers and business executives through continuing education programs, roundtables and speaker events. “I’ve always believed that an effective and sustainable approach to ethics and compliance is built through partnership and a meaningful understanding of perspectives. The opportunity to lead a center that aims to facilitate these types of discussions is very exciting.”

The center’s compliance curriculum includes courses on drug and medical device law, U.S. healthcare fraud and abuse, international compliance, and environmental compliance. Planned classes will focus on investigations, corruption law, financial services and privacy, and the center’s experiential learning programs will be expanded to place students in a variety of companies and industries.

In the spring and fall of 2017, the center plans to partner with other law schools to host public events on international law and corporate governance and compliance. The center will also sponsor a series of small roundtables with current or former regulators.

“The Compliance Center will address the incredible demand for compliance professionals that has emerged over the last decade,” Smollen says. “We aim to help our students understand and prepare for careers in compliance through courses, educational activities, and experiential learning.”

Jules Epstein named to Third Circuit task force on eyewitness IDs

SEPTEMBER 2016  Director of Advocacy Programs Jules Epstein has been appointed to the Third Circuit task force on eyewitness identifications by Chief Judge Theodore McKee. Epstein, who has been working on eyewitness testimony issues for nearly a decade, is the only law professor among the 17 members of the group.

The Task Force is an outgrowth of a recent en banc decision in which Judge McKee wrote a lengthy concurrence about problems of mistaken identification, citing (among other resources) previous work by Epstein. The task force is charged with “making recommendations . . . to promote reliable practices for eyewitness identification and to effectively deter unnecessarily suggestive identification procedures, which raise the risk of a wrongful conviction.”

The risk of eyewitness error has been a focus of social justice groups since at least 1996, when the National Institute of Justice published Convicted by Juries, Exonerated by Science. This publication assessed the first 26 DNA exonerations and highlighted that several were cases with eyewitness testimony as the basis for the jury finding of guilt in which the DNA evidence showed the eyewitnesses to be wrong.

Epstein’s commitment to the issue has led him to serve on the Pennsylvania commission on wrongful convictions, and to testify as an expert witness on eyewitness error and needed reforms. He has also written several book chapters and articles on eyewitness identification. For the past decade, Epstein has conducted trainings on eyewitness-related issues nationally and regionally for judges, prosecutors, defense counsel, and police.
1970s


ELISSA WELLIKSON ’77 has retired after working as a Navy lawyer, litigation associate and high tech in house general counsel. She recently wrote a novel, Lawyer: Lie, Pants on Fire, in which the main character, Rachel Goodman, “navigates her way through courtrooms, barrooms and the world, finds out about the Navy, Navy SEALs, San Miguel beer, and gains perspective into affairs of the heart. Rachel has lots of growing up to do and lots of new experiences are in store. If only she can survive without becoming just another lawyer joke.”

In August 2016, Duane Morris partner BEATRICE O’DONNELL ’78 was named co-director of the American Bar Association section of litigation’s sixth division for 2016-2017. She was previously the ABA woman advocate co-chair and past co-chair of the ABA mass torts committee. O’Donnell was also recently appointed to the board of directors of the Forum of Executive Women. At Duane Morris, O’Donnell focuses her practice on health effects litigation.

Fox Rothschild announced that managing partner MARK SILOW ’78 is stepping down as managing partner to become chairman, effective April 2017. Silow presided over the growth of the firm from 250 lawyers when he took over in 2004 to 750 lawyers distributed across 22 offices across the country. The firm was ranked as the 85th largest U.S. law firm as measured by revenue in 2015. Silow will continue to oversee strategic growth for the firm, working on laterals and mergers.

ELLEN F. KANDELL ’82, the president of Alternative Resolutions, wrote a chapter of Mediation for Estate Planners: Managing Family Conflict, published by the ABA in 2016.

MARC STEPHEN RASPANTI ’84 was the 2016 recipient of the Beccaria Award, presented by the Justinian Society and the Philadelphia Bar Association’s criminal justice section in November. Raspanti is a named partner of Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bozzick & Raspanti in Philadelphia.

MARY T. VIDAS ’84, a partner at Blank Rome in the firm’s matrimonial and family law group, has been elected chair of the American Bar Association’s section of family law. Vidas has been active in the ABA since 1993, serving the section in various officer positions as well as co-chair of the diversity committee; chair of the taxation and bankruptcy committees, and the scope and membership committee; and a member of the continuing legal education committee.

BARRY L. KLEIN ’85 has joined the Philadelphia office of Chamberlain Hrdlicka. Previously, Klein was a partner at Blank Rome, where he chaired the firm’s employee benefits and executive compensation practice.

ALAN H. ZUCKERMAN ’85 has been named managing shareholder and chief operating officer at Hastedt Greenberg in Cherry Hill, N.J., effective January 2017. Zuckerman, who is both an attorney and certified public accountant, was previously the chair of the corporate and tax departments.

1980s

In October 2016, Gov. Brian Sandoval appointed ANN PONGRACZ ’80 as a permanent member of the Nevada Public Utilities Commission. Pongracz has served as special counsel with the Nevada attorney general’s office with duties related to the Colorado River Commission and the Governor’s Office of Economic Development.

LAWRENCE ATKINS ’86 recently published Skewed: A Critical Thinker’s Guide to Media Bias, in which he describes the goals of advocacy journalism. He writes: “This book will show you how to separate the facts from the agenda-driven spin and selective presentation often used by such news sources as Fox and MSNBC.” Atkins, who has taught journalism courses at Temple as an adjunct professor since 2003, also published Larry the Liberal Lawyer Lashes Out in 2005.

JEFFREY B. MCCARRON ’87, a partner at the Philadelphia firm of Swartz Campbell, recently presented a CLE on the topic of avoiding legal malpractice. McCarron chairs the management committee and the professional liability group of Swartz Campbell.

In July 2016, Montgomery County, PA family lawyer LORI K. SHMOTOB ’87 was inducted as president of the Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. She had been a fellow of the AAML for 13 years, a status held by 66 lawyers in Pennsylvania. Shmotob also recently presented at a continuing legal education seminar on the discoverability of attorney–expert communications in Pennsylvania. She is a founding partner of the family law firm of Shmotob Law.

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Kevin Harden ’10 to head Philadelphia Barristers

SEPTEMBER 2016 Trail attorney KEVIN HARDEN JR. ’10 was installed as the new president of the Barristers’ Association of Philadelphia, an organization for African-American lawyers in Philadelphia.

“The Barristers’ Association of Philadelphia plays an imitable role as an advocate for African-American attorneys and the communities from which they come,” says Harden. “It is the highest privilege to lead a group of lawyers so dedicated to community service and shouldering the disproportionate burdens faced by blacks in the American legal system.”

A former prosecutor, Harden is a trial attorney with Eckert Seamans Cherlin & Mellott, where he defends corporations and individuals in white-collar criminal investigations, civil and commercial litigation.

Prior to joining Eckert Seamans in 2014, Harden directed investigations as a lead prosecutor assigned to a organized crime task force created by the Philadelphia District Attorney’s Office. Throughout his time at the District Attorney’s Office, he prosecuted violent crimes such as attempted murder, rape, aggravated assault by vehicle, child sexual abuse, drug trafficking and non-fatel shootings.

A native of West Philadelphia, Harden was educated in Philadelphia’s public school system and earned a bachelor’s degree from the Kutztown University. Outside his law practice, Harden volunteers as a reading mentor with Philadelphia Reads and as a self-defense instructor for domestic violence victims and teenage girls in his role as a co-captain of the Philadelphia National Karate Team.

Santa Barbara Channel. Foret is also a member and the outside general counsel of an alternative energy startup with a patent portfolio that revolves around the use of plasma to treat liquid and solid waste.

GRACE M. DEON ’92 was elected president of the Bucks County (PA) Bar Association for 2016 after serving as president-elect in 2015. Deon is a shareholder and member of Eastburn and Gray, where her practice focuses on employment, commercial and special education litigation.

This fall, ERIC LECHTIN ’91 spoke at the National Consumer Law Center’s annual consumer rights litigation conference on the topic, “Practical Strategies for Dealing with Daubert Motions in Consumer Litigation,” and at the annual Consumer Class Action Symposium on the topic, “Settlement Tenders After the Supreme Court’s Opinion in Campbell-Ewald v.Gomez.”

Lechtin is a shareholder at Berger & Montague in Philadelphia, where his practice focuses on consumer protection and securities fraud class actions.

MARK J. POWELL, LLM IN TRIAL ADVOCACY ’98, has been recertified as a Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy. Only three percent of all attorneys nationwide are board-certified by the NBTA. Powell is a partner at Powell Law in Scranton, PA.

Blank Rome partner LAWRENCE S. CHANE ’88 received the Edward N. Polisher Award from the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia in September 2016, in honor of his distinguished service to the Jewish Federation’s endowment programs. Upon receiving the award, Chane noted that his involvement as a Jewish communal leader was inspired by a 1993 Jewish Federation mission to Germany, Poland, and Israel, where he met the award’s namesake, Ed Polisher, age 91 at the time. Chane is the chair of Blank Rome’s tax, benefits, and private client practice in Philadelphia.

PAMELA NORLEY ’88 has been appointed president of the Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund, an independent public charity. Norley assumed that position after holding several leadership positions at Fidelity Investments in Boston. She also serves on the boards of several nonprofits including Points of Light, the Board of Advisors for Greater Boston Food Bank, and the Board of Overseers for Boston Ballet. Norley is a member of the board of visitors at Beasley School of Law.

JOSEPH STOLL ’89 has been elected to the board of the Family Service Association of Bucks County. Stoll, a managing director and relationship manager at Glenmede Trust Company in Philadelphia, has served the community as a board member of the Council Rock Baseball Association and as a program coordinator at the Philadelphia Senior Center.

1990s

Randall M. Foret ’95 has joined Kennedy Law in the firm’s Houston, TX office. For the past 15 years, Foret has focused his practice on securities-related litigation, including class action and regulatory matters, and oil and gas related disputes. Before attending law school, he was a drilling fluids engineer on a variety of land-based and offshore drilling vessels located in the Gulf of Mexico and the
2000s

HON. DANIEL R. SULMAN ’00 was nominated to the Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas by Governor Tom Wolf and confirmed by the Pennsylvania Senate. Sulman, who is presently assigned to the domestic relations branch of the Philadelphia Family Court, is the son of Temple Law graduate PAUL D. SULMAN ’58 and Gloria Sulman.

SCOTT SIGMAN ’02 has joined the Philadelphia firm of A. Charles Peruto, Jr., where he will practice in the areas of criminal defense, civil litigation, and drug forfeiture. Sigman has served on the executive board of the Temple Law Alumni Association and as a member of the Philadelphia Bar Association’s board of governors.

JOSEPH F. KAMPHERSTEIN ’02 has joined Capehart Scatchard in its Mt. Laurel, NJ office. Kampherstein, who previously worked as an associate at Weber Gallagher Simpson Fires & Newby, focuses his practice on general litigation with a concentration on tort defense matters.

MICHAEL J. STINE ’04, the chief public defender of Schuylkill County, PA, is currently vice president of the Public Defender Association of PA. Earlier this year, he presented the association’s highest award to former professor Fred Goodman, a longtime adjunct professor in the trial advocacy program.

AMY T. BROOKS ’05 recently presented on the topic of “Ethics: Divorce/Custody Issues” at the Pennsylvania Bar Institute’s 2016 Exceptional Children’s Conference. Brooks is a partner at Wissler Pearlstone in Blue Bell, PA, where her practice focuses on advising school administrators regarding legal issues in student services and special education.

MATTHEW P. FARANDA-DIEDRICH ’06 is joining Royer Cooper Cohen Braunfeld’s Philadelphia office as a partner in the litigation practice. Faranda-Diedrich leaves Dilworth Paxson, where he was a partner in the litigation department and co-chair of the plaintiff’s rights practice group.

SARAH A. E. FRASCH ’06 was recently named Chief Deputy Attorney General by Pennsylvania Attorney General Bruce R. Beemer. Frasch served as a deputy attorney general, and in more recent years as a senior deputy attorney general, in the Bureau of Consumer Protection.

The Mt. Vernon, IL Housing Authority has hired GLORIA WILLIAMS, LL.M ’08, as its new executive director. Williams was most recently deputy executive director for the Champaign County, IL, Housing Authority.

MICHELLE BUCK ’00 has joined the Office of Equity and Diversity at the University of Tennessee as a Title IX/EEO investigator. Buck previously served as the assistant director of academic success and student affairs at Mercer University School of Law in Macon, GA.

2010s

JAMES GOODLEY, LLM IN TRIAL ADVOCACY ’13, has joined the Philadelphia office of the class action law firm of Berger Montague. Goodley has worked at the U.S. Department of Labor, Employee Benefits Security Administration, focusing on ERISA issues, and as a litigator at an ERISA law firm.

BEN C. FABENS-LASSEN ’15 and NICOLE LEACH ’15 have both joined the litigation services department of Schnader’s Philadelphia office. Fabens-Lassen previously clerked for the Hon. Paul S. Diamond, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Leach, who prior to practicing law was a professional track and field athlete, competed in the 2016 U.S. Olympic trials.

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Henry H. Skillman ’54
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