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Dear Alumni and Friends,

We are accustomed to UC College of Law professors receiving praise for their scholarly work, teaching excellence, leadership and service. There are 32 talented and accomplished men and women on our full-time faculty, and they make marks.

What you may not know is these professors drew national attention recently for their philanthropy. For the money they gave and the good those dollars will do.

Our professors came together to establish a scholarship fund at the College which, thanks to their generous giving, exceeds $40,000 — money dedicated to helping UC law students better afford their education and pursue their ambitions.

What this initiative says is as important as what it does. It is an expression of the empathy that faculty hold for their students and the tough challenges they face. Today’s lawyers-in-training accrue sizable loans to finance their educations, and that debt looms larger when a tight employment market is insisting on exceptional persistence and patience. It is hard and stressful. Our professors are moved by it and want to help. Not just professionally, but personally.

Admiration — of the students, by the faculty — is part of the story too. Students who enter the College of Law today arrive with spirit and ideals that accord with our profession at its best. Our students know full well that the road ahead of them is difficult. They embark with a sense of purpose, of vocation, to learn law well in order to make a difference. It is inspiring to see and inspires support.

Also at work here is a value that has been fundamental to the College’s success for generations. When we take pride in being a premier small law school, we call to mind an academic community that is committed to strong, supportive relationships that help good individuals become outstanding professionals. The kind of powerful, formative relationships between professor and student that Victor Schwartz, to name one illustrious faculty member in the College’s long history, is famous for. Indeed, Professor Schwartz’s students will never forget the positive impact he made on their lives, and they have expressed their appreciation to him by establishing a new Chair in Tort Law that bears his name.

What Professor Schwartz — as well as his successors here on the faculty today — would tell you is that the privilege of forging exemplary relationships with students — to play an active role in helping students achieve their calling — is rewarding beyond measure and honor enough.

With all best wishes,

Louis D. Bilionis
Dean and Nippert Professor of Law
Over two years ago on March 23, 2010, President Barack Obama signed into law the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA). Together with the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act, this bill represents one of the most significant regulatory overhauls of the U.S. healthcare system. Controversial from its inception, this bill put in place comprehensive health insurance reforms that will roll out over a period of years.

Almost immediately opponents of the PPACA — organizations and law makers — turned to the courts to challenge the constitutionality of the legislation. Indeed, a total of 28 states filed joint or individual lawsuits to overturn the individual mandate portions of the law. Many believe that the law was a violation of state sovereignty. Others questioned it as an overreach of the government’s right to tax. Perhaps because of the significance of the legislation, the bill quickly wound through the lower courts to the Supreme Court, where, on June 28, 2012 the Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of most of PPACA in the case National Federation of Independent Business v. Sebelius.

Understandably, this has been a “hot” issue at the College of Law, in the media, in government, and around the country. There are many angles to the topic. Thus, we asked five professionals to provide insight into the topic and give their opinion about the importance and viability of the Act. Guest writers are: Professor Verna Williams, Professor A. Christopher Bryant, Jack Painter, Dr. Thomas Boat, and Col Owens.

What is your opinion of the Affordable Care Act?
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After months of speculation and guesswork, the Supreme Court announced its long awaited decision on the Affordable Care Act (ACA), with a denouement few predicted and some clues as to the implications for federal lawmaking. What appears certain for now is that the states that postponed decisions about how to implement the law awaiting the Court’s final word must now move forward.

What happened?
Instead of leading the conservative justices in striking down the sweeping legislation, Chief Justice Roberts aligned himself with the liberal wing to uphold most of the ACA. The decision’s focus was on two key provisions: the individual mandate, which required virtually all Americans to obtain health insurance; and the expansion of Medicaid, through which states receive federal monies to care for the poor. States expanding Medicaid under the ACA could expect almost full federal reimbursement. But, refusal to comply would result in the complete loss of their federal Medicaid funds. The following briefly explains the Court’s decision and raises a couple of questions about its impact.

The Individual Mandate
Writing alone, Justice Roberts concluded that the Commerce Clause did not authorize Congress to enact the individual mandate. The Government argued that Congress had the power to so act because of the substantial effects uninsured persons have on the economy. But, according to Justice Roberts, the mandate essentially regulated persons not yet in any market, and, if upheld, would set the precedent of untenable federal expansion, such as mandates to buy fuel efficient cars or to purchase healthy food, because of their impact on interstate commerce.

But rather than striking down the provision, Justice Roberts observed that judicial restraint obliged the Court to uphold it because the Tax Power was an alternative and permissible source of congressional authority. According to the Court, the mandate “makes going without insurance just another thing the Government taxes, like buying gasoline or earning income.” (sl. op. at 32) Moreover, the Court observed that the mandate is found in the Internal Revenue Code and will produce some revenue for the Government, [sl. op. at 33] which suggested that despite the label as a “penalty,” it functioned as a tax. Justices Ginsburg, Breyer, Sotomayor, and Kagan agreed and joined this part of the Chief Justice’s opinion.

The Medicaid Expansion
Seven justices also agreed that the Spending Clause did not authorize Congress’s enactment of key aspects of the Medicaid expansion. Namely, the “comply or else” threat amounted to coercion rather than encouragement. In so holding, the Court for the first time has found that the Congress exceeded its spending authority. But, the Court determined that the provision would survive by holding that Congress may not constitutionally implement that penalty. Thus, states may decline to participate in the Medicaid expansion without jeopardizing their federal Medicaid dollars.

The Dissent
Dissenting Justices Kennedy, Scalia, Thomas, and Alito would have struck down the entire ACA. In their view, the individual mandate and the Medicaid expansion exceeded Congress’s authority and since they were essential to the Act’s goal of spreading the risk of insurance, the entire legislative scheme would have to fall without them — major and minor provisions alike.

What Does the Ruling Mean?
For Ohio, as a practical matter, the state must determine how to move forward on such matters like the Medicaid expansion and creating exchanges for health insurance. As for future federal enactments, some have suggested that the ACA decision means more limits to Congress’s power. But if we have learned anything from this case, it is that tea leaf reading is a highly risky proposition. We will have to wait and see.

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The salient constitutional issue in the Affordable Care Act litigation was whether Congress had power to mandate that virtually everyone obtain qualifying healthcare insurance. Throughout the litigation, the principal, and by far most successful, argument for that power was grounded in the constitutional provisions granting Congress authority “to regulate commerce . . . among the several States,” and to “make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying [the power over commerce] into execution.” Few if any expected the Supreme Court to do what it did — reject that argument but nevertheless uphold the mandate on the ground that its sole enforcement mechanism, a monetary penalty, was a permissible “tax” for constitutional purposes. (Likewise, the Court’s ruling that the Act’s Medicaid provisions unconstitutionally coerced the States was a bit of a bolt out of the blue, but that is another story.)

When the lawsuits were filed, the vast majority of constitutional law scholars expected the Court to uphold the mandate as a valid exercise of congressional power over interstate markets in health insurance. Rejecting that argument, the Chief Justice, writing for himself and four other Justices, reasoned that whereas all prior federal commercial statutes had been triggered by some private conduct, the ACA sought for the first time in our history to regulate “inactivity,” i.e. the failure to purchase health insurance. And this difference mattered because under the government’s theory Congress’s power would be virtually unlimited and the Commerce Clause would be converted into “a general license to regulate an individual from cradle to grave.”

Working with a Clean Slate?
Were the slate a clean one, it might be hard to argue with the Chief Justice’s logic. It is axiomatic that Congress is limited to the powers the Constitution grants it, and the Tenth Amendment makes clear that some, presumably significant, powers were “not delegated” to the federal government but were instead “reserved to the States [,] or to the people.” Hence the Court cannot countenance a construction of the Commerce Clause that grants Congress virtually unlimited authority.

But the ACA was not the first federal statute to threaten the reserved powers. While on rare occasions the Court has insisted there must be meaningful limits, far more frequently it has rebuffed the Chief Justice’s syllogism when the Justices like what Congress has done. To be sure, during this period a precious few of the Justices have been unfeeling in their efforts to impose limits on congressional authority, though they have found themselves in dissent more often than not. Consider Clarence Thomas, who in a 2005 dissent wrote: “[o]ne searches the [majority’s] opinion in vain for any hint of what aspect of American life is reserved to the States…. If the majority is to be taken seriously, the Federal Government may now regulate quilting bees, clothes drives, and potluck suppers throughout the 50 States.”

Now that we are all safe from the menace of Commerce Clause purchase mandates, perhaps it is time to reflect upon the security of our quilting bees, clothes drives, and potluck suppers.

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Contrary to popular opinion, the challenge to the constitutionality of the Affordable Care Act was about federal power, not healthcare.

At issue: Can Congress impose an “individual mandate” to require people to purchase health insurance or pay a penalty (or, alternatively, can it impose a tax on being uninsured), and can it induce states to participate in a major Medicaid expansion by threatening to terminate all Medicaid funding if they don’t?

These are important questions. If the federal government can mandate private purchases, it can force A to give money to B without first taxing A and, by logical extension, can impose other intrusive mandates on private conduct. And if it can induce States to participate in federal programs by making them an offer they can’t refuse, it can effectively force State legislatures to raise taxes to fund federal programs.

In an opinion written by Chief Justice Roberts, the Court said:

- The individual mandate exceeds Congress’s power to regulate interstate commerce because it compels commerce instead of regulating it and is not “necessary and proper” for implementing insurance reforms, but the penalty for being uninsured can survive as a “tax” under Congress’s power to “lay and collect Taxes.”
- The Medicaid expansion program exceeds Congress’s spending power because it commandeers the states in violation of the Constitution, but the Court will preserve the program on altered terms by letting states opt-out of it without losing Medicaid funding.

The tax and opt-out decisions were decided 5-4, with Justice Roberts joining the four “liberal” Justices and casting the deciding vote.

The tax decision shocked many observers because it:

- Relies on a theory that was rejected by all the lower courts and received almost no attention in the briefs and oral arguments.
- Ignores precedent and logic to conclude that the “tax” at issue is not a “direct tax,” although the Court did not say what type of tax it is. This avoided a constitutional requirement that direct taxes must be apportioned among the States based on population. Until now, the apportionment requirement applied to taxes other than income taxes, which are direct taxes exempt from apportionment under the Sixteenth Amendment, and excise taxes, which are indirect taxes imposed on activities and products and not subject to apportionment.
- Is analytically weak in saying that taxing your failure to buy health insurance is the same as denying you a tax deduction if you don’t borrow to buy a home. Both create incentives to buy something (i.e., health insurance; houses), but taxes on inactivity can take all your income, while forgoing tax deductions won’t do that unless income tax rates are 100%.

Justice Roberts’ analogy assumes a world in which the federal government has a legitimate claim on all income (and therefore property), an assumption most people would find absurd and morally objectionable.

- Ignores the fact that a tax that applies merely because you exist is different in kind from all other federal taxes, which people can avoid by their choice of activities and property ownership.

The opt-out decision also surprised many observers because it preserves the Medicaid expansion program on altered terms by relying on a severability provision not found in the Affordable Care Act. A State that opts out will now get less Medicaid funding than other States even though its residents pay the same Medicaid payroll taxes.

Many believe (some approvingly) that by re-characterizing the individual mandate as a “tax” and going out of his way to save the Medicaid expansion program, Justice Roberts made a political, not legal, decision under pressure from the administration. Whatever his motivation, the obvious weaknesses in his opinion make that view plausible, which could significantly harm the credibility of the Court and weaken the Constitution.

In any event, the net effect of the decision is expanded federal power. The commerce power and spending power decisions impose important limits on federal power. But the tax decision gives Congress unprecedented power to induce private conduct, including non-economic conduct, by taxing the failure to engage in that conduct. Unless the Court limits that power in the future, it will be the equivalent of the general regulatory “police power” the administration unsuccessfully sought under the commerce power.

At the same time, the expanded taxing power is arguably less of a threat to liberty than an unlimited commerce power. It is enforceable only by monetary exactions, while the commerce power can be enforced by imprisonment, and the Court said those exactions cannot be “punitive”. The Court may also limit future taxes on inactivity to people who owe income taxes, the category of people affected by the individual mandate tax.

Jack Painter, a corporate lawyer, founded Liberty Alliance Cincinnati, a Cincinnati-based tea party group, and is on the board of the Ohio Liberty Coalition, a coalition of over 80 liberty-minded groups throughout Ohio.
On June 28, 2012, the Supreme Court opined favorably on the constitutionality of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA). The Court ruled that the ACA individual mandate was valid under Congress’ power to tax, but the threat to withdraw federal Medicaid contributions to states not expanding the program amounted to coercion, violating the 10th amendment.

After President Obama signed this bill into law in March 2010, benefits were extended to 6 million young adults enrolled on their parents’ insurance plans. Prevention initiatives for seniors and expanded adult Medicaid eligibility in seven early participant states were also implemented. Major pieces of this legislation were scheduled for later implementation or were shelved as several states challenged the constitutionality of key ACA provisions, particularly the requirement that those who could afford health insurance should do so or pay a “penalty,” as well as the mandate for all states to expand Medicaid eligibility or lose their federal contribution to the program. The intent to insure 32 million more Americans through the ACA was dependent on both of these provisions, making it likely that many fewer Americans will become privately or publicly insured.

The Benefits of Systemic Interventions

“Safety net hospitals,” such as Cincinnati’s University Hospital, Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center and other academic medical centers, could benefit from the ACA as many uninsured patients seeking care in these facilities will now have some coverage, although it may still not cover patient costs. Another ACA benefit is that fewer patients will rely on expensive emergency room care, instead entering the primary care system with better continuity and coordination of care and earlier diagnosis, treatment and preventive care. Better health outcomes at a lower cost should follow. While imperfect, the ACA is an important step toward improving the American health care system, which performs poorly when compared to others and is the world’s most expensive.

Incremental legislative improvements or adjustments to the ACA will be required. But will the highly politicized ACA survive long enough in its current form to see whether it performs as anticipated by its creators and can be a platform for ongoing improvement? The November 2012 election will be telling.

The American medical system clearly can benefit from systematic, thoughtful interventions and a legitimate test of these interventions. We cannot accept a national medical care system that fosters disparities in the delivery of care to the disadvantage of a growing segment of our population at the same time increasing costs at an unsustainable rate for both businesses and individuals. Solutions ultimately will be dependent on a bipartisan recognition and will to respond constructively to this important issue facing our nation.

The UC College of Medicine and the UC Health System must also respond by training enough primary care providers to make the ACA work for the larger number of Americans who now will be insured. Graduates of our Colleges of Nursing, Pharmacy and Allied Health Sciences must also be prepared to work in teams with physicians to better promote health and provide responsive and responsible care.

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The Affordable Care Act, the federal health care reform law, will stand in history alongside Medicare, Medicaid and the Civil Rights Act as legislative enactments that re-shape our society in profound and lasting ways. The Supreme Court’s upholding of its constitutionality is of great significance.

But while the Court solved one problem it created another. While holding the individual mandate to buy health insurance constitutional, it ruled that holding states’ total Medicaid funding subject to forfeiture unless they adopt the Medicaid expansion is coercive, and not allowed. With no penalty, the Medicaid expansion becomes essentially voluntary for states.

On its face, the expansion is a good deal for states. It provides a national coverage standard for low-income people, by expanding eligibility for all adults to 133 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL), and children to 200 percent. Currently states set eligibility levels. Ohio parents are eligible to 90 percent FPL and children to 200 percent. Childless adults are not eligible unless they have a disability.

Under the ACA the federal government pays 100 percent of the cost for three years for newly eligible people — in Ohio, parents between 90–133 percent FPL and childless adults below 133 percent. Over the three following years the federal share ratchets down to 90 percent, where it stays. This generous federal match rate compares favorably to Ohio’s current rates of 64 percent for parents and 75 percent for children.

The difficulty arises with respect to those currently eligible for Medicaid but unenrolled. Ohio had 146,000 parents and 108,000 children in this category in 2010. They will be covered at existing match rates, not the new rate. The concern is with the “woodwork” effect, the fear that expansion publicity will bring in large numbers of these persons who would not otherwise enroll.

Identifying Challenges to Medical Expansion

Some challenge this premise, noting that these people are eligible today, that the state’s liability for them is not related to the ACA. Regardless, they do pose a potential unbudgeted cost to the state, of about $325 million under current match rates. Experts believe a reasonable initial “take-up” rate will be 40–70 percent, yielding a cost of about $175 million. Take-up could increase over time.

Eligible parents with employer-based insurance present an unresolved issue. About 58,000 are expected to drop insurance and take up Medicaid, for cost reasons. If treated like eligible but unenrolled parents they could add about $50 million to the cost, for an overall estimate of $225 million.

These are big numbers. But they must be viewed in context. While they indicate the state will need in excess of $1 billion over five years to fund the expansion, experts estimate that over $17 billion federal dollars will come into the state as a result. These monies will provide health coverage for hundreds of thousands of Ohioans while dramatically impacting Ohio’s economy.

So while on its face this billion dollar price-tag may appear daunting, in fact it would pay rich dividends for uninsured Ohioans and Ohio. Ohio should adopt the Medicaid expansion.

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David Ayers  
*Served 11 years of a life sentence*  
*Cleveland, Ohio*

On September 12, 2011, OIP staff attorney Carrie Wood and her team of students walked David Ayers out of a Cleveland courtroom a free man, after he had served 11 years in prison for a murder that he did not commit. The crime involved the brutal rape and murder of an elderly woman in her Cleveland apartment building. Mr. Ayers originally became a suspect because he worked as a security officer in the building. It appeared that whoever attacked the victim had a key to her apartment or some other means of access without having to break in.

In the past few years leading up to the exoneration, Ayers was represented by both the OIP (who handled DNA testing issues) and the Cleveland Public Defenders, who were pursuing legal arguments that the police held back evidence from the defense prior to the trial relating to the unreliability of the key witness. In 2010, after many years of litigation, the OIP was finally successful in getting a court to order DNA testing, which showed that the pubic hair found in the victim’s mouth — the crucial piece of evidence — did not match either the victim or Ayers. Meanwhile, in 2010, the Cleveland Public Defenders were successful in getting a federal court to overturn Ayers’ conviction on grounds that the police had withheld crucial information regarding the snitch.

At that point, all charges were dropped and Ayers was released from prison. Ayers, who had no criminal record prior to being arrested in this case, is currently living in Cleveland, attempting to adjust to life after exoneration, and seeking full-time employment.

Roger Dean Gillispie  
*Served 20 years of a 22-56 year sentence*  
*Dayton, Ohio*

For Christmas 2011, Roger Dean Gillispie of Dayton enjoyed a turkey dinner with his family for the first time in more than 20 years. This occurred after Magistrate Judge Michael Merz, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio, overturned his rape conviction and released him. Gillispie, who had a clean record at the time of his arrest in this case, was convicted in 1992 of abducting three women from public parking lots in broad daylight, taking them to secluded areas, and then raping them. Gillispie’s case was the first case accepted by OIP in January of 2003, and more than 20 law students have worked on his case over the years.

The OIP’s investigation revealed that the original detectives assigned to the case developed evidence of Dean’s innocence, eliminated him as a suspect, and wrote reports containing the reasons why Gillispie could not have committed the offense. These reports disappeared and were never turned over to the defense. The original detectives retired or moved to other departments; a new detective took over the case and arrested Gillispie. The OIP discovered the existence of
the reports only by tracking down and talking to the original detectives many years later. In addition, the OIP developed overwhelming evidence that another man who had committed copycat crimes in the past committed the offenses for which Gillispie was convicted.

Gillispie’s conviction was overturned by a federal court on the grounds that the police violated his due process rights by destroying (or failing to disclose) before trial the written reports that demonstrated his innocence. In April 2012, the 2nd District Court of Appeals in Ohio also overturned Gillispie’s conviction, holding that the new evidence showing that the alternate suspect likely committed this crime would have caused the jury to have acquitted Gillispie had it been presented to the original jury. At this point in time, Gillispie is free on his own recognizance while the State is appealing both of Gillispie’s victories.

**Walter Zimmer**  
*Served 12 years of a 50 year sentence*  
*Cleveland, Ohio*

On April 1, 2011 staff attorney Carrie Wood walked OIP’s long-time client Wally Zimmer out of a courtroom in Cuyahoga County (Cleveland, Ohio) after he served 12 years for a murder that DNA evidence proved he did not commit.

Zimmer and his co-defendant Thomas Siller were originally convicted in 1999 of murdering an elderly woman in her home. The conviction was based primarily on snitch testimony. The snitch, originally indicted as the sole perpetrator of the crime, wiggled his way out of responsibility for the murder by convincing the police that he did not commit the crime, but instead witnessed Zimmer and Siller do it.

DNA testing of the pants worn by the snitch on the day of the murder revealed the victim’s blood droplets in various locations on the pants. Next, DNA testing ordered by the prosecutors of the cloth bindings used to tie the victim came back showing the presence of the snitch’s DNA. This evidence corroborated Zimmer and Siller’s defense, and showed that the snitch had been lying at trial.

After the DNA results came back in March 2011, the prosecutors offered to release Zimmer immediately if he pled guilty to a theft charge in exchange for having the murder charges dropped. Zimmer took the deal. He was released and prosecutors dismissed the murder charges.
Glenn Tinney

**Sentenced to life in prison, which he is still serving at this time**

Mansfield, Ohio

On March 25, 2011, the OIP received news that a court in Mansfield, Ohio had thrown out the murder conviction of longtime OIP client Glenn Tinney. Tinney, who suffers from severe mental illness, confessed and pleaded guilty in 1992 to the 1988 murder of a small business owner in his store even though no evidence connected him to the crime. Tinney’s “confession” included 65 facts that diverged from the actual facts of the case, including a claim that he stole the victim’s wallet and jewelry (the victim’s wallet and jewelry were still on his body when he was found), he hit the victim with a wrench from behind (the victim was hit from the front and medical experts stated a wrench could not have been the murder weapon), and that he worked in the store as an employee of the victim (the facts showed that Tinney never worked in the store). After his “confession,” Tinney was unable to describe the victim or identify him from a photo lineup, even though Tinney claimed to have worked for the victim for years. Several experts, including Richard Leo and UC’s own Scott Bresler, analyzed the case and opined that Tinney’s confession was likely false and a product of his mental illness. In addition, the victim’s wife and the police department that investigated the case supported and continue to support the OIP’s effort to free Tinney.

After Tinney’s conviction was overturned, the prosecutors appealed. The court of appeals ruled in December 2011 that the trial court should not have granted Tinney’s motion to throw out his conviction based solely on witness affidavits, but should have granted the prosecutors a hearing to cross-examine Tinney’s experts and other witnesses. Thus, although the court of appeals did not overturn the OIP’s victory for Tinney, it did remand the case to the trial court for an evidentiary hearing. OIP is confident their victory will hold up.

Teddy Moseley

**Sentenced to 11 years in prison and granted clemency after serving 10 years**

Scioto County, Ohio

In 2007, the OIP submitted a letter in support of Teddy Moseley’s request for executive clemency. In 2000, Moseley was convicted of two counts of aggravated vehicular assault and three counts of involuntary manslaughter after a jury found that he was driving at the time of a horrible car accident. The exact cause of the accident remains unknown, but whatever the cause, Moseley’s car spun out of control, crossed the center line and struck a minivan. Shortly after his conviction, three emergency responders and two civilian witnesses came forward indicating that they could have provided testimony at Moseley’s trial to support his claim that he was the backseat passenger. None of the witnesses were ever contacted by the police, despite the police’s knowledge of their presence at the scene. Also, Moseley’s defense attorney failed to seek out statements from witnesses who would have bolstered the defense’s theory. Despite this new evidence, the appellate court concluded that such testimony was merely cumulative and the failure to present such testimony was a result of the inconsequential incompetence of his defense lawyer. Former Governor Ted Strickland ultimately granted clemency to Moseley, and he was released from prison in December 2010.

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One thing is certain — the cost of a law degree is increasingly expensive. The legal profession has been dramatically transformed in the last few decades and law schools have needed to respond to a number of factors, including technology, globalization, and a change in teaching methods to better prepare students for the practice of law. These endeavors have all contributed to making the study of law more expensive than ever before. Consequently, the need for continued scholarship support to help law students afford a legal education is critical.

The College of Law is very grateful for the support of our alumni and friends who have recently established or donated to student scholarship funds.

Robert ’77 and Laura Fogarty endowed the Fogarty Scholarship Fund to assist deserving northeastern Ohio students to attend UC Law. “UC is dear to our lives. Laura and I met there as undergraduate students 38 years ago. The Law School gave me a great legal education and the foundation to succeed as a trial lawyer. We feel blessed by our association with UC and fortunate that we are able to give back to assist future law students.”

Likewise, law students will benefit from a very significant investment by William M. Junk ’46 in the Miami Undergraduate Scholarship Fund. In 2000, Mr. Junk, along with Harry Wilks ’50 and Lloyd O’Hara ’42, established this fund to support UC Law students who received their undergraduate degree from Miami University (Ohio). His son Bill ’79 said, “I have heard my father say many times that his years at UC Law were the most important of his life.”

A new home for the College of Law

A new building for the College of Law is critical for supporting legal education in this changing world. Tom Cuni ’75 and his wife Sally believe strongly in that goal and made a generous capital gift to the campaign.

“The education I received at the College of Law taught me a method of analysis and reasoning which has served me well throughout my career in the legal profession. As time passed I became more and more appreciative of the value of what I had been taught as a law student. Both Sally and I want to help the College of Law continue to provide the excellent service it provides to the profession and to the community. A new building is essential to that mission.”

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University of Cincinnati College of Law Establishes the Victor E. Schwartz Chair in Tort Law

The University of Cincinnati College of Law has established the Victor E. Schwartz Chair in Tort Law to be dedicated to teaching and scholarship in the field of torts. The chair is named for renowned Washington DC lawyer and beloved former University of Cincinnati College of Law professor and dean, Victor E. Schwartz, in honor of his career as a teacher, scholar, and practicing attorney in the field of tort law.

Mr. Schwartz, a partner in the Washington DC office of law firm Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP, chairs its Public Policy Group. His practice is the first to integrate litigation, government affairs, and public relations. Mr. Schwartz and his public policy group prepare amicus briefs and help develop federal and state legislation that is intended to improve the civil justice system.

Prior to entering the full-time practice of law, Mr. Schwartz served as chair of the Federal Inter-Agency Task Force on Product Liability at the Department of Commerce and the Federal Inter-Agency Council on Insurance. He is the principal author of the Uniform Product Liability Act. He received the Secretary of Commerce’s Award for Professional Excellence for his work.

Attorneys and law students alike recognize him as co-author of “Prosser, Wade & Schwartz’s Torts,” the most widely used casebook in the nation, which is now in its 12th edition. He authors the leading text, “Comparative Negligence.” Mr. Schwartz is the author of more than 150 law review articles addressing almost every major aspect of modern tort law and the administration of justice in civil litigation. Mr. Schwartz is a Life Member of the American Law Institute (ALI). He is an advisor for each of the Restatement (Third) of Torts projects; Products Liability, Apportionment of Liability, and Liability for Physical Injury and Emotional Harm.

Well-known by print and broadcast media, Mr. Schwartz has provided legal analysis and insight for newspapers such as The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post, and The New York Times, along with appearances on 60 Minutes, Oprah, and network news programs. He is the recipient of numerous honors, including being listed as a Washington DC Super Lawyer for several years, being named one of Washington DC’s Top 30 “Visionary” lawyers of the past 30 years (The Legal Times), and being named one of the 100 most influential lawyers in the United States (The National Law Journal).

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College of Law Announces Launch of LLM Program in U.S. Legal System

Six foreign-trained attorneys are now students in the inaugural program

The University of Cincinnati College of Law has launched its LLM program on the U.S. Legal System, a one-year program designed specifically for foreign-trained practicing attorneys and law school graduates. It will provide a substantive introduction to the U.S. legal process and will allow students to develop knowledge in areas of study relevant to their legal practice. Six attorneys from Armenia, Brazil, Jamaica, Jordan, and Nigeria are participating in this inaugural year.

Others may seek to further legal reform movements in their home countries using new knowledge gained through their experiences in the program. Some may already be living in the U.S. and wish to practice law here.

All students, however, will gain the skills and knowledge necessary for more effective relationships with U.S. lawyers, business executives, and other U.S. parties. The program is expected to be particularly valuable for non-U.S. lawyers who want to better represent their U.S. clients, partner with U.S. lawyers in the representation of those clients, and negotiate or litigate opposite U.S. parties.

We’re excited to announce the launch of the LLM program. We are eager to welcome students from around the world to the program also. It will expose our JD students to legal cultures around the world, extend our global reach, and enrich the dialogue at the College of Law.

– College of Law’s Dean Louis Bilionis

Anatomy of the LLM Student

Some of the students in the program will be attorneys practicing law in other countries who will return to their home countries better prepared to represent clients who have regular business dealings with U.S. companies or government agencies.

Enriching the Law School Environment

The LLM program will enrich the educational and scholarly environment for both students and faculty at the College. Because LLM students will take classes with students in the JD program, all will benefit from developing a better understanding of the global context in which law is practiced today.

To earn the degree LLM students will complete at least 24 credit hours, including three required courses: Introduction to Law, a high-level introduction to the study of law, the foundations of law, and the profession of law in the U.S.; The U.S. Legal System, advanced study of the critical features of the U.S. legal tradition; and Legal Research and Writing for LLM Students, specific preparation for the written communication, research, and persuasion skills needed in law school and practice. Additionally, the College of Law will provide opportunities for practical interaction between LLM students and local practitioners.

The LLM program is advised by the following board members: Paul Allaer, Thompson Hine LLP; Harvey Jay Cohen, Dinsmore & Shohl LLP; Joseph Dehner, Frost Brown Todd LLC; Richard La Jeunesse, Graydon Head & Ritchey LLP; Bradley Kaplan, Ulmer & Berne; Robert J. Miller, Jones Day; Walter Spiegel, Standard Textile Co., Inc.; Mark Stall, International Paper Company, Xpedx Division; M. Catherine Vernon, Formica Corporation; Barbara J. Wagner, Salmon P. Chase College of Law; and Ross Wales, Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP.
MEET THE LLM CLASS OF 2013

Jumana Yunis: A native of Jordan, Ms. Yunis hails from a family of attorneys. After practicing law for several years in her home country, she came to the United States to further her knowledge of the U.S. legal system. Since she has been here, she has also received a degree in non-profit management.

Felicia Otisi Omoji: Originally from Nigeria, Ms. Omoji worked as a lawyer in the financial industry prior to becoming a banker. She then worked in private practice for several years before moving to the United States with her family.

Mkrtich “Miko” Eminyan: From Armenia, Mr. Eminyan is a former captain in the Armenian Armed Forces. An entrepreneur with a business in the transportation field, he also works as a legal assistant at a downtown law firm.

Nerissa Harvey: A former sales representative for a pharmaceutical company, Ms. Harvey, from Jamaica, spent her days selling pharmaceutical supplies to medical professionals. She so impressed her colleagues that they encouraged her to try law school. After completing her LLB she moved to the U.S. with her family. Ms. Harvey feels the LLM experience will give her additional exposure to the US legal system.

Ovenseri “Ven” Ogbebor: Also from Nigeria, Mr. Ogbebor worked as a corrections officer for 14 years in his home country. After obtaining his law degree, he moved to the United States with his family.

Marcelo Mantovani: From Brazil, Mr. Mantovani has had the opportunity to live in Cincinnati for several years. After learning the language, he began to work as an assistant in a law office specializing in immigration issues. He has also opened his own consulting practice, specializing in Brazilian law. He advises local clients on Brazilian law and connects them with his network of Brazilian contacts.
Professors New Books Examine Presidential Politics, 19th Century Writers, Client Counseling and Mental Health

From the economic performance of presidents and political parties to legal advocacy of nineteenth-century women writers, four College of Law professors have recently published insightful books covering a range of legal research, issues, and theories. We invite you to read the brief summaries of their new works and perhaps take a longer look for your fall reading.

Client Science: Advice for Lawyers on Counseling Clients through Bad News and Other Legal Realities

Book examines the science behind client counseling

Author: Marjorie Corman Aaron, professor of Practice and director of the Center for Practice.

Professor Aaron’s book, “Client Science: Advice for Lawyers on Counseling Clients through Bad News and Other Legal Realities,” provides advice and insight to attorneys on how to more effectively communicate with their clients, particularly regarding legal realities and difficult decisions. In her book she discusses the challenges of both delivering bad news and handling difficult conversations, with the end goal of creating better-informed, more satisfied clients. Using social science research and drawing upon her experience honed from years as a professor and mediator, Aaron offers specific suggestions relevant to legal practice and counseling. For example, she discusses ordering, timing, phrasing, and types of explanations, as well as “personal style” adjustments (voice, gesture, and body position), critical pieces that impact effective communication.

“Client Science: Advice for Lawyers on Counseling Clients through Bad News and Other Legal Realities” is available on Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and Oxford University Press.

Bulls, Bears, and the Ballot Box: How the Performance of Our Presidents has Impacted Your Wallet

Law professor’s book reviews 80 years of Democratic and Republican rule to learn which president and political party is the best economic steward for the country.

Authors: Lewis Goldfarb, assistant professor of Clinical Law and director of the Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic;

Co-author Robert Deitrick, co-owner of Polaris Financial Partners

With the 2012 presidential election approaching, a new book, co-authored by Professor Lew Goldfarb and Robert Deitrick, takes a hard look at the economic stewardship of the most recent 13 presidents — from Herbert Hoover to George W. Bush — and their respective parties. During this 80-year period (1929-2009), the Democratic Party and Republican Party occupied the White House for precisely 40 years each — “a perfect time to do a comparison”, said Goldfarb. “Bulls, Bears, and the Ballot Box: How the Performance of Our Presidents has Impacted Your Wallet” shares surprising facts about the U.S. economy and its connection to the president and political parties. What the authors discovered not only surprised them, but also may surprise the book’s readers. Namely, the U.S. economy has fared significantly better under Democratic presidents and policies than under Republican presidents and policies.

“I think people will find our book very intriguing,” said Professor Goldfarb. “Conventional wisdom has been that the Republican Party
is the “party of business”, producing superior results for the general economy and the stock market, and presiding over fewer months of recession when it occupies the White House. Our research led us to a much different conclusion,” asserted Goldfarb. “As people begin to think about their vote and their economic future it is important that they learn from the country’s economic history, under both Democratic and Republican presidents, as this may give valuable insights into the future.”

His book is available for order on Amazon, Barnes & Noble and most retail book stores and from the website www.BullsBearsandtheBallotBox.com.

In Contempt: Nineteenth-Century Women, Law, and Literature

Book analyzes women’s advocacy and legal contributions through the lens of 19th century legal history

Author: Kristin Kalsem, professor of Law and co-director of the Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice.

Women have played important roles in legal history. However, women’s advocacy and legal contributions are largely ignored in the historical record because their work, stories, and perspectives are not documented in authoritative legal texts. In Professor Kristin Kalsem’s new book, “In Contempt: Nineteenth-Century Women, Law, and Literature,” she analyzes heretofore unexamined sources of nineteenth-century legal history, specifically writings of nonfiction and fiction by women. Women writer advocates, Kalsem argues, were highly influential in changing laws affecting married women’s property, child support and custody, lunacy, divorce, birth control, domestic violence, and women in the legal profession. Looking at texts ranging from legislative reports and trial transcripts to Gothic, utopian, and New Woman novels, “In Contempt” examines women’s contributions to these significant legal reform movements. The book examines many “lost” publications by reformers such as Annie Besant and Georgina Weldon and novelists such as Frances Trollope and Florence Dixie. It also includes new legal readings of old favorites such as Emily Brontë’s “Wuthering Heights” and Lewis Carroll’s “Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland.”

Professor Kalsem’s book and a multimedia CD are available on Amazon.

Evaluation for Civil Commitment

Book takes an overview of laws surrounding civil commitment

Author: Douglas Mossman, MD, director of the Glenn M. Weaver of Law and Psychiatry.

Dr. Douglas Mossman is co-author, with Dr. Debra Pinals, of the book “Evaluation for Civil Commitment”, which is part of the “Best Practices for Forensic Mental Health Assessment” series published by Oxford University Press. Drs. Mossman and Pinals give readers a comprehensive overview of the laws, policies, and evaluation practices relevant to the civil commitment of persons with mental illness. The doctors use empirical support, legal relevance, and consistency with ethical and professional standards as bases for their best practice recommendations.

Their book is available for purchase on Amazon.

UC Law Trial Practice and Moot Court Teams Excel

UC Law’s Trial Practice Competition team took first place at the Regional TYLA competition February 10–12, 2012 with a perfect score. Congratulations to the team of Alexander Rodger ’12, Emily Homel ’13, and Allison Kendall ’12 who represented the school at the competition in Michigan. They went on to represent UC Law at the National Competition in Texas in late March. Credit for terrific trial performance also goes to the team of Tony Strike ’13, Jeff DeBeer ’12, and Sarah Kyriakedes ’13, whose fine work also made the College proud.

In addition, congratulations go to Kathryn McBride ’12 and Sundeep Mutgi ’13, who attended the Whittier Moot Court Competition February 3–5, 2012. They placed third in the competition. Mutgi received a second place finish for best oral advocate.

The teams are coached by Dan Donnellon, Faruki Cox & Ireland, and Sheila Smith, Freking and Betz.
Sandra Sperino, Former Visiting Professor, Joins College

While the name ‘Sandra Sperino’ may be unfamiliar to current students, the Civil Procedure and Employment Law professor is well-acquainted with the College of Law.

Sperino, who spent the 2007-08 school year as a visiting professor at the College of Law, has rejoined the faculty as an associate professor. “I had a wonderful experience here as a visiting professor,” Sperino said. “UC students are smart, enthusiastic and hardworking.”

The national reputation of the UC faculty, as well as the Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice, were “big draws” for Sperino when she was given the opportunity to work at the College of Law.

Sperino attended the University of Illinois, where she graduated summa cum laude and was the editor-in-chief of the University of Illinois Law Review. After graduating in 1999, Sperino spent two years as a law clerk for the Honorable Donald J. Stohr, a federal judge for the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri. Sperino stayed in St. Louis until 2005, working in Lewis, Rice & Fergus’ litigation and labor and employment departments.

The Lawless Fellowship Program gave Sperino an opportunity to return to the University of Illinois College of Law as a visiting professor, which she did from January 2005 to August 2006. “Right away I knew I enjoyed teaching students and the opportunity to engage in scholarship,” she said. Sperino, whose scholarship focuses on employment discrimination law, has been published in a number of books and articles. “Most of my articles focus on the intersection of employment discrimination law with other areas, such as torts, civil procedure, or constitutional law.”

Sperino is the co-author of an employment discrimination casebook. She also serves as a contributing editor for several ABA-published employment law books.

Sean Mangan focuses on Expanding Practical Experiences

Among the sea of new faces at the College of Law last fall was that of Sean Mangan, who joined the College as an assistant professor of Law. Mangan, a 2002 University of Virginia School of Law graduate, taught Transactional Drafting, among several other courses during the past academic year.

“I am a professor of practice — teaching more of the practical aspects of being an attorney, with a focus on non-litigation practice,” Mangan said.

Questions with Professor Felix Chang, Visiting Assistant Professor

Visiting Professor of Law Felix Chang is part of the team that established the College of Law’s Institute for the Global Practice of Law, which had its inaugural program last summer and which launched year two in June 2012.

Q. What’s on your nightstand?
A. I haven’t had the chance to do much nightly reading lately, but the last book I read was Elif Batuman’s “The Possessed,” which may still be on my nightstand.

Q. What are the big topics in your area of focus?
A. My areas of focus is Torts, Agency, and Corporations. My current practice is securities and derivatives. The single biggest topic in my area of law — which I define as banking, securities, and investments — is the Financial Reform Bill. The major components of this bill include capital markets reform (the Volcker Rule, clearing and margin requirements for derivatives), systemic risk (living wills, orderly resolution authority, prudential standards, and capital requirements), and retail banking (interchange fees, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and mortgage origination and securitization).

Q. What sparked your interest in law?
A. My interest in law was sparked some years after college. In 2002, when I was working in Central Asia as a journalist, I realized that journalists in post-Soviet societies weren’t useful as an instrument of change. The government didn’t trust us, and people didn’t believe the newspapers. I saw, however, that a number of lawyers attached to ABA legal reform initiatives were doing really cool work. That’s when I became interested in law.

Q. What’s the best part about the law/being a lawyer?
A. The novelty of issues you can encounter almost on a daily basis; the creativity that goes into devising solutions; and, especially in the financial area recently, the degree that lawyers can be the interface between business and government.

Q. Why did you become a lawyer?
A. I always wanted to go back to the former Soviet Union and Eastern Bloc as a mid- or late-career lawyer to work on legal reform initiatives. I still hope to someday.
In his days as a law student, Mangan foresaw the possibility of one day being a law professor. Nearly a decade after earning his JD, he has become just that.

Mangan grew up in Montgomery and attended the University of Notre Dame. He completed his undergraduate studies as a government major, earning a degree in Notre Dame’s version of political science. After spending four years in the Marine Corps following his undergraduate days, Mangan followed in his brother’s footsteps by attending law school. While in law school, Mangan worked on the Virginia Law Review. During his first and second summers, he was a summer associate at Frost Brown Todd and Washington D.C.’s Wiley Rein & Fielding, respectively. Subsequent to graduating from UVA and passing the bar, he practiced litigation in Northern Virginia, just outside of D.C.

About a year later, Mangan and his wife Elizabeth — a Georgetown Law grad and currently the general counsel at Miller-Valentine Group — returned to Cincinnati. After two years of practice locally, he was a summer associate at Frost Brown Todd and Washington D.C.’s Wiley Rein & Fielding, respectively. Subsequent to graduating from UVA and passing the bar, he practiced litigation in Northern Virginia, just outside of D.C.

Mangan worked downtown at Graf & Stiebel, doing employee benefits, estate planning, and representation of closely held companies, he said.

The next stop for Mangan was an in-house position with one of Graf & Stiebel’s clients — MED3000. After eight months, he decided he did not want to move to Pittsburgh — where MED3000 is headquartered — and before long joined the College of Law.

Having wanted to teach law for many years, Mangan is helping students learn and develop skills in non-litigation areas such as corporate acquisitions and small business representation. While law school teaches students to think as a lawyer, but not entirely how to practice as one, Mangan feels there is “room to compliment that with practical curriculum.”

“That’s my goal — that when you walk out (as a College of Law graduate) you are more ready to practice law than you would have been if we didn’t have the position.”

Kenyatta Mickles Trains Her Eye on Domestic Violence

Kenyatta L. Mickles, assistant professor of Clinical Law, leads the law school’s Domestic Violence and Civil Protection Order Clinic. She began her law practice as an attorney for Legal Aid of Greater Cincinnati. There, she represented low-income individuals and families who have experienced domestic violence. Her practice was varied, including assisting clients having problems with social security or unemployment benefits; assisting individuals with family law issues (divorce, custody, and support); serving as the assistant to the ombudsman for the Water in Basement Program, and more.

Over two years ago Professor Mickles began working with the law school’s Domestic Violence and Civil Protection Order Clinic. As the supervising attorney, she assisted in the training and coaching of second- and third-year law students participating in the clinic. She also taught and trained third-year law students in all aspects of legal comportment, including litigation skills and interviewing techniques, evidence introduction, direct/cross examinations, and opening/closing statements. Additionally, she supervised clinic participants in all aspects of clinical practice, from initial interview through trial. This includes case assessment, analysis, and application of doctrinal learning to real life practice.

She is a graduate of the University of Cincinnati and the Salmon P. Chase College of Law. While in law school she worked as a legal intern at the Second Chance Litigation Clinic at Chase. During this time she had the unique opportunity to argue before the Twelfth District Court of Appeals against the retroactive application of the Ohio sex offender residency laws on behalf of an individual enjoined from living in his residence due to an offense prior to the passage of the residency restriction law.

Professor Mickles has given numerous presentations on obtaining stalking, criminal and civil protection orders; assistance available to domestic violence survivors; and the dynamics of domestic violence.

Janet Moore Is Committed to Criminal Justice Reform

Prior to joining the College of Law’s faculty, Janet Moore had been active in public defense reform locally, where she helped build “a joint indigent defense clinic” for the College of Law and neighboring Salmon P. Chase College of Law. “It was through that I came to UC’s attention, so when they needed somebody to teach last spring (2011), they gave me a holler,” Moore laughed.

Since she arrived at UC Law, Professor Moore has taught Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure II, and Evidence. “The teaching of young professionals, the growing and nurturing of young professionals, is extremely satisfying and challenging work,” said Moore.

Long before joining the College of Law’s faculty, Moore had aspirations to teach, though not necessarily at a law school. In 1981, she earned her undergraduate degree from Kalamazoo College, a small liberal arts school in her home state of Michigan. There, Moore studied religion, but also wrote poetry and developed an interest in theology. Following graduation, she worked for the well-known author and astrophysicist Dr. Carl Sagan as a research assistant in New York, before heading to Chicago to attend the University of Chicago Divinity School, with “the intention of getting a PhD and teaching theological ethics.” Then, she had two children — who are 27 and 20 years old now.

Moore and her family eventually landed at Duke University in North Carolina. “I wanted to find a law school where I could do both the law and continue to do a master’s in philosophy,” said Moore, who still had intentions of teaching philosophical and theological ethics. After graduating from Duke’s School of Law, Moore clerked for the Honorable J.
Dickson Phillips, Jr. of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit in Durham, North Carolina.

She found this to be a “very eye opening experience in many respects, particularly with respect to the back end of the capital litigation system and habeas corpus, and how that works or doesn’t. Wrongful convictions were a rather dramatic introduction to all of that,” she added.

Then, her husband’s work took the family overseas for several years, returning to North Carolina in 1998. She took a position as an assistant appellate defender with the Office of the Appellate Defender in Durham and Asheville, still intending to teach and research. “It turned out that I was really good at getting people off death row,” Moore said, quick to credit her colleagues in contributing to her successes.

Her experiences in this position “further deepened (her) awareness of the pattern that led folks, particularly low-income people and people of color, into the criminal justice system – both as crime victims and as defendants,” she said. Moore also became “much more keenly aware of the shockingly poor representation that a lot of these folks get as indigent defendants,” she added.

In 2005, Moore and her family moved to Cincinnati, where she continued this same line of capital and noncapital appeals work on an appointed basis. In 2006, she became involved with the Ohio Justice & Policy Center as director of OJPC’s Race and Justice Project. “The goal, as I saw it,” Moore said of her position, “was to focus at the front end of the system and try to divert the school-to-prison pipeline.”

Moore stayed on with the OJPC, before her work caught the eye of the College of Law. In addition to her teaching, Moore has pursued scholarship which is focused on criminal justice reform. She recently had an article published in the Freedom Center Journal, while another of Moore’s pieces will be coming out in the Brooklyn Law Review in 2012.

6 Questions with Diane Cross, Public Sector Coordinator and Counselor for CPD

Diane Cross provides career counseling to students and alumni regarding judicial clerkships, government opportunities, and work in the public interest. A graduate of Butler University, she received her law degree from Florida Coastal School of Law.

Q. What type of law did you practice before joining UC Law?
A. Prior to joining the Center for Professional Development, I was a Fellow in the Office of Public Service Initiatives for the National Association for Law Placement (NALP). While at NALP, I managed PSLawNet.org, its public interest legal career clearinghouse. Most recently, I was a legal consultant with CT Corporation, dealing with matters of corporate governance and compliance.

Q. What sparked your interest in career development?
A. Simply put, I believe that a legal education can be one of the most significant investments a person can make. I enjoy assisting law students and lawyers on how to best utilize their investment and achieve their professional goals.

Q. What’s the best part about the law/being a lawyer?
A. Counseling clients is my favorite part of being a lawyer. I enjoy being able to work through problems and create solutions for people. As an advocate for social responsibility, I most enjoy working with underprivileged folks to provide them with resources they otherwise may not have.

Q. Why did you want to become a lawyer?
A. I wanted a career path that would continue to challenge me substantively and professionally. Mostly, I crave knowledge of the law.

Q. What’s on your nightstand?
A. Dust for sure. Also, I’ve managed to collect a stack of five or six books that I have half read, along with a few magazines. I have to admit that the stack is starting to resemble an unstable Jenga tower.

Q. What’s the current “big” issue in your area?
A. In my role at the College, I focus on a variety of different areas from cultivating volunteer opportunities, to advising on judicial clerkships and fellowships. If I had to pick a general big issue, it would undoubtedly be assisting students with obtaining jobs — both summer and post-graduate. Specifically, I am currently focused on judicial clerkship and fellowship applications, as now is the time of year for submitting applications. Concurrently, I am actively pursuing volunteer legal opportunities for law students in the area.
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2012 Goldman Prize Winners Committed to Teaching

Thought-provoking. Cutting edge. Engaged. These words describe the 2012 Goldman Prize for Excellence in Teaching recipients. All have demonstrated their commitment to students, support of the College of Law, and commitment to excellence. Congratulations to this year’s recipients: Professor Emily M.S. Houh, Professor Sean Mangan, and Professor Janet Moore.

Emily M.S. Houh
Associate Dean of Faculty and Gustavus Henry Wald Professor of the Law and Contracts

For the students lucky enough to have had Professor Emily M.S. Houh for Contracts in their first semester of law school, she set the bar in terms of what to look for in a professor. It was immediately evident to her students that Professor Houh has full command of the material, and they appreciated her ability to present it in a clear, organized manner. She has mastered the surely difficult skill of leading a classroom of over 80 students, in which all felt personally accountable for the material, all have an opportunity to participate, and many different voices are heard.

Professor Houh ensured not only that all of her students understood the intricacies of the black-letter law, but also the historical context, and societal consequences of what they were learning. She made the subject of Contracts extremely relevant in the lives of her students, and challenged them to critique the different theories and holdings, rather than just accept them without engaging in the material. Professor Houh taught her students how to think critically about the law, which is an invaluable lesson to learn in one’s first semester.

When asked why Professor Houh is a great professor, any former student will definitely point to her obvious commitment to her students, and investment in their success. She sets high, clearly-communicated standards, setting students up to be careful and well-prepared future lawyers.

This is Professor Houh’s second Goldman Prize for Excellence in Teaching.

Sean Mangan
Assistant Professor of Practice

Law students must understand the theory of law however, just as importantly, they must learn how to translate those theories and knowledge into practice. Law students at the University of Cincinnati are afforded the opportunity to gain very necessary skill sets with the addition of Professor Sean Mangan to the faculty. In his first year of teaching, Professor Mangan has made an integral contribution towards developing curriculum to combine...
real-world, clinical, and academic experiences into the classroom.

Although Professor Mangan has only been a part of the faculty for a very short time, he has already made an extraordinary impression on law students. They admire the passion and zeal he brings to his practical drafting courses each session. He motivates students to want to do exemplary work and spends tireless hours reviewing their work and responding with invaluable feedback. His lectures are intriguing and he inspires students to do additional study and research above and beyond the call of a typical law school course.

Professor Mangan has guided a successful team to the transactional law competition. He has been able to do this using his leadership skills, and his true understanding of how to explain complicated issues to students to assure that team members gained the knowledge and ability to demonstrate their prowess in the field of law.

Janet Moore
Visiting Assistant Professor of Law

The Goldman Prize is awarded to University of Cincinnati College of Law professors who distinguish themselves in classroom performance, research, and public service. What’s amazing about Professor Janet Moore’s contribution and excellence in these categories is how quickly she has made an impact on this school and the lives of its students.

In just over a year since joining the College of Law in January 2011, the committee has already seen fit to award Professor Moore with the Goldman Prize based upon the stellar recommendations of students and the administration.

The students of the College of Law acclaim her classes as interactive, refreshing, interesting, and informative. Professor Moore engages students in meaningful conversations while always relating material to real-world problems. She often takes time to make practical teaching points concerning the material, and is willing to sacrifice class time to ensure student comprehension and the success of her students both in and outside of the classroom. While she demands excellence, she is always willing to devote large amounts of time outside of class to student development and strives to make herself easily accessible and available.

Professor Moore is able to draw upon her extensive legal and educational experiences in her teachings. Her recent work with the Ohio Justice and Policy Center where she emphasized the reform and improvement of indigent defense translates directly to her instruction and class discussion. Professor Moore’s passion for her work and her students extends beyond the classroom and follows them into their careers as they graduate and move into professional settings.
Dean Jefferson Honored with NALP President’s Award

Mina Jones Jefferson ’90, assistant dean and director of the Center for Professional Development, was named a 2011-2012 President’s Award Winner — one of the highest honors in the field — at the annual meeting of the National Association for Law Placement (NALP).

Dean Jefferson was lauded for her work as chairperson of NALP’s Employment Outcomes Task Force. Under her leadership the Task Force published a comprehensive Best Practices Guide that will assist all law schools in the data collection process. Jefferson will again serve as chairperson of the task force during the 2012-2013 academic year.

One of the first African American women in the region elected to the partnership of a large firm, Jefferson practiced commercial litigation for nine years before joining the College of Law. A former hiring partner, she has the distinction of being one of the few law school career services professionals in the country who has been on “both sides of the table.” Dean Jefferson speaks on professional development throughout the tri-state and is very involved in the community, including currently serves on the board of the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati Board of Trustees and by appointment on the Ohio Supreme Court Commission on Continuing Legal Education.

What is NALP?

Founded in 1971 as the National Association for Law Placement, NALP — The Association for Legal Career Professionals — is a nonprofit educational association established to meet the needs of all participants in the legal employment process (career planning, recruitment and hiring, and professional development of law students and lawyers) for information, coordination and standards. NALP is dedicated to continuously improving career counseling and planning, recruitment and retention, and the professional development of law students, lawyers, and its members.
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On Sunday, May 13, 2012 at Cincinnati’s historic Music Hall, the College of Law marked an annual tradition. 125 students graduated at this year’s event.

The speaker for this year’s ceremony was William T. (Bill) Robinson, president of the American Bar Association and member-in-charge at the Northern Kentucky office of Frost Brown Todd. Civil litigation at the trial and appellate levels has been the primary focus of his law practice for over 40 years, with extensive experience in commercial litigation, class actions, product liability defense, environmental litigation and medical malpractice defense. In addition to his professional career achievements, highlighted with the Public Advocate Award (2012) from the Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy, the Liberty Bell Award from the Kentucky Supreme Court, and numerous honor doctorate degrees, he is very active in community organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America, the Economic Center for Education and Research at the University of Cincinnati.

The 2012 Nicholas Longworth, III Alumni Achievement Award was given to MJ Donovan ’01 of Donovan Law. Donovan began her career in the legal arena in 1987 when she joined the City of Cincinnati Police Department. While there, she served as police officer in Over-the-Rhine, West End, Winton Terrace, Clifton, Camp Washington, and Northside. During this time, she became the first woman assigned to the traffic unit as a vehicular homicide investigator. After five years with the Cincinnati Police Department, she transitioned to the Legal Department of American Financial Group, Inc. as a legal department administrator. She later became a law clerk for the Legal Department while attending law school.

Also being honored were this year’s recipients of the Goldman Prize for Teaching Excellence: Professors Emily Houh, Sean Mangan, and Janet Moore. (See page 22 for their stories.)
Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic
Better Your Business Pro Bono Event
This event, jointly sponsored by the Duke Energy Law Department and ECDC, brought together local attorneys and law students to support the community. They joined forces to provide free legal advice to local businesses on a range of topics including, contracts, business start-up, litigation, real estate, tax, labor and employment, environment, and intellectual property.

Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice
“Realizing the Dream of Equal Employment Opportunity in the 21st Century”
This event featured Jacqueline A. Berrien, chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. President Barack Obama observed in announcing her nomination to EEOC, Ms. Berrien “has spent her entire career fighting to give voice to underrepresented communities and protect our most basic rights.” Chair Berrien came to the EEOC from the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund (LDF), where she served as associate director-Counsel for five and a half years. Prior to that position she worked for the Ford Foundation’s Peace and Social Justice Program, practiced civil rights law with premier organizations as the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights in Washington, D.C., the American Civil Liberties Union in New York, as well as LDF. She began her legal career working as a law clerk to the Honorable U.W. Clemon, the first African-American U.S. District Court Judge in Birmingham, Alabama.

Judge In Residence Program
“Subpoenas for Judges? A Reply to Newt Gingrich”
The Hon. Randall T. Shepard
This event featured Judge Shepard, recently retired Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court. Shepard served as a trial court judge, practiced law, was executive assistant to the Mayor of Evansville, Ind., and served as special assistant to the Under Secretary of Transportation in Washington, D.C. Chief Justice Shepard has authored over 1,000 majority and separate opinions for his court and published more than fifty-five law review articles in 20 different journals.
The 2011-2012 academic year was filled with numerous events. Following is a brief overview of key lectures, programs, and symposia held at the College of Law.

Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice

“Should Good People become Prosecutors? A Debate

Mark Piepmeier, chief assistant prosecutor for Hamilton County, and Paul Butler, the Carville Dickinson Benson Research Professor of Law (George Washington University Law School) and former federal prosecutor, tackled the role of prosecutors in the criminal justice system. They addressed topics including: 1) Given the problem of mass incarceration, do prosecutors legitimize a broken system? 2) Or, are they helping to promote public safety in communities? And 3) Do prosecuting attorneys have any obligation to address the issue of mass incarceration? Professor Mark Godsey, the Daniel P. and Judith L. Carmichael Professor of Law and Director, Lois and Richard Rosenthal Institute for Justice/Ohio Innocence Project, moderated this debate.

2011 William Howard Taft Lecture on Constitutional Law

Tainted Law

Michael C. Dorf, Robert S. Stevens Professor of Law, Cornell University Law School

In his lecture, Professor Dorf discussed circumstances in which a repealed provision of law “taints” current law. Drawing on examples of slavery, segregation, and women’s equality, he explored the implications of tainted law for constitutional interpretation. He discussed whether the Constitution as a whole is tainted by its past entanglements with injustice, and if so, what should be done about it.

2012 Robert S. Marx Lecture

Racial Math Anxiety: The Curious Treatment of Disparate Impact

Cheryl Harris, Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation Chair in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties at UCLA School of Law

While the Court’s prior decision declining to constitutionalize disparate impact theory in Washington v. Davis and its more recent drift towards constitutionalizing the repudiation of disparate impact theory in Ricci v. DeStefano reflect debates about the scope and reach of constitutional principles, the cases also reveal a great deal about racial projects. Though more implied than stated, that racial project is concerned with framing and interpreting the significance of white racial dominance. Under traditional legal regimes that encoded and upheld racial hierarchy, the disproportionate allocation of power, privilege and position to whites was a logical consequence of the racial order. However, after the formal repudiation of racial hierarchy in law and legal doctrine, the persistence of white racial dominance requires different justifications. In the immediate wake of Brown, this inequality was described as a consequence of the system of racial stratification known as Jim Crow — the present effects of past discrimination. However, with the passage of time, this logic seemed more attenuated, and was subject to greater resistance. Under a regime of formal equality, how is persistent racial inequality explained?
2012 Stanley M. Chesley Distinguished Visiting Professor Lecture
The Occupy Wall Street Blues: Why Americans Have Trouble Talking About Inequality
Angela P. Harris, Professor of Law, University of California - Davis, King Hall School of Law

In her lecture, Professor discussed some of the reasons, legal and political, why Americans have trouble talking about race, class, and structural inequality in particular. Professor Harris writes widely in the field of critical legal theory, examining how law sometimes reinforces and sometimes challenges subordination on the basis of race, gender, sexuality, class, and other dimensions of power and identity.

2012 Corporate Law Center Symposium
Implementing the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act

Signed into law on July 21, 2010, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act is called the most comprehensive financial reform legislation since the 1930s. The Act requires federal regulators to engage in at least 243 rule makings and to conduct at least 67 studies, often under tight deadlines. Meanwhile, some members of Congress call for the law's repeal, and Congressional committees, the D.C. Circuit and business interests closely scrutinize implementation efforts. This symposium focused on both the policy and practical implications of implementing the Act.
2012 Weaver Institute of Law and Psychiatry Symposium

Michael Stein, Visiting Professor of Law, Harvard Law School and Executive Director, Harvard Law School Project on Disability

The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) is the first human rights treaty of the twenty-first century, and the first legally binding international instrument to protect the globe’s six hundred and fifty million individuals with disabilities. Ratified by nearly one hundred countries, and in operation since May 2008, the CRPD is effectuating global change. People with disabilities have been transformed from the objects of charity to the subjects of rights, and are claiming their human rights in all corners of the world based on the theme of the CRPD negotiations: “Nothing about us without us.” At the same time, some countries are actively resisting the notion of legal capacity—the human right by which persons with disabilities make decisions about their own lives. Professor Stein, who was active in the CRPD negotiations and has worked on disability issues in dozens of countries, discussed the CRPD generally; recent developments from around the world, including what the UN Disability Committee in Geneva is doing; and how the CRPD is being implemented and monitored in different countries where the Harvard Law School Project on Disability has been active.

2011 Harris Distinguished Visitor Series:
The Life of a Federal Judge in New York City

Denise Cote, United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York

Judge Cote has held positions in both the private and public sectors. For approximately eight years, beginning in 1977, she was an assistant United States attorney in the Criminal Division of the United States Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of New York. She left that office as deputy chief of the Criminal Division in 1985 to join the law firm of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler. In 1991, she returned to the United States Attorney’s Office as the first woman chief of the Criminal Division, a post she held when Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan recommended her to President William J. Clinton for appointment as a federal judge.

Special Event

Roger Cossack, Distinguished Visiting Practitioner in Residence, Pepperdine University

Professor Cossack discussed his entrance into the television arena from his work as an active practicing lawyer. He also referenced cases he covered and discussed the impact of the media on the law.
No matter where I go, or who I meet the question is the same — are people still getting jobs? Yes they are; it’s just taking longer to get there. In light of this reality the College of Law created the Urban Law Fellowship Program. Keeping with its long-standing commitment to public service, the College of Law collaborated with the City of Cincinnati Solicitor’s Office and, more recently, the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati to provide legal service to the community and a three-month training program for entry level attorneys.

Urban Law Fellows either work with at The Solicitor’s Office handling a variety of legal areas including prosecution, litigation, transactional, and labor and employment, or with Legal Aid attorneys in a variety of practice group areas. Fellows experience a high level of responsibility allowing them to cultivate and enhance legal skills as well as become even more competitive for future employment opportunities in both the public and private sectors. So, it is fair to ask, is the program achieving its intended purpose. Yes, according to the host organizations as well as the graduates.

Julie Bissinger, who manages the program for The Solicitor’s Office, “is thrilled to have partnered with the Law School’s Urban Fellowship Program yearly since the program’s inception in 2010.” To date, by her account, “17 newly licensed attorneys have enhanced their careers in practice with the Solicitor’s Office, while the Solicitor’s Office simultaneously benefitted from their enthusiasm and hard work.” Under her direction “[f]ellows are partnered with a mentor attorney in a primary interest area of Litigation, Labor and Employment, Economic and Community Development, General Counsel or Prosecution.” She stated that “[u]pon completion of their fellowships, every Fellow had secured full-time permanent employment.” Further, she indicated that “The Solicitor’s Office was pleased to hire two Fellows, David Sturkey ’10 and Lauren Yanovsky ’11, where they are currently working as Assistant City Prosecutors.”

The program is less safe harbor, more a launching pad

Matthew Fong ’09, currently an attorney at Thompson Hine LLP (Cincinnati) was a member of the inaugural class of Urban Law Fellows. For him “[s]erving as an Urban Law Fellow at the City of Cincinnati was tremendously rewarding.” The Fellowship “provided [him] with valuable professional experience while also providing unique insight into the city where [he] lived and worked.” Matt, who worked with the General Counsel, Litigation Counsel, and Employment Counsel, further states that he “benefited significantly from the highly capable and experienced attorneys at the City.

The City of Cincinnati, like other municipalities, faces a variety of unique challenges every day, which also made every project as a Law Fellow new and different.”

The variety of his experiences as a Law Fellow continue to remain with him. Matt had:

rewarding opportunities to both observe and meaningfully contribute to the Law Department, which included navigating collective-bargaining agreements, responding to Sunshine Law requests, participating in litigation, and advising members of the City government in their efforts to make Cincinnati better through supporting social services and structuring sound policies.

Immediately after his Fellowship, Matt worked for the United States Department of Labor, before assuming his current position at Thompson Hine LLP.

Lauren Yanovsky ’11, served as a Fellow in the Prosecution Section of The Solicitor’s Office and was subsequently hired full-time. According to Lauren she would not have received a full-time position without having the fellowship because she did not have prior experience in criminal law. According to Lauren the fellowship provided “an opportunity to explore a different area of law and build a different skill set and network.” The fellowship experience continues to
receive high marks from Lauren, who said:

*I was assigned a mentor that taught me more in 10 weeks than I’ve learned at any other legal job. They were careful to treat me as an attorney and not a law clerk - so I was able to gain a lot of courtroom and trial experience as well as work on some appellate cases.*

**Daryl Osuch ’11** “took the Fellowship for the experience and it definitely met [his] expectations.” He worked with eight to ten attorneys at the Legal Aid Society of Greater Cincinnati and was primarily exposed to the Income Work and Health Practice Group, the Housing and Consumer Practice Group. Daryl said that “[e]veryone was really nice, and I never felt like I was getting a made-up assignment. I felt like I was helping other attorneys with real case work or real projects.” Daryl continues to volunteer at Legal Aid while also doing criminal defense work.

with practicing attorneys, but it wasn’t until [his] Urban Law Fellowship that [he] actually felt like [he] was practicing law.” David worked in the Prosecutor’s office and was “in the courtroom on day 1.” By the end of his fellowship he “had tried several cases, met dozens of judges and lawyers, and decided that [he] wanted to stay in the Prosecutor’s Office.” He said that “[a] position opened up shortly after my fellowship ended and I literally already had 2 feet in the door” and has been “there ever since.”

**David Sturkey ’10** described his as “unique because it was an opportunity to actually practice law.” David said that “[i]n law school, when you are in the classroom, you are studying and discussing the law. During summers, you have a chance to actually work
Dean Bilionis hosted the Dean’s Council Dinner December 2011 at the Westin Hotel. Skaters on Fountain Square’s ice rink and Santa rappelling down the Macy’s building made for a beautiful winter backdrop for the occasion. Those honored for their generous support were Bob and the late Ruth Conway and Bill and Cindy Morelli.

Bob and Ruth were one of the very first donors to the OIP and have been steady supporters and believers since UC Law first launched the program.

Bill and Cindy are passionate about their alma mater and about giving back. They continue to give of their time — coming back to campus for Alumni Band Day to play at halftime. They have also been giving of their treasure to UC since 1981 — 30 years of support — including a leadership gift of $100,000 for the new law school building.

Special remarks were given by Paul Caron, Charles Hartsock Professor of Law, one of the leading entrepreneurial tax scholars in the country. He and his wife, Courtney, have been generous donors to UC Law for 20 years.
On May 11, 2012 the UC Law Alumni Association honored three distinguished UC College of Law alumni. Exemplifying excellence and achievement in their chosen field of practice, this year’s honorees were: Daniel P. Carmichael ’68, Hon. Cheryl D. Grant ’73, and James C. Kennedy ’76. The 2012 luncheon was held at the Westin Cincinnati.
James C. Kennedy

Jim Kennedy practices in the Business Representation and Transactions Practice Group. The focus of his practice is corporate, securities, and financing law, where he has extensive experience in mergers, acquisitions and divestitures representing public corporations, their subsidiaries, and other entities. In his more than 34 years as an attorney for American Financial Group, Inc, its subsidiaries, and affiliates (AFG), he has overseen many acquisition and divestiture transactions in recent years with an aggregate transaction value in the billions of dollars. He has significant experience in initial and follow-on public offerings of securities and in representing issuers and investors in private placements of securities. He regularly advised AFG on corporate governance, financing, compliance and litigation matters.

After the passage of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, he consolidated and managed the AFG Internal Audit and Investigative Services department.

Mr. Carmichael was not able to attend the luncheon. Rob Lewis ’97 and Greg Laux ’12 accepted the award in his honor.

Hon. Cheryl D. Grant

The Honorable Cheryl D. Grant ’73 is a member of the Hamilton County Municipal Court with continuous service since 1997. A graduate of Withrow High School (Cincinnati; Ohio), she received her bachelor’s degree from the University of Cincinnati, a juris doctor degree from the College of Law, and a master of Divinity degree from Palmer Theological Seminary, (Philadelphia, PA).

Prior to attending law school, Judge Grant worked as a social worker for the Memorial Community Center and as a Cincinnati police officer. In addition, she has worked in various capacities at Cincinnati Legal Aid Society, as a congressional aide to former Congressman Thomas Luken; as an assistant professor of Business Law at UC’s College of Business; law director for the City of Lincoln Heights (Ohio); as assistant United States attorney for the Southern District of Ohio; Chief Investigator of the Office of Municipal Investigation (OMI), City of Cincinnati; assistant public defender (Hamilton County); assistant attorney general (Ohio); owner of the first all-female law firm in Cincinnati, C. D. Grant & Associates; and the founding member and first executive director of the Letteria Dalton Foundation.

Judge Grant has been active in various civic and social organizations including: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Black Career Women, Inc., NAACP, among many other activities.

Daniel Carmichael

Dan Carmichael has broad experience in corporate and regulatory law and public policy. Prior to joining Faegre Baker Daniels, he spent 28 years with Eli Lilly and Company, most recently as secretary to the Board of Directors and deputy general counsel. His practice experience at Lilly included food and drug law, product liability, corporate securities and general corporate law, corporate governance and compliance, and environmental law.

He also served as director of Lilly’s Washington, D.C. office from 1980-82 where he was responsible for federal government relations. Carmichael was executive director of Corporate Affairs from 1982-86 where he was responsible for media relations and public policy planning, as well as federal government relations.

Mr. Carmichael’s civic activities are extensive, including board positions at Lilly Endowment, Inc; UC Foundation, the Indianapolis Legal Aid Society, the College of Law’s Board of Visitors, and the Food and Drug Law Institute. Additionally, he is a former member of the Indiana University School of Public and Environmental Affairs Board of Visitors and the American Society of Corporate Secretaries.

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Donors and Scholars Reception

Scholarships provide opportunity for the next generation of leaders. They also help keep the College of Law competitive and help to bring the most outstanding students to UC Law. We are grateful for all who have established scholarships at the college and continue to donate to this worthy cause — tomorrow’s leaders.

The fourth annual Donors and Scholars Reception was held at the College of Law on September 23, 2011. Scholarship donors and scholarship recipients were invited to come together to meet one another. It provided the college and the scholars, with a great opportunity to thank the donors in person.

For more information about giving back and making a difference for an incoming student by supporting a scholarship, contact Mike Hogan at 513-556-5002 or Mike.Hogan@uc.edu.
The UC Law Alumni Association welcomed 85 participants at the 2011 CLE and UCLAA Annual Meeting and Luncheon in Nov. 2011. CLE presenters and their topics were: Professor Marianna Brown Bettman ’77, Most Important Cases of the Ohio Supreme Court June 2010–June 2011, Patrick J. Garry ’91, Substance Abuse, Chemical Dependency and Mental Health Concerns in the Legal Profession, Professor Sandra Sperino, Civil Procedure: An Update on Personal Jurisdiction — Recent Supreme Court Cases and their Impact on Personal Jurisdiction and Charles Strain, Professional Persuasion. A total of 4.5 CLE credits was awarded.

As a part of the day, the UCLAA was pleased to honor this year’s recipient of the Adjunct Teaching Excellence Award, Michael Zavatsky. Zavatsky is a member of the Class of 1980. A partner in the Labor and Employment Department of Taft Stettinius & Hollister, he heads its Immigration and Citizenship Practice, and has broad civil litigation experience. He has been a member of the adjunct faculty at UC Law since 1989.

Nancy Oliver, Associate Dean for Curriculum and Student Affairs and Professor of Practice, gave an update on the College of Law activities.

The UCLAA Board of Trustees welcomed new executive committee members: Rob Lewis, Jr. ’97, president; Dan Startsman III ’07, vice president; Christy Nageleisen ’03, treasurer; and new board members: Jennifer Fuller ’06, Patrick Hayes ’08, Scott Kane ’97, James Sproat ’11, Mike Williams ’06, and Jared Hess 3L (Student Rep).
While researching notable College of Law alumni, Charles Sawyer, a 1911 graduate of the Cincinnati Law School, came to our attention. The grandfather of Board of Visitors member, John P. Williams, Jr. ’66, Mr. Sawyer was a remarkable man whose first love, apart from his family, was always for his native Cincinnati.

Becoming a Lawyer
With his graduation from Oberlin College looming and no clear picture of his future, Sawyer was approached by the College’s President about a one-year scholarship from Cincinnati Law School. He had never intended to be a lawyer, but since he had finished college in three years Sawyer decided he was entitled to a one-year experiment. He accepted the scholarship.

Sawyer quickly realized his interest in the law and secured free tuition for his last two years by becoming the law school secretary and librarian. Simultaneously, he competed for law school prizes and acquired a high school teaching certificate in order to support himself.

Sawyer received first place in the 1911 Ohio bar examination, stating that his success “was probably partly due to my decision to write as legibly as possible. I had marked many papers as a teacher and knew what a good impression was made when it was easy for the teacher to read the answers.”

Early Professional Life
The day after he was sworn in, Sawyer purchased a desk for eight dollars, rented a small room downtown and “waited for clients to flock to my office. They didn’t.” Undaunted, Sawyer decided to join acquaintance John Weld Peck (Class of 1898) and became part of the firm Peck, Shaffer, and Peck before organizing his own law firm with two friends later.

World War I interrupted and the partners separated. After the war, he became a member of Dinsmore, Shohl, and Sawyer. William Cooper Procter (of P&G fame) was a client as was Powel Crosley, Jr., owner of WLW and one of the largest manufacturers of radio sets.

Life as a Politician
While still in law school, Sawyer became intrigued by politics,
Cincinnati Gardens and acquired the franchise for the minor league Cincinnati Mohawks hockey team.

Sawyer was a disciplined and undeviatingly punctual man. He believed that the success of business was essential to the social, economic, and governmental systems and that the businessman was not a “God-given whipping boy.” This was a turbulent period between the federal government and labor and it resulted in a landmark decision of the U.S. Supreme Court limiting the powers of the presidency in *Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co. v. Sawyer*, 343 U.S. 579 (1952), also known as *The Steel Seizure Case*.

**Home to Cincinnati**

Returning to Cincinnati again, Sawyer founded the Great Trails Broadcasting Corporation, which owned and operated radio stations throughout the country. His legal career growing, he became the senior partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister. Robert Stachler ’57, who joined the firm after his graduation, said, “There is no person in the history of the Taft firm that I admired more than Charles Sawyer. He is an icon.”

Sawyer also was closely associated with other Cincinnati institutions, including Coney Island, Kings Island, and the Cincinnati Bengals. He founded and chaired a number of nonprofit organizations. In 1973, he presented the City of Cincinnati with $1 million to purchase land on the riverfront for a public park, now known as Sawyer Point. Sawyer was one of the first three recipients of the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce’s Great Living Cincinnatian Award.

Sawyer also remained deeply interested in UC. In 1950, UC awarded him an honorary doctor of laws degree and he spoke at the university’s 125th anniversary celebration in 1958. Sawyer Hall dormitory, now demolished, was named for him in 1964. In 1973, he received the second annual President’s Award for Excellence at the UC Day Banquet for his dedication to the highest ideals of university-community relations.

**A College of Law Legacy**

Charles Sawyer’s legacy at the College of Law has continued throughout the years. In addition to his son Edward ’58 and his grandson John ’66, his granddaughter Kristina Sawyer (daughter of Ed) and her husband Justin Ristau are members of the Class of 2002. Ed’s other son-in-law, Nathan Coleman, graduated in 2003.

John Williams lived with Mr. Sawyer several years while at UC Law. He remembers walking with his grandfather every day precisely at 6:30am. He called him a “wonderful listener with a great sense of humor, a strong sense of taking care of people and of getting things done.” His grandfather “believed in young people and was always very supportive of the young lawyers at Taft.” Bob Stachler would agree. “Mr. Sawyer gave me every opportunity and supported me in all I did.”

**UC College of Law — New Building**

John Sawyer, Edward Sawyer, and John P. Williams, Jr. recently made a major gift to the new College of Law building. “Mr. Sawyer had a brilliant legal mind, and this seemed to be a most fitting opportunity to honor our father and grandfather and his many contributions to law, industry, politics, and his community.”

**Note:** Quotes from Charles Sawyer are from his 1968 autobiography, *Concerns of a Conservative Democrat*. 

*Caption: From left to right: General Eisenhower, Ambassador Sawyer, and General W. Bedell Smith at a Brussels ceremony (date unknown)*
Marjorie Corman Aaron, Professor of Clinical Law and Director, Center for Practice, gave numerous presentations at conferences and CLE sessions throughout the year, including The Psyche at Work: Help for Lawyers’ Worries about Employee Mental Disorders, Trauma, and Violence (with Dr. Douglas Mossman, M.D., director of UC Law’s Weaver Institute for Law and Psychiatry); How to Counter “Spin” without Counter-spinning: Ways to Deal with Aggressive Advocates and Ill-Counseled Clients (with Dwight Golann); Shifting to Neutral: A Not-So-Basic Mediation Workshop (with Cathleen Kuhl and John Cruze); Delivering Bad News to Clients; and Mediation: Yes or No? Additionally, Aaron and Assistant Professor of Practice Sean Mangan presented on the lawyer’s role and the basics of negotiation to McAuley High School students in their “Women In” program. The program, organized in collaboration with Lori Landrum, then of Frost Brown Todd, was designed to introduce young women to a range of professions.

Aaron’s article, Strategy at the Table: From Stereotypes to Subtleties, was accepted for publication and will appear in volume 30 of Alternatives to the High Cost of Litigation. Her book, Client Science: Advice for Lawyers on Counseling Clients through Bad News and Other Legal Realities (Oxford U. Press 2012), is now in print.

College of Law Professors Launch New Scholarship Fund for Students

Prospective students are well aware that a legal education can be a significant financial investment. What’s news at the University of Cincinnati College of Law is what professors have initiated to make things a little easier for students. They’ve established the College of Law Faculty Scholarship Fund. Specifically, the College of Law Faculty Scholarship Fund will provide necessary financial support to our law students that will help offset the rising cost of legal education. To kick off this initiative, over $40,000 was raised, with the average gift exceeding $1,000.

“We have high hopes for this effort,” said A. Christopher Bryant, professor of Law at the College and one of the initiators of the idea. “This faculty has always felt a very strong connection to our students. We also understand the realities of the legal profession today — and remember the anxiety we all felt when we were in law school. Creating this scholarship was an opportunity to show our support of them in a tangible form.”

Noted Bryant and Mark Godsey, the Daniel P. and Judith L. Carmichael Professor of Law and Director of the Ohio Innocence Project, law faculty were excited and very committed to participating in this venture recognizing the increasing pressures on students in terms of debt and the impact of a slowing economy. As an important initiative of this year’s Faculty Staff Campaign, these efforts helped raise our faculty participation rate to 100%, making UC College of Law one of very few to achieve this high standard.

Timothy K. Armstrong, Professor of Law, was granted tenure and promoted to Professor of Law by the Board of Trustees of the University of Cincinnati, effective September 1, 2011.

Lin (Lynn) Bai, Associate Professor of Law, presented Sophisticated Investors, Complicated Derivatives, and Duties of Financial Institutions, as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop Series.
Marianna Brown Bettman, Professor of Clinical Law, Marianna Brown Bettman, Professor of Clinical Law, launched a new blog website, Legally Speaking Ohio, http://www.legallyspeakingohio.com/, which focuses on the Ohio Supreme Court. Bettman’s blogposts provide a three-part overview of Ohio Supreme Court cases. These overviews provide previews of significant cases set for oral argument at the Court, analyses of oral arguments and the justices’ questions, and analyses of the decisions once issued. Bettman also continued to publish her monthly newspaper column, Legally Speaking, which appears in both the Cincinnati Herald and the American Israelite.

Bettman delivered remarks and gave numerous presentations at events and conferences throughout Cincinnati and Ohio, including her annual presentation, Highlights of the Past Term of the Supreme Court of Ohio, to the Ohio Judicial Conference; her appearance on Newsmakers (Channel 12 television broadcast Oct. 23, 2011) with Dan Hurley to discuss State Issue One, which proposed extending the judicial retirement age, with Judge Pat Fischer; and comments to the Lawyer’s Club of Cincinnati and Ohio, including her events and conferences throughout Cincinnati on the most important cases of the Ohio Supreme Court’s 2010-2011 term.

Bettman chaired the Truman Scholarship Committee, which awards graduate study scholarships to college juniors with exceptional leadership potential who commit to careers in public service in the states of Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana. She also attended the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals Judicial Conference in Lexington, Kentucky as the delegate for the Hon. Martha Craig Daughtrey. Bettman organized Ohio Solicitor General Alexandra Schimmer’s visit to UC Law as the Harris Distinguished Practitioner. With Professor Barbara Black, Bettman also arranged for the visit of the Hon. Denise Cote of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, as part of the Harris Distinguished Practitioner Series. Additionally, she coordinated the annual Judge in Residence program at UC Law during the Spring 2012 semester, which this year featured the Hon. Randall Shepard (ret.) of the Indiana Supreme Court.

Louis Bilionis, Dean and Nippert Professor of Law, attended the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Association of American Law Schools, where discussion of his Fall 2012 course “Becoming a Professional,” collaboratively taught with Judith Wegner, Professor of Law and Dean Emeritus at the University of North Carolina School of Law, was featured at a plenary session on Innovations in Legal Education. Bilionis’ and Wegner’s joint course was taught simultaneously to students at both UC Law and UNC Law through the use of new media and technology.

Bilionis chaired the University of Cincinnati’s McMicken College of Arts and Sciences Decanal Search Committee. The Committee’s work resulted in the appointment of Ronald L. Jackson II, a native Cincinnatian and former professor of media and cultural studies and African American Studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, as McMicken’s new dean, effective July 1, 2012.

Barbara Black, Charles Hartsock Professor of Law and Director, Corporate Law Center, presented Arbitration of Investors’ Claims against Issuers: An Idea Whose Time Has Come? as part of the Midwest Corporate Scholars Conference in June 2011 at the Moritz College of Law at The Ohio State University in Columbus. The article was subsequently published in Law and Contemporary Problems at 75 L. & Contemp. Probs. 107 (2012). In March 2012, Black also presented The SEC and the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act: Combating Global Corruption is Not the SEC’s Mission, at OSU’s Moritz College of Law, as part of the Ohio State Law Journal Symposium, The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act at Thirty-Five and its Impact on Global Business; the paper will be published in a forthcoming symposium issue of the Ohio State Law Journal.

Black gave several other presentations, including: Regulation of Securities Professionals One Year after Dodd-Frank at the 2011 Securities Conference, sponsored by the Division of Securities of the Ohio Department of Commerce; Administrative Issues Involving the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act at Case Western Reserve University School of Law; a debate with Professor Adam Pritchard of the University School of Law; a debate with Professor Charles Hartsock of the University of Michigan Law School on The Curious Case of Carlyle…and Efforts to Shut Down Investor Access to Courts, Investors’ Perceptions of the Fairness of the SRO Securities Arbitration Process at the Legal Educators Colloquium of the ABA Section on Dispute Resolution Annual Meeting; and Does the FAA Reign Supreme? Concepcion and Class Waivers at the National Association of Shareholder and Consumer Attorneys Annual Meeting. Additionally, in May
2012, Black was invited to participate in the Fourth Annual Roundtable Discussion on Investment Funds held at Boston University School of Law, where distinguished scholars, practitioners, and industry representatives meet annually to discuss off-the-record developments in the regulation of mutual funds and investment companies. Also in May 2012, Black participated in the Eleventh Annual Conducting Empirical Research Workshop at the Gould School of Law at the University of Southern California.

Finally, as Director of UC Law’s Corporate Law Center, Black organized the highly regarded annual Corporate Law Symposium, which takes place every spring at UC Law. At the Spring 2012 Symposium, titled “Implementing the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act,” Black presented, “How the D.C. Circuit Detailed Investor Protection.” Papers presented at the Symposium will be published in a forthcoming issue of the University of Cincinnati Law Review.


Bryant participated in several debates on issues related to the Affordable Care Act, such as the constitutionality of its individual mandate provision (with Jack Painter, head of the Cincinnati Tea Party), and the severability of the individual mandate provision from the rest of the Act (with Ken Klukowski of Liberty University School of Law), as well as on the proper role of the judiciary (with Clark Neily of the Institute for Justice).

Paul L. Caron, Charles Hartsock Professor of Law, taught Tax I during Summer 2011 at the University of San Diego School of Law as the Herzog Summer Visiting Professor in Taxation. He spent the Spring 2012 semester teaching at Pepperdine University School of Law as the D&L Straus Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law.

For the sixth year in a row, Caron was named one of the 100 Most Influential People in Tax and Accounting by Accounting Today, the leading journal on the accounting profession. For the fourth year in a row, Caron’s TaxProf Blog was named to the ABA Journal’s list of the “100 best Web sites by lawyers, for lawyers, as chosen by the editors of the ABA Journal.” The ABA’s 2012 Blawg 100 selected Caron’s TaxProf Blog from more than 3,500 blogs written by law professors and lawyers. TaxProf Blog also was named “Best Law Professor Blog of 2011” by Dennis Kennedy in his annual “Blawggy Awards.”

Caron presented “Occupy the Estate Tax” in January 2012 at the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., at a joint meeting of the AALS Tax Section and AALS Trusts & Estates Section, as part of a panel, “Should We Tax Inherited Wealth?”, with Beverly Moran (Vanderbilt) and Rich Schmalbeck (Duke). Also at the AALS Annual Meeting, Caron was re-elected to a second two-year term on the Board of Directors of the Center for Computer-Assisted Legal Instruction (CALI), and he completed his two-year term on the AALS Standing Committee on Libraries and Technology. Caron participated in the Pepperdine Law Review Symposium, The Lawyer of the Future, where he moderated a panel, Training Future Lawyers, with Paul Carrington (Duke), Steven Gillers (NYU), Bill Henderson (Indiana), Jim Moliterno (Washington & Lee), and Deborah Rhode (Stanford). He also presented Estate Tax Politics, Law, and Policy at the University of San Diego School of Law.

In addition to dozens of SSRN Tax Law Abstracts e-journals, Caron published Tax Strategy Patents, 3 Colum. J. Tax L. Tax Matters 1 (2012), which generated invited replies from Ellen Aprill (Loyola-L.A.) and former ABA Tax Section Presidents Dennis B. Drapkin (Jones Day, Dallas) and William M. Paul (Covington & Burling, Washington, DC). Foundation Press’s Law Stories Series, of which Caron is Series Editor, published First Amendment Stories, by Richard W. Garnett (Notre Dame) and Andrew Koppelman (Northwestern); LexisNexis’ Graduate Tax Series, for which Caron serves as Series Editor, published Estate and Gift Taxation (2011), by Robert Danforth (Washington & Lee) and Brant Hellwig (South Carolina); Taxation and Business Planning for Real Estate Transactions (2012), by Bradley Border (Brooklyn); and Employee Benefits Law: Qualification and ERISA Requirements (2d ed. 2012), by Kathryn Kennedy (John Marshall) and Paul Shultz (IRS).


Felix Chang, Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, taught Torts, Agency, and Corporations at UC Law during the 2011-2012 academic year. A 2006 graduate of the University of Michigan Law School and formerly Investments
Counsel at Fifth Third Bank, Chang currently directs UC Law’s Institute for the Global Practice of Law (IGPL), which is an intensive four-week summer program for attorneys from other countries interested in U.S. law and international business transactions. Under Chang’s leadership, the IGPL began its second year in Summer 2012. Chang’s book Chinese Migrants in Russia, Central Asia, and Eastern Europe (Routledge 2011) (with Sunnie T. Rucker-Chang), was published in November 2011. Due to his expertise in both financial reform and China’s transition economies, Chang was invited in April 2012 to give a lecture, What Dodd-Frank Means for China, at George Washington University Law School’s International Law Society and East Asian Law Society Symposium, Perspectives on Chinese Law, in Washington, D.C.


Cogan presented The Laws of War in an Era of Asymmetric Conflict in November 2011 as part of the University of Cincinnati’s Life of the Mind Lecture Series, and The Regulatory Turn in International Law in February 2012 in Detroit, Michigan, as part of Wayne State University Law School’s International Law Speaker Series.


**Mark A. Godsey, Daniel P. Carmichael Professor of Law and Director, Lois and Richard Rosenthal Institute for Justice/Ohio Innocence Project,** and his team of Ohio Innocence Project (OIP) staff and students won the releases of three of their wrongly convicted clients. David Ayers was released in September 2011 after serving eleven years in prison for a murder DNA evidence proved he did not commit. Roger Dean Gillispie was released after serving twenty years in prison when a federal judge overturned Gillispie’s rape conviction in December 2011, and in April 2012, Godsey and his OIP staff and students won a decision from the Ohio’s Second District Court of Appeals that overturned Gillispie’s conviction on the ground that someone else likely committed the offense. And finally, Bryant “Rico” Gaines, was released from prison in March 2012 after serving nine years of a life sentence for a murder he did not commit.

Godsey was invited by universities and organizations around the world during 2011-2012 to offer his expertise on the innocence movement and American judicial system. He traveled to Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, France, Poland, and the Czech Republic. He also traveled throughout China, where he discussed wrongful convictions and the role of stare decisis in the American judicial system. Godsey gave several presentations on wrongful convictions here in Cincinnati and attended the Innocence Network’s Board of Directors Meeting in San Diego. In March 2012, Godsey moderated a debate at UC Law, organized by the Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice, between Professor Paul Butler (George Washington) and Mark Piepermeier (Hamilton County Prosecutor’s Office), on the question of Should Good People Become Prosecutors.


Finally, Godsey was quoted and/or featured in numerous newspapers, magazines, and media outlets, including the Cincinnati Enquirer, Columbus Dispatch, Dateline NBC, Dayton Daily News, Gannett News Service, WTDN Channel 2 News Cincinnati, U.S. Fed News, and WCPO Channel 9 News Cincinnati.
Lewis Goldfarb, Assistant Professor of Clinical Law and Director, Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic (ECDC), was granted reappointment and promotion to Associate Professor of Clinical Law by the Board of Trustees of the University of Cincinnati, effective August 2012.

Goldfarb, the ECDC, and the Duke Energy Legal Department collaboratively sponsored a pro bono event, Free Legal Advice to Better Your Business, at UC Law in September 2011. At this event, several Duke Energy and other local attorneys along with ECDC students provided free legal advice to small business owners. In April and May 2012, Goldfarb attended the Transactional Clinical Conference and the American Association of Law Schools Conference on Clinical Legal Education, both held in Los Angeles, California.

Goldfarb’s new book, Bulls, Bears, and the Ballot Box (Advantage Media Group 2012), co-authored with Bob Deitrick, is now in print. The book evaluates the economic performance of U.S. presidents and their political parties, spanning an 80-year era from the Great Depression of the late 1920s through today’s Great Recession.

Emily M.S. Houh, Associate Dean of Faculty, Gustavus Henry Wald Professor of the Law and Contracts, and Co-Director, Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice, traveled to San Francisco in June 2011 to participate in the Law and Society Association (LSA) Annual Meeting. There, as a member of LSA’s 2011 Annual Meeting Program Committee, she served on and chaired several panels. Also in June 2011, Houh attended the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) mid-year workshop, Women Rethinking Equality, in Washington, D.C. In August 2011, Houh and Professor Kristin Kalssem presented A “Law and Action Research” Study of Fringe Banking: From the Ground Up, which they are co-authoring, as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop Series. In January 2012, Houh attended the AALS Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., where she was elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the AALS Section on Contracts and the Executive Committee of the AALS Section on Law and Interpretation. Locally, Houh was invited during Summer 2011 to serve on the United Way of Greater Cincinnati’s Poverty Task Force; she is also a member of the Task Force’s Research Subcommittee.

At UC Law, Hirsh along with Reference Librarian James Hart, helped launch the new UC Law Faculty News Blog, http://ucfacultynews.wordpress.com/, which is edited by Professor Emily Houh.

Kenneth J. Hirsh, Director, Law Library and Information Technology and Professor of Clinical Law, presented at the American Association of Law Libraries annual meeting in Philadelphia in July 2011. In addition, he presented Introducing Students to Practice Technology: A Skills Course Proposal as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop Series. Hirsh also is a candidate for election to the Executive Board of the American Association of Law Libraries, the national professional organization of law libraries and librarians. The election will be held in November 2012 for a three-year term commencing in July 2013.

Hirsh, along with Reference Librarian James Hart, helped launch the new UC Law Faculty News Blog, http://ucfacultynews.wordpress.com/, which is edited by Professor Emily Houh.
Royall Professor of Law at Harvard Law School and author of numerous books and articles on family law and feminist legal theory.

Houh published *A Tribute to Dores McCree*, 16 Mich. J. Race & L. 151 (2011). Her article, “Cracking the Egg: Which Came First — Stigma or Affirmative Action?”, 96 Cal. L. Rev. 1299 (2008), co-authored with Angela Onwuachi-Willig (Charles M. and Marion J. Kierscht Professor of Law at the University of Iowa College of Law) and Mary E. Campbell (Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Iowa), was selected for inclusion in the new edition of Richard Delgado’s *Critical Race Theory: The Cutting Edge* (Richard Delgado ed., Temple U. Press forthcoming 2012).

In January 2012, Houh, in her capacity as Associate Dean of Faculty, launched UC Law’s new Faculty News Blog, http://ucfacultynews.wordpress.com, which she edits with assistance from Reference Librarian Jim Hart. Houh completed her term as Associate Dean of Faculty in June 2012.

Finally, Houh was awarded the 2012 Goldman Prize for Excellence in Teaching, the College’s highest teaching honor. Houh was also awarded the 2012 term as Associate Dean of Faculty in her capacity as Associate Dean of Faculty, launched UC Law’s new Faculty News Blog, http://ucfacultynews.wordpress.com, which she edits with assistance from Reference Librarian Jim Hart. Houh completed her term as Associate Dean of Faculty in June 2012.

In August 2011, Kalsem and Professor Emily Houh presented A “Law and Action Research” Study of Fringe Banking: From the Ground Up, which they are co-authoring, as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop Series. Kalsem was invited to speak in October 2011 at a symposium at Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa, on the question of: “What is social justice?”, as part of its Rosenfeld Program in Public Affairs, International Relations, and Human Rights, There, she discussed her work on Social Justice Feminism, 18 UCLA Women’s L.J. 131 (2010) (co-authored with Verna Williams).

UC Law’s Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice, which Kalsem directs with colleagues Emily Houh and Verna Williams, sponsored and co-sponsored numerous events during 2011-2012, which are detailed above (see brief for Emily Houh).

Kristin Kalsem, Professor of Law and Co-Director, Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice, published In Contempt: Nineteenth-Century Women, Law, and Literature (The Ohio State U. Press 2012). Additionally, her article, *Stumped: The Story of Stump v. Sparkman* (co-authored with Debora Threedy, Aden Ross & Laura Kessler) was accepted for publication and is forthcoming in volume 80 of the UMKC Law Review.

Kalsem served as chair and discussant of a panel, *Art and Intervention*, at the 2011 Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, which was held in June 2011 in San Francisco. In August 2011, Kalsem and Professor Emily Houh presented A “Law and Action Research” Study of Fringe Banking: From the Ground Up, which they are co-authoring, as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop Series. Kalsem was invited to speak in October 2011 at a symposium at Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa, on the question of: “What is social justice?”, as part of its Rosenfeld Program in Public Affairs, International Relations, and Human Rights, There, she discussed her work on Social Justice Feminism, 18 UCLA Women’s L.J. 131 (2010) (co-authored with Verna Williams).

Christo Lassiter, Professor of Law and Criminal Justice, was quoted by the Cincinnati Enquirer on numerous occasions, as well as the Boston Globe, about criminal and civil issues and court proceedings.

Elizabeth Lenhart, Assistant Professor of Practice, was granted reappointment and promotion to Associate Professor of Practice by the Board of Trustees of the University of Cincinnati, effective August 2012.

Lenhart presented a paper, *Emails, Narrative and A Midwife’s Tale: Historical Methodology, Attorney Correspondence and the “Story of the Case,”* at the International Legal Storytelling Conference, held in July 2011 in Denver, Colorado. She also presented The 17th Century Meets the Internet: Historical Documents as a Guide to 21st Century Online Legal Research as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop series, which is forthcoming in Legal Communication & Rhetoric: JALWD.

Lenhart also completed The Writing Exposes the Thinking: Collaborating with Doctrinal Faculty to Make Explicit Connections between 1L. Doctrinal Classes and Legal Writing, which she presented in September 2011 at the Central States Legal Writing Conference in Chicago.


Bert B. Lockwood, Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Director, Urban Morgan Institute for Human Rights, arranged for Michelle Alexander, Associate Professor of Law at The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law and author of The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness (The New Press 2010), to deliver the Urban Morgan Institute’s Butler Human Rights Lecture in October 2011.

The Pennsylvania Studies in Human Rights series of the University of Pennsylvania Press, of which Lockwood serves as series editor, published eleven new books in 2011-2012:

• Tobias Kelly, This Side of Silence: Human Rights, Torture, and the Recognition of Cruelty (U. Pa. Press 2011);
• Richard Price, Rainforest Warriors: Human Rights on Trial (U. Pa. Press 2011);
• Joel Quirk, The Anti-Slavery Project: From the Slave Trade to Human Trafficking (U. Pa. Press 2011);
• Human Rights in Our Own Backyard: Injustice and Resistance in the United States (William T. Armalnine et al. eds., U. Pa. Press 2011);
• Sexual Violence in Conflict Zones: From the Ancient World to the Era of Human Rights (Elizabeth D. Heineman ed., U. Pa. Press 2011);
• Gender and Culture at the Limit of Rights (Dorothy L. Hodgson ed., U. Pa. Press 2011);
• Forgotten Genocides: Oblivion, Denial, and Memory (Rene Lemarchand ed., U. Pa. Press 2011);
• Linda Camp Keith, Political Repression: Courts and the Law (U. Pa. Press 2012);
• Elaine R. Thomas, Immigration, Islam, and the Politics of Belonging in France: A Comparative Framework (U. Pa. Press 2012); and

Sean K. Mangan, Assistant Professor of Practice, joined the faculty at UC Law in Fall 2011 as an assistant professor of Practice. After graduating from University of Notre Dame with a B.A. in Government, Mangan served as an officer in the United States Marine Corps for four years, achieving the rank of captain. After leaving service, he attended the University of Virginia School of Law, where he served on Law Review. Mangan then practiced for several years in the D.C. area, Cincinnati, and Pittsburgh, where he gained expertise in the area of employment law and the representation of closely-held businesses. At UC Law, Mangan’s teaching focuses on the practice of law in non-litigation contexts, including contract drafting, client counseling, and corporate governance.

In November 2011, Mangan, along with Professor Marjorie Aaron, presented on the lawyer’s role and the basics of negotiation to McAuley High School students in their “Women In” program, designed to introduce young women to a range of professions.

Finally, Mangan was awarded the 2012 Goldman Prize for Excellence in Teaching, the College’s highest teaching honor.

Bradford C. Mank, James B. Helmer, Jr. Professor of Law, published several articles in 2011-2012, including:

• Standing in Monsanto Co. v. Geertson Seed Farms: Using Economic Injury as a Basis for Standing When Environmental Harm is Difficult to Prove, 115 Penn. St. L. Rev. 307 (2010);
• Reading the Standing Tea Leaves in American Electric Power v. Connecticut, 46 U. Rich. L. Rev. 543 (2012), which Mank also presented at the Second Annual Colloquium on Environmental Scholarship at Vermont Law School in September 2011; and

Mank’s article, Judge Posner’s “Practical” Theory of Standing, was accepted for publication and is forthcoming in volume 48 of the Houston Law Review. Mank presented Standing in Connecticut vs. American Electric Power to the law faculty as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop series. In March 2012, he presented Plaintiffs’ Standing in Federal Court as part of the Environmental Law in the Supreme Court Discussion Series, sponsored by the Harvard Environmental Law Society, at the Harvard Law School in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Stephanie Hunter McMahon, Associate Professor of Law, was granted promotion to Associate Professor of Law by the Board of Trustees of the University of Cincinnati, effective September 2011.


McMahon presented Joint and Several Tax Liability: I Do Not Think That Statute Means What You Think It Means to the law faculty as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop series. She also was appointed to a three-year term on the Ohio Commission on Certification of Attorneys as Specialists by the Ohio Supreme Court.

Kenyatta Mickles, Visiting Assistant Professor of Clinical Law, continues to direct UC Law’s Domestic Violence and Civil Protection Order Clinic. Over the course of several months,
she and her Clinic students developed, publicized, lobbied for, and presented to the Cincinnati City Council a resolution to declare protection from domestic violence a human right. The resolution, one of the first of its kind, was passed by City Council in October 2011.

In March 2012, Mickels co-presented at a teleconference, Freedom from Domestic Violence as a Human Right, which was sponsored by the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence and UC Law.

Finally, Mickles accepted an offer to join the UC Law faculty as an assistant professor of Clinical Law. She will continue to direct the Domestic Violence and Civil Protection Order Clinic, beginning in Fall 2012. Mickles has been directing the clinic on an interim basis as a visiting assistant professor of Clinical Law since Fall 2010.

**Douglas Mossman, MD, Director, Glenn M. Weaver Institute of Law & Psychiatry, published several articles and book chapters:**

- Should You Prescribe Medications For Family And Friends? 10 Current Psych. 41 (2011) (with H. M. Farrell & E. Gilday);
- Practicing Psychiatry via Skype: Medicolegal Considerations, 10 Current Psych. 30 (2011) (with Helen M. Farrell, MD);
- Facebook: Social Networking Meets Professional Duty, 11 Current Psych. 34 (2012) (with Helen M. Farrell); and


**Janet Moore, Visiting Assistant Professor of Law**, returned to the UC Law faculty for a second year as a visiting assistant professor of Law. She taught Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, and Evidence.

Moore presented her paper, Opening the Black Box: Democracy and Criminal Discovery Reform after Connick v. Thompson and Gargioli v. Ceballos, to the law faculty as part of UC Law’s 2011 Faculty Workshop series. Her paper was subsequently accepted for publication and is forthcoming in volume 77 of the Brooklyn Law Review. Another of Moore’s articles, Minority Overrepresentation in Criminal Justice Systems: Causes, Consequences, and Cures, is forthcoming in the Freedom Center Journal.

Moore accepted an offer to join the UC Law faculty as an assistant professor of Law, beginning in Fall 2012. Janet will continue to teach criminal law, criminal procedure, and evidence, as well as other related courses.

Finally, Moore was awarded the Goldman Prize for Excellence in Teaching, UC Law’s highest teaching honor.

**Darrell A. H. Miller, Associate Professor of Law**, published Guns, Inc.: Citizens United, McDonald, and the Future of Corporate Constitutional Rights, 86 NYU L. Rev. 887 (2011). His article, Historical Tests, (Mostly) Unbalanced Rights, and What the Seventh Amendment Can Teach Us about the Second, was accepted for publication and is forthcoming in volume 122 of the Yale Law Journal.

Miller gave several presentations at speakers’ series and conferences, including Historical Tests and Unbalanced Rights: What the Seventh Amendment Can Teach Us About the Second as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop series, and at Southwestern Law School in Los Angeles, as part of its Visiting Speaker Series; and a paper at a symposium, Thirteenth Amendment: Meaning, Enforcement, and Contemporary Implications, at Columbia Law School in New York, which will be published in a symposium issue of the Columbia Law Review. Miller also traveled to San Francisco in June 2011 to participate in the 2011 Law and Society Association (LSA) Annual Meeting, where he served on and chaired several panels.

Miller spent the Spring 2012 semester as a Visiting Professor of Law at Duke Law School, where he taught Civil Procedure.

Finally, Miller was awarded UC Law’s 2011 Harold C. Schott Scholarship Award, which recognizes outstanding research and scholarly achievement by a member of the faculty of the University of Cincinnati College of Law.

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Two of Mossman’s articles have been accepted for publication: When Forensic Examiners Disagree: Bias, or Just Inaccuracy? 18 Psychol., Pub. Policy & L. ____ (2012) and ‘Curbside’ Consults and Professional Liability, 11 Current Psych. 42 (2012).

Mossman made numerous presentations, including:
• Selling Meds for Competence Restoration: The Details Emerge or, Is this worth turning into a law review article?, as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop series;
• Mitigation and Nature versus Nurture at the Lincoln College of Technology, Florence, Kentucky;
• Incompetence to Maintain a Divorce Action: When Breaking up Is Odd To Do at the Dayton Psychiatry Society; and
• Three lectures: Dealing with Malingering, and Expert Witness Testimony, as a visiting scholar at the University of California–Davis and Napa State Hospital.

In October 2011, Mossman attended the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Psychiatry and Law in Boston, Massachusetts, where he was elected Treasurer of the organization. He also gave three presentations at the meeting: Selling Meds for Competence Restoration: The Details Emerge; How I Became a Researcher: Career Trajectories; and Wild Child? Assessing Risk of Pediatric Inpatient Aggression.

Finally, here at UC Law, the Center for Practice and Glenn M. Weaver Institute for Law and Psychiatry, which Mossman directs, held a day-long CLE, The Psyche at Work: Help for Lawyers’ Worries About Employee Mental Disorders, Trauma, and Violence, in December 2011.


Solimine participated in the drafting of and was a signatory to an amicus curiae brief of law professors that was filed in October 2011 in the U.S. Supreme Court case of First American Financial Corp. v. Edwards, no. 10-708, which involves the constitutional power of Congress to statutorily provide for a private party to have standing to bring suit, under the federal Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act. The amicus curiae brief cites his article, Congress, Separation of Powers, and Standing, 59 Case W. Res. L. Rev. 1023 (2009). Solimine also was a signatory to an amicus curiae brief of civil procedure professors filed in the U.S. Supreme Court case of Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum Co., no. 10-1491, which involves the civil liability of corporations under the federal Alien Tort Statute.

In November 2011, Solimine presented a paper, Congress, the Solicitor General, and the Path of Reapportionment Litigation, at a Case Western Reserve University School of Law Symposium, Baker v. Carr After 50 Years: Appraising the Reapportionment Revolution, at Case Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland. The paper will be published with other symposium papers in the Case Western Reserve Law Review.

Sandra F. Sperino, Associate Professor of Law, joined the UC Law faculty in July 2011 as an associate professor of Law. Prior to joining the UC faculty, she served on the faculty at Temple University’s Beasley School of Law. Sperino is a graduate of the University of Illinois College of Law, where she was editor-in-chief of the University of Illinois Law Review. After law school, she clerked for the Hon. Donald J. Stohr of the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri, and then practiced in the litigation and labor and employment departments at Lewis, Rice & Fingerish in St. Louis. Sperino teaches and writes prolifically in the areas of civil procedure, torts, and employment law.

Sperino published several articles in 2011-2012:
• Rethinking Discrimination Law, 110 Mich. L. Rev. 69 (2011);
• Framing Discrimination Law: Wal-Mart v. Dukes and Title VII, JURIST – Forum, Nov. 12, 2011; and
• Direct Employer Liability for Punitive Damages, 97 Iowa L. Rev. Bull. 34 (2012) (an invited response to Professor Joseph Seiner’s article, Punitive Damages, Due Process, and Employment Discrimination, 57 Iowa L. Rev. 473 (2011)).

Her article, Revitalizing State Employment Discrimination Law, was accepted for publication and is forthcoming in volume 19 of the George Mason Law Review. Additionally, Sperino coauthored an amicus brief (with Alex Long) in support of a petition for certiorari in Ketterer v. Yellow Transportation, 670 F.3d 644 (2012). She also served as a contributing editor for new editions of

Sperino gave several presentations during the academic year, including:

- **Statutory Proximate Cause**, as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop Series; at the University of Indiana Maurer School of Law in Bloomington; at the Sixth Annual Colloquium on Current Scholarship in Labor and Employment Law, co-hosted by Loyola Law School, Southwestern Law School, and UCLA School of Law; at Michigan State University College of Law’s Junior Faculty Workshop; and at the Junior Faculty Federal Courts Workshop held at Florida International University College of Law;

- **The Accumulation of Small Disadvantages**, at the Association of American Law Schools Mid-Year Workshop on Women Rethinking Equality, in Washington D.C., in June 2011;

- **Personal Jurisdiction Update**, at the UC Law Fall 2011 Continuing Legal Education Seminar; and

- **The ADAAA & Mental Health at the Psyche at Work CLE** presented by UC Law’s Glenn M. Weaver Institute for Law and Psychiatry and Center for Practice.

Finally, Sperino will serve as the president of the Association of American Law Schools Section on Employment Discrimination Law for the 2012-13 academic year.

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**Joseph P. Tomain, Dean Emeritus and the Wilbert & Helen Ziegler Professor of Law**, was elected a life member of The American Law Institute. He also served as a visiting professor in March 2012 at the University of Nancy 2 in Nancy, France.

Tomain published several articles, essays, and books, including:

- **Ending Dirty Energy Policy: Prelude to Climate Change** (Cambridge University Press 2011);

- **Our Generation’s Sputnik Moment**: Regulating Energy Innovation, 31 Utah Envtl. L. Rev. 389 (2011);

- **Energy Law** (with Judge Richard D. Cudahy) (2d ed. 2011);

- **Four Reasons Bipartisan Accountability Act Will Fail**, Op-Ed, Cincinnati Enquirer, November 1, 2011;

- **The Politics of Clean Energy: Moving beyond the Beltway**, 3 San Diego J. Climate & Energy L. 299 (2012);

- **Shadow Rates**, 51 Infrastructure 1 (Spring 2012); and,


Tomain gave several presentations:

- **Achieving Democracy: The Future of Government and Markets**, a book project, as part of UC Law’s Summer 2011 Faculty Workshop Series;

- **Smart Grid Innovation: Policy, Politics and Law**, at the Fourth Annual Conference, Competition and Regulation in Network Industries, in November 2011 at the Residence Palace, Brussels, Belgium; and


- **Visiting Professor, Nancy 2 University, Nancy, France (February 2012)**

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**Verna L. Williams, Professor of Law and Co-Director, Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice**, traveled to San Francisco in June 2011 to participate in the Law and Society Association Annual Meeting, where she served on and chaired several panels.

As part of the UC Law’s faculty exchange program, Williams presented excerpts from her book project at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law.

UC Law’s Center for Race, Gender, and Social Justice, which Williams directs with colleagues Emily Houh and Kristin Kalsem, sponsored and co-sponsored numerous events during 2011-2012, which are detailed above (see brief for Emily Houh).
Hearsay Alumni Announcements

Items highlighted include information received by June 30, 2012.

Jack Stith ’64, a partner at Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP, was named the 2012 recipient of the Ohio Bar Medal Award, the Ohio State Bar Association’s highest honor, at the annual convention in Cincinnati this spring. Stith has long been a leader in both the legal profession and the Cincinnati business community, and has substantial involvement with the nonprofit sector, both as a professional advisor and as a volunteer.

Stith served as outside general counsel for the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce (now the Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber) for nearly 20 years. In addition, he has been listed in every edition of The Best Lawyers in America® since 1993 in the area of corporate law. Stith has received numerous awards for professional excellence and community service. He has been a part of many civic, church-related, youth-oriented and other charitable activities, including The Greater Cincinnati Foundation, where he chaired the governing board for an unprecedented three years; the Dan Beard Council, Boy Scouts of America; the Cincinnati Museum Center; Cincinnati Arts Festival; Leadership Cincinnati; Cancer Family Care; and the Hyde Park Center for Older Adults. He currently serves as outside general counsel for World Choir Games 2012.

During his tenure as president of the OSBA, Stith oversaw the strategic plan that, as modified, is currently in operation, and he initiated an in-depth review of the OSBA’s constitution and other governance issues. A former president of the Cincinnati Bar Association, Stith is the former chair of the Supreme Court of Ohio Commission on Professionalism. He was also a member of the Founders’ Steering Committee for the Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers and a longtime member of the National Conference of Bar Presidents. He continues to serve on the Supreme Court of Ohio Task Force on Commercial Dockets.

Louis F. Gilligan ’68, senior partner/general counsel at Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL, received the Cincinnati Bar Association’s John P. Kiely Professionalism Award in May 2012. The award recognizes trial lawyers who possess outstanding trial skills and demonstrate the highest degree of professionalism, civility and ethical standards in their daily practice. Gilligan was named the 2012 Cincinnati Best Lawyers “Personal Injury Litigation — Defendants Lawyer of the Year,” and he has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America since 1989. He has been named to Ohio Super Lawyers since 2004. Gilligan was named a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers in 1985, and he has been an Advocate in the American Board of Trial Advocates since 1989, serving as president in 2012. Gilligan also received the 2011 Distinguished Alumni Award from the College of Law.

Ron McSwiney ’68 has retired as chief executive officer of Youth Haven, Collier County’s (FL) only residential emergency shelter for boys and girls ages 6-14 who have been removed from their homes due to abuse, neglect or abandonment.

1960s

Ron Joseph ’61, CEO of Joseph Auto Group, was honored with the 2011 Carl H. Linder Jr. Award for Entrepreneurial and Civic Spirit. This award goes annually to a leader whose business has been ranked on the Deloitte Cincinnati 100 list and whose efforts have made the community a better place to live.
1970s

James L. Malone ’70 was highlighted in Best Lawyers in America 2012 for the category Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants.

C. Francis Barrett ’71 was elected chairperson of the Board of Trustees for the University of Cincinnati in January 2012. Barrett is president and a founding member of the law firm Barrett & Weber.

G. Jack Donson ’71, partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, was named a “Top Ranked” attorney and a “Leader in their Field” in Litigation and Antitrust in the 2012 edition of Chambers USA. He was also named a 2012 Leading Lawyer by Cincinnati magazine.

Norman W. Gutmacher ’71, partner at Benesch Attorneys at Law, was named 2012 Lawyer of the Year in Real Estate Law — Cleveland by Best Lawyers.

Buck Niehoff ’72 retired as chairman of the University of Cincinnati Board of Trustees. Now nearly fully retired from his law practice at Peck, Shaffer and Williams, he is writing a book on Cincinnati’s role in presidential politics, biking as much as 200 miles a week, and raising money for UC.

The Hon. Mark Painter ’73 The Hon. Mark Painter ’73 was a presenter at the scribes Legal Writing Program held at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago earlier this year. He also donated copies of his book, The Legal Writer: 40 Rules for the Art of Legal Writing, to all incoming 1Ls, as well as current and incoming 2Ls and 3Ls. Finally, Judge Painter recently joined Manley Burke LPA as of counsel.

Mark Peroff ’73 joined Manatt, Phelps & Phillips LLP as partner in the firm’s Intellectual Property Practice Group. Peroff has extensive experience counseling clients in a wide variety of industries on the protection of their intellectual property rights and representing them in trademark, copyright and patent litigation.

John D. Blackburn ’74 is associate professor of legal environment of business at Fisher College of Business, Ohio State University. Professor Blackburn is a co-author of several leading textbooks on the integration of law and business, including Legal Environment of Business, Twelfth Edition (Pearson), Modern Business Law, Third Edition (McGraw-Hill), and Labor Relations: Law, Practice & Policy, Second Edition (Foundation Press). He has served as the editor-in-chief of the Journal of Legal Studies Education, and as a staff editor of the American Business Law Journal. Professor Blackburn has received the Best Article Award from the American Business Law Journal.

Hon. Philip Rose ’74 was selected as the Republican Representative for 87th House District to fill an open position until March 2012.

Kathleen M. Brinkman ’75, of counsel at Porter Wright, was recognized by Chambers USA as a 2012 “Leader in their Field.” She was recognized for the Litigation: White Collar Crime & Government Investigations category.

Mike Glassman ’76, a partner at Dinsmore & Shohl, was appointed to the firm’s board of directors. Glassman is a member of the firm’s Labor and Employment Department and chairs the Employment Law Practice Group. He has practiced management side labor and employment law for over 30 years.

Billy Martin ’76, who has now founded Martin and Geitner PLLC in Washington D.C., was hired by the U.S. House of Representatives Ethics Committee as outside counsel to handle an investigation involving Rep. Maxine Waters (D-Calif).

Trish Smitson ’77 was named CEO of The American Red Cross Regional Office (Cincinnati). Former partner-in-charge at Thompson Hine, Smitson is one of this region’s best known community volunteers, earning widespread recognition for supporting local women and diversity initiatives, and helping to promote downtown Cincinnati. Smitson made history at Thompson Hine as the first woman to sit on its executive committee, founder of its Women’s Initiative and its first female partner-in-charge. She retired from that role in 2010. She’s held board positions with the Greater Cincinnati Foundation, United Way of Greater Cincinnati and YWCA.

Susan Sullivan ’77 and John Williams ’78 have retired from the Ohio Attorney General’s Office with a combined total of 68 years of public service.

Timothy P. Reilly ’78, of counsel at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, was named a “Top Ranked” attorney and a “Leader in their Field” in Labor & Employment in the 2012 edition of Chambers USA.
Carolyn Taggart ’78, partner at Porter Wright, was recognized as Best Lawyer’s 2012 Cincinnati Product Liability Litigation- Defendants Lawyer of the Year. In addition to her position at Porter Wright, she serves as a faculty member for the Trial Advocacy program at the College of Law.

Thomas Coz ’79 was named the first safe environmental coordinator for children at the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. In this new program, Coz will oversee policies, procedures, and recommendations to protect children, working with the areas 214 parishes and 113 schools to assure adherence to the Decree on Children’s Protection.

Mary Claire Mahaney ’79, a retired lawyer, has won an eLit Awards for her novel “Osaka Heat.” She received a gold medal in the Romance category and the silver medal in the Multicultural Fiction category. Osaka Heat follows the story of an American widow who travels to Japan and becomes involved in a forbidden romance with a Japanese man.

1980s

Mark J. Stepaniak ’80, partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, was named a “Leader in their Field” in Labor & Employment in the 2012 edition of Chambers USA.

Michael J. Zavatsky ’80, partner at Taft Stettinius and Hollister LLP, was named a 2012 Leading Lawyer by Cincinnati magazine.

Ramona DeSalvo ’81 joined Nashville School of Law as instructor in Intellectual Property Law. DeSalvo has been in private practice since October 2008. In May 2010, she resumed operation of Vision Management, a company she founded to advise artists and songwriters.

Jack F. Fuchs ’82, partner at Thompson Hine LLP, was inducted as a Fellow for the American College of Employee Benefits Council (ACEBC). Fuchs focuses his practice on litigation involving ERISA and fiduciary issues. He is recognized in Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business in the area of Employee Benefits & Executive Compensation.

Eugene B. Lewis ’82, attorney at Chester Willcox & Saxbe LLP, was selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers in America 2012. His practice focuses on all aspects of family law.

Mark F. Muething ’84 was named chief operating officer for Great American’s Annuity and Supplemental Operations. He will also serve as COO for Great American Financial Resources (GAFRI), a wholly-owned subsidiary and will continue in his role as general counsel and executive vice president of GAFRI.

Judith Gracey ’85 was appointed to the Indigent Defense Advisory Commission by Michigan’s Governor Rick Snyder. The commission will study how to improve legal representation for the poor. Gracey is a sole practitioner of law in the areas of criminal, family, probate and estates, personal injury and contact law. She is also a commissioner on the Michigan Appellate Defender Commission.

Scott M. Doran ’86, a partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, was named a “Leader in their Field” in Natural Resources & Environmental in the 2012 edition of Chambers USA.

Pamela A. Fleenor ’86 joined Duncan, Hatcher, Hixon & Fleenor, P.C., a Chattanooga-based law firm. She practices primarily in the area of civil litigation, including personal injury, probate, and collections, and in the area of criminal defense, including DUIs. Fleenor is an adjunct faculty member of the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

W. Kelly Johnson ’86, a partner and chair of the White Collar and Government Investigations Practice Group at Porter Wright Morris & Arthur, was selected to serve as Interim Hamilton County (OH) Public Defender. Johnson brought more than 25 years of criminal law experience, in both the public and private sectors, to the role. His private practice focuses on white collar crime and civil and criminal forfeiture; he has extensive experience in cases involving fraud, money laundering, tax evasion, environment, and internet crimes. Prior to joining the firm, Johnson spent more than a decade in public service as an Assistant Federal Public Defender. His Public Defender duties included representing indigent criminal defendants in the federal courts in Cincinnati, Dayton and Northern
Kentucky and supervising the Cincinnati and Dayton Federal Public Defender offices. He is a past president of the Greater Cincinnati Criminal Defense Lawyers Association and the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. Johnson’s service to the Public Defender’s Office is being provided on a pro bono basis from Porter Wright.

Ralph W. Kohnen ’86, partner at Taft Stettinius and Hollister LLP, was listed as a 2012 Leading Lawyer by Cincinnati magazine.

Debbie Poplin ’86 began a new career in 2012 as U.S. District Court Clerk for East Tennessee. Formerly, she served as Knoxville, TN’s first female law director. In her new position she will supervise clerks in four offices that serve 41 counties around Tennessee’s Eastern District.

Harvey Cohen ’87, a partner at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, has been appointed to the Cedar Village Foundation Board of Trustees.

Doreen Canton ’88, partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP, was named a “Leader in the Field” for the Labor & Employment category in the 2012 edition of Chambers USA.

Julie Janson ’88, president of Duke Energy in Ohio and Kentucky, was named 2012 Chair of Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber. In her role at Duke Energy, Janson leads Duke Energy’s Ohio and Kentucky operations, serving approximately 1.2 million gas and electric customers. In addition to her leadership at the Chamber, Janson serves on the boards of the United Way of Greater Cincinnati, 3CDC and Northern Kentucky Tri-ED and is a member of the Cincinnati Business Committee.

Connie Pillich ’88 will run for Congress for the First or Second Congressional District. Pillich came to Cincinnati 23 years ago as an Air Force recruiter on the University of Cincinnati campus and then put herself through law school. She ran for a seat to represent the 28th District in 2006. One of her major legislative achievements was her sponsorship of a measure to give bonuses of up to $1,000 to veterans of the Persian Gulf War and the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Eric Kearney ’89 was elected to lead the caucus for Ohio state Senate Democrats.

Julie Galbraith ’93 and Sue Tatten ’92 returned home for the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Peace Corps in Washington, D.C. Ms. Galbraith, who served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Lesotho, and Ms. Tatten who served as a volunteer, trainer, and associate Peace Corps director in Botswana, participated in a Day of Advocacy on Capitol Hill on September 22, 2011, fifty years after the final congressional passage and signing of the Peace Corps Act of 1961.

The two UC College of Law grads went to the nation’s Capital with a message: Support legislation to honor and strengthen the Peace Corps’ mission of promoting peace and friendship around the world.

No strangers to women’s rights issues, both Ms. Tatten and Ms. Galbraith were active in the Urban Morgan Institute for Human Rights while at the College and served as interns with Women Helping Women. Ms. Tatten has obtained her LLM in International Law/Human Rights and has served as a senior rule of law advisor for the United Nations in Sudan and Liberia. Ms. Galbraith is a former staff attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Cincinnati. She currently serves on the board of directors for Friends of Lesotho, Inc., and in November she worked with the Jimmy Carter Work Project to build 100 houses at the earthquake epicenter in Haiti.

Julie Galbraith ’93 and Sue Tatten ’92
Michael L. Scheier ’91, partner at Keating Muething and Klekamp PLL, and colleague Benjamin G. Stewart prevailed in a complex breach of contract case where the Ohio First District Court of Appeals affirmed the 2009 money judgment and injunctive relief granted in favor of Covenant Dove LLC in the amount of $1,340,810.29.

Deborah Brenneman ’93, a partner at Thompson Hine LLP, was selected as a finalist for the 2011 Greater Cincinnati ATHENA Award. The award honors individuals who demonstrate excellence, creativity and initiative in their business or profession; provide valuable service by contributing time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the community; and actively assist women in realizing their full leadership potential. At Thompson Hine, Brenneman focuses her practice on representing management in all areas of employment law with an emphasis on preventive counseling, training, non-competition matters and employment litigation. Brenneman’s community activities are numerous. She is very active in the West Chester-Liberty Chamber Alliance and currently serves on the organization’s board of trustees.

Daniel G. Brown ’93 is now a partner at Latham & Watkins LLP.

Jack B. Harrison ’93 joined the Salmon P. Chase College of Law as an assistant professor. He will remain a member at Cors & Bassett, providing litigation services to clients of the firm.

Thomas B. Allen ’94, partner at Frost Brown Todd, was elected president of the Butler County Bar Association. He practices in the areas of governmental services, litigation, and labor and employment.

Christopher A. Mitchell ’94 joined Dickinson Wright’s Intellectual Property Group.

Claire V. Parrish ’95 has been named partner at Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL. She practices in the firm’s private client services practice group in the areas of estate planning, estate and trust administration, business succession planning, and taxation.

Rachael A. Rowe ’96 was named to a new role as executive partner at Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL. She will share responsibility for the day-to-day management of the firm.

Christopher Varner ’96 joined Evans Harrison Hackett, PLLC as a member. He focuses his practice in civil litigation, including business and contract disputes and insurance defense. He currently serves on the Tennessee Bar Association’s Board of Governors and is the president-elect of the Chattanooga Chapter of the Federal Bar Association.

Pamela Bracher ’97, director of Litigation for the Risk Management Department of U.S. Xpress, Inc., was a speaker at the 2012 Claims & Litigation Management Alliance Conference, held in March in California. She spoke on the topic of Dealing with Personal Injury Claims: A Pain in the Neck.

Eric G. Bruestle ’97, partner-in-charge at Roetzel & Andress, was named to Best Lawyers in America for Workers’ Compensation Law.

Tom M. Williams ’90, vice chair of the Labor, Employment and Employee Benefits Practice Group at Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC, was named the 2011 Louisville Peacemaker of the Year by Interfaith Paths to Peace (IPP), an interfaith peacemaking organization. Since 2004 he has been recognized by Chambers USA as a “Leader in Kentucky” in the field of labor and employment law. Williams has also served as president of the Louisville Bar Association. Active within the community, he has worked as board chair for the Leadership Louisville Center, has been a member of the Board of Interfaith Paths to Peace, and currently serves on the Board of the Thomas Merton Institute for Contemplative Living.
Karen Gaunt ’97 joined Dinsmore & Shohl as a partner and as the director of the firm’s Trademark, Copyright and Brand Strategies Groups.

Scott A. Kane ’97 was named managing partner of the Cincinnati office of Squire Sanders. Kane is a litigation partner with a focus on business and financial services-related litigation. He also represents debtors, creditors’ committees, and other clients in disputed matters in commercial bankruptcy cases and has worked on Enron, WorldCom, Lehman Brothers, and other large bankruptcies.

Charles E. Sieving ’97 was named executive vice president & general counsel of NextEra Energy, Inc., one of the nation’s leading electricity-related services companies. He has primary responsibility for the legal strategies and policies of the company and its subsidiaries, including legal compliance and ethics, corporate governance, corporate and project financing activities, mergers and acquisitions, and litigation.

Deborah L. Spranger ’97, vice chair of the Business and Finance Department and co-chair of the Life Sciences Practice Group at Saul Ewing LLP, was elected to the board of directors of the Chester County Keystone Innovation Zone, a program initiated by the Chester County Economic Development Council.

Kristy A. Bullock ’98 was promoted to shareholder at Flaster/Greenberg in the Philadelphia office. She is a member of the firm’s Intellectual Property and Litigation Practice group.

Christopher D. Cathey ’99 joined Roetzel & Andress as partner. A trial attorney with more than 12 years of litigation experience, he focuses his practice in business and commercial litigation, employment litigation and financial institution litigation.

Stephanie Jarvis ’99 joined the Fiesta Bowl in the newly created position of chief compliance officer/general counsel. Jarvis comes to the Fiesta Bowl from the Horizon League, where she served as associate commissioner/general counsel.

V. Brandon McGrath ’99 is partner at Bingham Greenbaum Doll LLP.

David Specter ’99, a former corporate lawyer, now devotes his time to learning the art and craft of winemaking.

Jennifer Wolf ’99 merged her Blue Ash, Ohio law firm with Sadler Breen Morash and Colby (Spokane, Wash.), creating a larger firm that specializes in software patents. One of her largest clients to date is Microsoft.

2000s

Brian Dershaw ’00 joined Taft Stettinius & Hollister as partner. He has broad experience serving as litigation counsel and outside general counsel for companies of all sizes. He has appeared in state and federal trial and appellate courts in discrimination, harassment, retaliation, wrongful discharge, non-compete, trade secret, and contract litigation. Dershaw was recognized as an Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Star by Cincinnati magazine in 2010, 2011, and 2012 and is a fellow of the Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers (CALL), Class X.

Jeffrey D. Goeppinger ’01 was elected partner at Ulmer & Berne LLP.

Arturo Martinez ’01 was named partner at Shutts & Bowen LLP. He practices in the areas of banking litigation (including asset recovery and financial torts), white-collar criminal defense and related forfeiture actions, Bank Secrecy Act compliance and money laundering prevention.

Teri E. Robins ’01 joined Robinson & Cole in the firm’s health law practice.

Jennifer (Reed) Singletary ’01,

Director — Special Projects, Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, was named West Virginia’s Young Lawyer of the Year.

Doug Feichtner ’02 is now partner at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP.

Rebekah E. Fisher ’02, partner at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis LLP, is also deputy practice group leader.

Craig Hoffman ’02 was elected partner at Baker & Hostetler. He is a member of the litigation group and concentrates his practice in complex business disputes, data privacy, information security and social media.
Katie Stenberg ’02, partner at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis LLP, is also the finance and restructuring practice group leader. She focuses on corporate restructuring, bankruptcy and commercial transactions.

Brian Tent ’02 is now partner at Dinsmore & Shohl LLP.

Danielle D’Addesa ’03 has been named partner at Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL. Her practice is concentrated in complex commercial litigation, primarily in ERISA defense, securities, and general corporate and business matters. She also has experience in False Claims Act and qui tam litigation, product liability/tort litigation, and mass tort litigation.

Angela Gates ’03 was named partner at DBL Law. She practices in the firm’s Banking & Commercial, Corporate and Real Estate Law practice groups. Gates currently serves as a board member for The Family Nurturing Center and is also a member of Leadership Northern Kentucky Class of 2011.

Tarik Haskins ’03, an associate with Morris Nichols Commercial Law Counseling Group, was awarded the 2011 COMMUNITY Service Award for the Multicultural Judges and Lawyers Section (MJL) of the Delaware State Bar Association. His legal practice focuses on mergers, acquisitions, loan transactions, capital formation, and on the areas of partnership, limited liability company and statutory trust law issues. He is a former law clerk to the Honorable E. Norman Veasey, Chief Justice of the Delaware Supreme Court.

Drew M. Hicks ’03 has been named partner at Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL. His practice is concentrated in the field of commercial litigation with an emphasis on financial banking litigation, securities litigation and arbitrations, as well as class actions.

Pat Lang ’03, Athens (OH) law director, is running for the congressional seat for Ohio’s 15th Congressional District.

Brian P. Muething ’03 has been named partner at Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL. His practice is primarily concentrated in the litigation and bankruptcy and reorganization areas.

Jennifer Pearson-Patsy ’03 was elected partner at Graydon Head. Patsy’s practice is in the areas of corporate law and real estate law. She is a member of the firm’s banking and financial services industry group and commercial real estate industry group.

Jason D. Tonne ’03 recently joined Frost Brown Todd as a member in the Entrepreneurial Business practice group. He practices in the areas of corporate law, real estate, zoning, and community association law.

Kevin Hoskins ’04 was named a partner at DBL Law. He practices in the firm’s Civil Litigation, Employment & Labor and Administrative Law service areas. He also serves on the junior board for Doug Pelfrey’s Kicks for Kids and was recently named a 2012 Rising Star by Super Lawyers Magazine.

Erica Gann Kitaev ’04 has been elected partner at Baker & Hostetler LLP.

Robert E. Richardson, Jr. ’05 was selected to serve as secretary of the board of trustees for the University of Cincinnati in January 2012. Richardson is the executive director and founder of the Coalition for Sustainable Communities, a nonprofit development corporation which invests in development projects that are sustainable for both the community and the environment. He serves as counsel with the law firm Branstetter, Stranch, & Jennings. His practice areas include labor and employment, personal injury and wrongful death, and class action litigation.

Yvette Simpson ’04 was elected to Cincinnati (OH) City Council in 2011. Since taking office in December 2011, Simpson was selected as vice chair of council’s Public Safety and Livable Communities committees. She was director of pre-law programs at Miami (OH) University.

Kevin Dineen ’05 joined Luxottica Group as counsel.

Major Jeanette E. (nee Pipkins) Skow ’05 was admitted to the Bar of the U.S. Supreme Court on Jan. 23 in Washington, D.C. Since graduation she has been serving as an Air Force judge advocate. She is currently stationed at Joint Base Andrews, Md., and travels the world as a legal advisor for Air Force aircraft accidents.
Vance V. VanDrake III ’05, patent attorney in the Intellectual Property Practice at Ulmer & Berne LLP, was elected president of the Greater Cincinnati Venture Association, an organization dedicated to sustaining the region’s entrepreneurial culture by connecting entrepreneurs and investors through a variety of programming and networking events. He has been a board member since 2011 and was the chair of the recent MobileXcincy conference. He was also recently named to the City of Cincinnati’s Small Business Advisory Council, a new commission that will guide city leaders on decisions relating to small business and economic development. VanDrake was selected as one of the 2011 “Top 40 Under 40” by the Cincinnati Business Courier and was recently selected as a 2012 Legacy finalist for the Next Generation of Leadership award.

Timothy L. Fox ’06 joined Black McCuskey Souers & Arbaugh, LPA as an associate.

John Ravasio ’06 was named labor relations and employment law manager at Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority/METRO.

Jeffrey M. Nye ’07, associate with Finney Stagnaro Saba & Patterson Co. LPA, joined the board of directors for the Autism Society of Greater Cincinnati. He will serve as secretary.

Barshauda Robinson ’07, deputy public defender for the Mohave County (AZ) Public Defender’s Office, was presented the Rising Star Award by the Arizona Public Defenders Association (APDA) last year.

Charles E. Baverman III ’08 has joined Dinsmore & Shohl as an associate.

Thaddeus H. Driscoll ’08 joined Frost Brown Todd’s Environmental Practice Group as an associate, focusing on environmental regulatory and litigation matters. Prior to joining FBT, Driscoll served for three years as an assistant attorney general in the Environmental Enforcement Section of the Ohio Attorney General’s Office. Driscoll also worked within the Major Appeals Group of the Ohio Attorney General’s Office, where he assisted in significant appellate litigation involving the State of Ohio.

Adam Eckstein ’08 joined Martin Tate, Morrow & Marston PC. as an attorney, focusing his practice in the area of litigation. Prior to joining Martin Tate, Mr. Eckstein served as the law clerk for Tennessee Supreme Court Justice Janice Holder.

Lindsey R. Gutierrez ’08 is an associate attorney with Cathy R. Cook Attorneys at Law. She focuses her practice in the areas of family law and criminal defense. While at the College of Law, Gutierrez was a member of the Moot Court Executive Honor Board, Immigration and Nationality Law Review, Human Rights Quarterly, and participated in the Indigent Defense Clinic through the Ohio Justice and Policy Center.

Maureen A. Bickley ’09 was named senior associate in the litigation department of Frost Brown Todd LLC. She represents and advises clients in a wide range of litigation areas, with a focus on product liability litigation and complex business litigation.

Pramila Kamath ’09 has joined Bricker & Eckler as a litigation associate.

Nicklaus McKeen ’09 joined Graydon Head as attorney in firms business and finance client service.

James Derek Mize ’09 is now an associate at Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle LLP in New York City.

Darren Ford ’10 has joined Graydon Head & Ritchey as an attorney.

Adrienne Caldwell ’10 is now juvenile defense attorney at the Council for Children’s Rights.

Richard Campbell ’10 joined Keating Muething & Klekamp PLLC’s Litigation Group as an associate.

Brian Fox ’10 joined Frost Brown Todd PLLC as an associate.

Jenna Hess ’10 is an associate in Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, West Virginia office. Her practice focuses on trials and appeals in the areas of class actions and mass torts, health care litigation, professional liability and commercial litigation. While at UC Law she served as both a published associate member and editor of the Immigration and Nationality Law Review. In addition, she clerked for the Honorable Cheryl A. Eifert of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia and worked as an intern to the Honorable John D. Holschuh of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

Daniel Knecht ’10 recently joined Graydon Head as an attorney in the firm’s litigation client service department. Prior to attending
law school, Knecht worked as an operations manager for a music distributor headquartered in Troy, Michigan. Before joining Graydon Head, he also worked as a project manager for the Garretson Resolution Group, Inc. in Cincinnati, Ohio where he managed the administration of complex mass tort settlements.

Peter J. O’Shea ’10 recently joined Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP as an associate in the Litigation practice group. A member of the Order of the Coif, O’Shea was executive editor of the University of Cincinnati Law Review. Before joining the firm, he clerked for the Honorable David L. Bunning of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky. He previously served as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Republic of Moldova.

John Thompson ’10 is now a human rights analyst for Maplecroft in Bath, UK. Maplecroft provides human rights risk analysis (and other areas) to companies invested in developing countries.

Luke Anderson ’11 joined Dinsmore & Shohl as an associate. He focuses his practice on business and fiduciary litigation.

Ross Bextermueller ’11 recently joined Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL as an attorney in the firm’s business representation and transactions practice group.

Anthony J. Bickel ’11 joined Dressman Benzinger LaVelle PSC as an associate in the firm’s Banking, Corporate, and Commercial Law practice groups. Prior to joining DBL, Bickel clerked in the legal department at The Kroger Co. During law school, Bickel was also on the Editorial Board of the Law Review and is a member of the Order of the Coif.

Taryn M. Filo ’11 has joined Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP as an associate in the Labor and Employment Group. A member of the Order of the Coif, she served as an associate member and the articles editor of the University of Cincinnati Law Review and worked as a judicial extern to the Honorable S. Arthur Spiegel in the U.S. District Court in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Jesse Jenike-Godshalk ’11 joined Dinsmore & Shohl as an associate in the firm’s litigation department and mass tort practice group.

Jennifer Downing Johnson ’11 joined Keating Muething & Klekamp PLL’s Labor & Employment Practice Group as an associate.

Nick Kowalski ’11 joined Burnett & Thompson as of counsel attorney.

Ken LeCroix ’11 has joined Faruki Ireland & Cox PLL as an associate. He is involved in various aspects of the firm’s complex business and commercial litigation practice. At the College of Law, LeCroix served as a citations editor of the University of Cincinnati Law Review and worked as a judicial extern to the Honorable S. Arthur Spiegel in the U.S. District Court in Cincinnati, Ohio. LeCroix also served for one semester as a judicial extern to Senior Judge S. Arthur Spiegel of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. LeCroix spent his final semester abroad, taking law school courses in Tokyo, while also working for General Electric’s Corporate Legal department in Japan.

Aisha H. Monem ’11 joined Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP as an associate. Monem is a member of Taft’s Labor & Employment practice group. She was a Law Review articles editor while at the College. In addition, she externed for Chief Judge Susan J. Dlott in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio.

Gabriel Moyer ’11 joined Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease as a staff attorney.

James M. Patrick ’11 has joined Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease as an associate in the Labor and Employment Group, working in the Cincinnati office. A member of the Order of the Coif, he served as the executive editor of the University of Cincinnati Law Review. In addition, Patrick served as a judicial extern to the Honorable David L. Bunning in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

Sarah Sanderson ’11 is now an associate attorney with Barbara J. Howard Co., L.P.A.

Emma L. Scharfenberger ’11, an attorney at Graydon Head, was elected to the board of trustees for Artworks, a non-profit arts organization that connects artists of all ages with opportunities in the arts through inspiring apprenticeships, community partnerships, and public art. Scharfenberger’s practice is focused on the areas of general corporate law and securities and financial transactions.

Jim Sproat ’11 is now an associate attorney at Player Law Firm, LLC.
Colleen Tersmette ’11 joined Frost Brown Todd as an associate in the Intellectual Property practice group. She focuses on patent prosecution in a variety of areas, including mechanical, electrical, and medical devices. A member of the Order of the Coif, she served as an associate member of the University of Cincinnati Law Review. Prior to joining the firm, Tersmette was a law clerk at Maginot, Moore & Beck LLP and General Electric.

Kate Ward ’11 joined Bingham Greenebaum Doll LLP as an associate.

Sarah Welcome ’11 joined the Indiana Dept. of Child Services as a staff attorney.

In Memoriam

We’ve learned that the following UC law graduates have passed away since our last report. Though gone, they won’t be forgotten. If you would like to honor their memory, you may send a contribution in their name to the Alumni Scholarship Fund. We will be sure to let their families know about your generosity. Individuals listed are those for which we have been notified up until June, 2012. All efforts have been made to verify this list; we apologize for any incorrect information.

Class of 1917
William S. Bundy was born in Norwood, and both his great-grandfather H.S. Bundy and his grandfather John P. Leedom, represented the old Tenth Ohio District in Congress. At the age of 10, Mr. Bundy’s father died, and subsequently in 1904, he moved with his mother to California. He spent three years there attending school, but in 1906 he returned to Ohio and then soon entered Culver Military Academy in Indiana. He finished his literary education at Ohio University in Athens. Afterwards, he studied law at the University of Cincinnati College of Law and graduated with a bachelor of laws in 1917.

In 1917, Mr. Bundy volunteered for service in the Navy and was assigned to the Bureau of Naval Intelligence at Norfolk, with the rank of Master of Arms, first class. He performed this service until December 1918. After his discharge, Mr. Bundy practiced law in Akron for a year or so.

Upon the election of Hon. Harry L. Davis as governor, Mr. Bundy became an executive clerk in the governor’s office at Columbus in January 1921, and performed those duties until December 15, 1922. He was then appointed a member of the Ohio Civil Service Commission.

Class of 1935
Calvin M. Vos, 99, a retired Air Force colonel who made significant advances in computerizing legal information when he was an officer in the Air Force Judge Advocate General’s Corps in the 1960s, has died. In 1961, Col. Vos was serving as head legal officer of the Air Force Finance Center near Denver when he was given the task of developing a computer-assisted form of data retrieval. According to a history of the Air Force JAG Corps, he battled resistance from many top officers, who thought automation would eliminate jobs. Nevertheless, Col. Vos managed to get his new program adopted in 1963. It proved to be faster and more accurate than manual methods of information retrieval and was later expanded throughout the government and became known as Federal Legal Information Through Electronics or FLITE.

After graduating from the University of Colorado in 1932 with a bachelor’s degree in physics, he received a law degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1935. He practiced law in Cincinnati before serving in the Army Air Forces during World War II. He was stationed in Alaska for much of the war.

After his military career, he worked briefly as a lawyer for NASA and later held civilian legal positions for the Defense Department at the Pentagon. When he retired at age 75, he received the secretary of defense’s Civilian Meritorious Service Medal. He continued to work as a consultant on legal databases and military law until he was 85.
Class of 1939

Daniel S. Reeves was born in Cincinnati, Ohio and received his law degree at the University of Cincinnati. He practiced law for 35 years. During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army in the European theatre. He retired from the Army as a Major. After retiring as a lawyer, he continued his education and became a doctor of Chiropractic. He maintained his office in Glendale, California.

Class of 1941

Albert Wettstein, a graduate of the University of Cincinnati College of Law, was an attorney for 70 years from 1941 until his death. He previously served as the Newtown Village Solicitor for 28 years. Mr. Wettstein served in the Merchant Marines from 1942-1946 and was a member of the Ohio Valley Chapter of the American Merchant Marine Veterans. He was a charter and lifetime member of the Anderson Township Historical Society and previously served as president and coordinator; currently, he was treasurer. He was a postcard enthusiast and member of the Greater Cincinnati Postcard Club.

Class of 1948

Thomas Henry Clark

Calvin W. Hutchins, age 90, recently of Columbus, Ohio, formerly of Ashtabula, Ohio, and Vero Beach, FL passed away. The Honorable Calvin W. Hutchins was born in Ashtabula and graduated from Ashtabula High School and received his pre-law degree from Miami University of Ohio. He then enlisted in the U.S. Navy and became a Marine pilot in the South Pacific during World War II. After his service to his country, he continued his education and received his law degree from the University of Cincinnati. While there, he met the love of his life, the late Anne Woeste. Anne and Cal were married and returned to live in Ashtabula where he practiced.

In 1952, he was elected Ashtabula County prosecuting attorney serving for four years. Immediately thereafter, he was elected Ashtabula County Juvenile/Probate Judge – a position he held until his retirement in 1985. In retirement, Anne and Cal enjoyed many years at their favorite “get-a-way” at Jack Lake in Canada. Cal and Anne were married for 60 years before Anne passed away in 2009.

Charles H. Jones of Hamilton died peacefully at the age of 92. He is a graduate of The Ohio State University and the University of Cincinnati College of Law. During World War II, he served in the Ardennes-Alsace, Central Europe and Rhineland campaigns including the Battle of the Bulge. He also completed over a year of active duty 1950-51 in the Korean Conflict. In 1971 he was promoted to brigadier general and appointed chief of staff of the Ohio Army National Guard. In 1973 he became commander of the Ohio Area Command and two years later promoted to major general. In 1982, the new Charles H. Jones National Guard Armory on Symmes Road was named in his honor, a rare distinction for a living person. In 1992 he was a selection for the Ohio National Guard Hall of Fame.

Charles H. Jones moved his family to Hamilton in 1949. He joined Champion Paper Company and rose to the position of secretary-treasurer. In 1970 he formed a law partnership, eventually becoming Baden, Jones, Schepar and Crehan. He was twice elected State Representative of Butler County from 1957 to 1962, including selection as one of the ten most outstanding representatives by his fellow legislators. He served four counties as an Ohio senator from 1963 through 1966.

William Stoll received his bachelor’s degree in economics from the University of Colorado and joined the U.S. Navy, serving during WWII. Upon his return from the war, he received his law degree from the University of Cincinnati. In 2010, Mr. Stoll retired from the practice of law, following 57 years of private practice in Springfield. He was a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, Clark County Bar Association, and was a charter member of the South Vienna Kiwanis Club. He was an active member of the United Church of South Vienna, where he served in many capacities. For many years, he and his family raised Hampshire Sheep.

Class of 1949

Norbert Joseph Bischoff of Erlanger passed away at the age of 89. He was an attorney-at-law with Bischoff Law Office. He was a graduate of Dayton High School, Xavier University, and the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and the Korean War and a member of the Bellevue/Dayton American Legion Post #153; Newport Optomists, Kentucky Bar Association, the Northern Kentucky Bar Association, the International Chili Society, and had at one time qualified for the world chili cook off.

John Robert Droeg[e] of Potomac, Maryland was born in Fort Thomas, Kentucky. He graduated from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio in 1943, where he was a member of the Sigma Chi Fraternity. He was a pilot in the U.S. Air Corps at the end of World War II, and after his service, entered law school at the University of Cincinnati’s College of Law. He received his LLB degree in 1949, and later a bachelor’s and juris doctor degrees. Mr. Droeg[e] was a member of the Ohio and D.C. bars, as well as the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mr. Droeg[e] joined Hot Shoppes, Inc. in 1956 as assistant real estate manager. He and another attorney formed the first in-house Legal Department for the company, which later became Marriott
Mr. Droege enjoyed sailing, automobiles, amateur radio, and building and flying radio-controlled model aircraft. Mr. and Mrs. Droege endowed the Droege Law Center at the University of Cincinnati College of Law, for the advanced studies of graduate lawyers and the many research efforts in the area of law now being promulgated at the College.

Richard “Dick” Franklin Shaw passed away at the age of 87. In World War II, Shaw spent two years with the B-17 92nd Bomb Group in England and French Morocco. He attended Miami University, was Phi Beta Kappa, and received a bachelor’s degree in business in 1947. He then attended the University of Cincinnati College of Law, receiving a juris doctor degree in 1949, placing second out of 518 who took the Ohio Bar Exam. He enjoyed a great career with Procter & Gamble in 35 years with the Comptroller, Legal and Personnel Administration Divisions.

Preston M. Simpson

Class of 1950

Richard K. Mittendorf was a veteran of World War II and attended the University of Cincinnati College of Law on the GI Bill. He practiced law for more than 40 years, including serving as a Hamilton County judge.

His many passions included: reading; history — the Civil War in particular; Newfoundland dogs; following automobile racing; drawing and painting; model ship building; and the outdoors, where he loved camping with his family and as a Boy Scout leader.

Genevieve “Genji” Pennington was proud of her nickname, taken from “The Tale of Genji,” the ancient Japanese work considered to be the world’s first novel. Mrs. Pennington was educated at the forerunner of Seven Hills School and benefited from the opportunities that opened up for women because of World War II. After her graduation from Vassar College, she returned home and received her degree at the University of Cincinnati College of Law.

Mrs. Pennington worked for 23 years as chief referee and deputy judge in Hamilton County Juvenile Court. She handled a docket that included traffic, child custody, paternity and abuse and neglect cases.

After her retirement from the bench in 1985, and with her own grandchildren in Vermont, Mrs. Pennington found surrogate grandchildren to read to at Kilgour School. She volunteered for several years as a reading tutor. Among her students were three sisters who lived in foster care. When their foster mother bought the girls a puppy, she let them name her. The girls named their puppy “Mrs. Pennington.”

John W. “Jack” Thomas, Sr., former member of the Ohio House of Representatives and longtime Hamilton attorney, has died. Mr. Thomas attended St. Ann’s school, Roosevelt Junior High and was a 1943 graduate of Hamilton High School. He excelled in argument and was a member of the debate team at Hamilton High. Following graduation, Mr. Thomas enlisted in the Navy and served in the South Pacific as a radio man aboard a seagoing tug. Mr. Thomas then entered Miami University on the G.I. Bill where he was also a member of the fraternity Delta Tau Delta. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Law in 1950 and went on to practice law in Hamilton for more than 50 years. During the 1960s and 70s, Mr. Thomas was very active in civic theater. His most notable performance was in the role of Matthew Brady in the play, “Inherit the Wind.”

Leon L. Wolf was a lifelong Cincinnatian, a WWII vet, a family man, a practicing attorney for 57 years, a story teller and profound lover of music, an unforgettable human being. He will be remembered and missed.

Class of 1951

Margaret “Bonnie” T. Sherman, age 84, a 52-year resident of Needles, California, passed away. She earned her law degree from the University of Cincinnati in 1951, interned at the City Prosecutor’s Office, and practiced real estate law before meeting Needles resident, Clarence "Sherm" Sherman. After marrying Sherm in 1959, she also fell in love with Needles and the Mohave Valley.

Sherman was a tireless goodwill ambassador for the Needles area, telling all who would listen of its charms and peaceful serenity. She delighted in showing friends and family sites of local significance, from ancient pictographs and petroglyphs to the Mystic Maze, Mojave River flood plain and various geological formations. She was fascinated by local Indian language, culture and customs, developing friendships with several members of the Mojave tribe.

Class of 1952

Ronald H. McDonnell, Jr. was born in Bellefontaine, Ohio and was a United States veteran of WWII serving in the IX Air Force Engineers in the ETO. He graduated from the UC College of Law in 1952 and practiced law for 40 years. At the time of his retirement, he was a partner in the firm of Altick & Corwin.

Vernon Wilson was a WWII veteran serving in the Philippines and in Japan. He attended Fairfield High School,
Miami University, and then the College of Law. He practiced law in Miamisburg specializing in domestic relations and probate court. In addition, he was city prosecutor from 1958 to 1964. He later served as judge in the Miamisburg Municipal Court. During his career he was on various civic committees and boards. He was most proud of his service in helping to incorporate the Christian radio station 93.7 WFCJ in 1958, remaining active on their board until the time of his death.

**Class of 1954**

Robert C. McIntosh, whose legal career spanned nearly 50 years, has passed away. A native Cincinnatian, he was a 1947 graduate of Withrow High School, and obtained both a bachelor’s degree and juris doctor from the University of Cincinnati. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar Association in 1954. He also attended the School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) of the Johns Hopkins University in Washington, D.C. and studied French civilization at the Sorbonne in Paris. He joined the Air Force in 1955 serving as First Lieutenant with Judge Advocate General’s Corps at Travis Air Base in California. Upon his return to Cincinnati, he became a partner of the law firm of McIntosh, McIntosh and Knabe with a specialty in defense litigation, business and probate law. The consummate gentleman, he will be remembered for his commitment to integrity and fairness. He supported historic preservation and enjoyed architecture, classical music, fine arts and French culture. Well traveled throughout the world, he especially enjoyed England and Western Europe. He maintained strong support for progressive political and social causes.

George Ellis Zimmerman was a graduate of the USAF Pilot School Class of 1942, the University of Dayton, and the University of Cincinnati College of Law. Mr. Zimmerman practiced law with Earle Moore, John Ensley, Gail Everman and Ray White before practicing solo from 1959 to 2007, when he retired. His practice concentrations were criminal law and personal injury. Despite an Air Force service injury that affected his hearing, George was a very effective and articulate lawyer who always imparted an air of dignity, professionalism, humor and wit. He represented several notorious persons during his career and was fond of telling of the time a new client asked his secretary if George was a criminal lawyer; she replied, “They think so, but they haven’t been able to prove it!” George was a member of the Dayton and Ohio Bar Associations.

**Class of 1957**

Charles Fleischmann III of Indian Hill, a great-grandson of Fleischmann Yeast Co. co-founder Charles Fleischmann and a longtime supporter and board member of major Cincinnati arts institutions, has died.

Mr. Fleischmann was the son of Julius Fleischmann Jr., best known for helping to establish the resort town of Naples, Fla., and Dorette Kruse Fleischmann, a civic leader and philanthropist. He also was the grandson of Julius Fleischmann, who became Cincinnati’s youngest mayor in 1900 at age 28, ran the family company and owned the Cincinnati Reds with brother Max.

In keeping with a long family history of philanthropy, Mr. Fleischmann, nicknamed “Skip,” was a generous donor to many arts and culture organizations along with his wife, Blair, who survives him. He served on the boards of institutions including the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, Cincinnati Opera, Cincinnati Ballet, Cincinnati Art Museum and Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park.

Richard T. Iwamoto was born and raised in Honolulu, Hawaii. He attended McKinley High School and later graduated from the University of Hawaii. Mr. Iwamoto served in the Army at Schofield Barracks. He married Rose (Hamada) and they moved to Ohio, where he attended the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He took a job as an attorney for the US Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C. Iwamoto retired after 30 years and moved to Huntington Beach, California. There, he enjoyed working part-time at the OC Law Library and also as a movie extra. He helped organize the McKinley Alumni Association of Los Angeles.

**Class of 1960**

Thomas R. Swisher received his bachelor’s degree from the University of Cincinnati and his juris doctor from the College of Law. As chief counsel of the Ohio Legislative Service Commission, he was the principal draftsman of the 1974 Ohio Criminal Code, its first revision since 1815, and was referred to as “a walking encyclopedia of the state’s criminal code.” He was also director of Research of the Ohio State Bar Foundation and the author of numerous books and articles on the law.

**Class of 1964**

Donald B. Ruben was a graduate of Columbus Academy, Middlebury College, and the College of Law. Before his career in criminal defense and civil rights law, he served as assistant Franklin County prosecutor and assistant attorney general under William B. Saxbe. Mr. Ruben’s experience in criminal defense law inspired a commitment to ending cannabis prohibition. He served on the NORML legal committee and published articles on states’ rights and medical marijuana. He served on the boards of rings of Hope, Ohio Dominican College, Citizens For A Better Skyline and was dedicated to advancing many community groups and causes.
Class of 1967

Dennis C. Larsen was a resident of Southbury, Connecticut at the time of his passing. He was a graduate of University of Dayton and the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He was a taxation lawyer and an Army veteran, serving as a captain in Panama training officers for the Vietnam War.

Class of 1968

Judge David William Burns of Coshocton, Ohio, passed away. Burns graduated from Coshocton High School, the University of Notre Dame, and the University of Cincinnati College of Law. He worked as an attorney for many years before becoming Juvenile Probate judge. He was affiliated with many organizations including, chairman of Coshocton Republican Party; the Board of Elections, Coshocton Foundation president, the Port Authority, Coshocton Country Club, Coshocton Elks Lodge #376, The American Red Cross, Coshocton City Board of Health, and President of the Coshocton County Bar Association.

Class of 1970

John Houser

Class of 1979

Kenneth D. Jameson died in the Indian Hill home he shared with his wife, and best friend of 35 years, Betsy. A cheerleader as he studied at The Ohio State University, Jameson remained a faithful Buckeye long after his 1975 graduation. He graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Law and was an active member of the Ohio Bar Association. He was a senior partner of Cohen, Todd, Kite, and Stanford.

Class of 1981

Lorraine Gongla Coppinger was born and raised in Jersey City, New Jersey. She graduated from Saint Peter’s College where she met her husband, Walter. They moved to Los Angeles, where she worked at a local bank while he completed his doctorate at UCLA. After they moved to Fairfield, Ohio, she attended the University of Cincinnati College of Law. She passed the bar while working for a local law firm, and then worked as an attorney for the LexisNexis Corporation in Dayton, Ohio for the rest of her career. After retiring, she and Walter moved to the Seattle area.

Class of 1988

Fred D. Hensley

Class of 1989

Gregory Joseph Claycomb

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