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7pm
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Boston, MA

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January 2000 (date & time TBA)
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Washington, DC
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Annual Law School Alumni Dinner
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Seaport Hotel
Boston, MA

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Donahue Lecture Series 2000

"States, the United States and Foreign Relations"
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The Hon. Sandra L. Lynch
Circuit Judge of the US Court of Appeals
Sargent Hall

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George T. Pfieger Professor of Law
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The excitement is just beginning. Take a look at this special section devoted to September’s dedication celebration marking the official opening of David J. Sargent Hall.

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I feel extremely fortunate that my first "From the Dean" message appears in this special dedication issue of Suffolk Law. David J. Sargent Hall, dedicated in September, is a new dean's dream—a setting that reflects the commitment of the Law School to achieve excellence in legal education. With its state-of-the-art classrooms and library, it serves as a platform from which students and faculty can fulfill their highest aspirations for teaching, learning and research. In addition, the positive publicity surrounding the opening of Sargent Hall serves our goal of promoting the national visibility of the Law School while maintaining and enhancing its traditional strengths and reputation.

The reunion dinner this fall was held at the Law School to give alumni the opportunity to experience the new building. They were tremendously enthusiastic, and several expressed sentiments similar to that of a class of 1969 graduate, who said, "I would give anything to be a Suffolk law student again!"

For those of you who have not been to the Law School recently, we hope that the following photographs and reports from the dedication ceremonies encourage you to come. When you do, please stop by the dean's office, as I look forward to meeting as many alumni as possible and to planning ways in which we can work together to advance the Law School. Bring along friends and professional colleagues or share copies of this magazine with them to help us spread the word about the good things going on at the Law School.

In closing, I want to convey my appreciation to Dean John Fenton, Jr., and Associate Dean/Acting Dean William Corbett, who have done so much over the last five years to put the school in such a positive position. They served so well during a crucial period of transition, including the planning, completion and official opening of the new building. We are indebted to them for their time, energy and foresight.

Very truly yours,

Robert H. Smith
Dean
NEW DEAN FOR A NEW ERA

The eight-month nationwide search is over. Robert H. Smith, a constitutional law and US Supreme Court expert, was chosen to head Suffolk University Law School by vote of the University's Board of Trustees on September 22.

Smith is no stranger to Boston's legal community. He was a professor at Boston College Law School for 24 years. During that time, he also served as acting dean and associate dean for academic affairs, and directed the Boston College Legal Assistance Bureau. Prior to joining Boston College, Smith served as supervising attorney and clinical fellow at the University of Chicago Law School's Mandel Legal Aid Clinic. He has long been involved in clinical education and conflict resolution.

Smith is a graduate of Wesleyan University and received his legal education at the University of Chicago Law School, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif.

"Robert Smith brings to Suffolk University Law School a breadth of knowledge and experience and a commitment to the values and principles upon which the Law School was founded," said President David J. Sargent. "He endorses the Law School's history of providing access to excellence in legal education and is deeply committed to continuing the advancement of the day and evening divisions."

"I am particularly excited and honored to be appointed dean of Suffolk University Law School because I share its vision of legal education as integrating theory and practice in developing skilled, ethical and service-oriented lawyers," said Smith. "There is a great feeling of momentum building at the Law School, and I look forward to being a part of it."

Smith succeeds John E. Fenton, Jr., who stepped down for medical reasons last year after four years as dean. Acting Dean William T. Corbett led the law school in the interim.

"We are fortunate to have as our new Law School dean a man who is deeply committed to providing students with the best possible legal education," said William J. O'Neill, Jr., chairman of the Suffolk University Board of Trustees. "In addition to his published works and his academic credentials, he also works hands on in mediation and shows a commitment to his community through his civic contributions."

Smith officially assumed his duties as dean in November. "The first few weeks have flown by, as I've immersed myself in getting to know the faculty, students, administrators and staff," said Smith. "People have been wonderful about welcoming me and introducing me to the issues of the day at the school. Acting Dean Bill Corbett has been particularly helpful in the transition."

Smith lives in Newtonville, Massachusetts, with his wife, Elizabeth Brereton Smith, and their three children.

Architect Wins Award for Sargent Hall

Tsoi/Kobus & Associates has received the 1999 International Masonry Institute New England Region Golden Trowel Award for designing Suffolk's David J. Sargent Hall.

Tsoi/Kobus won first place honors in the Educational Category/Colleges for its outstanding achievement in architectural design, construction and craftsmanship in masonry. The firm selected limestone as the primary cladding material for the new building because it conveys a sense of permanence and solidity which is associated with the American justice system. While the columns, strong cornice lines and detailing on the exterior recall buildings from our past, Tsoi/Kobus reinterpreted the details to give a contemporary freshness to the facade. Many of the carved or sculptured cornices and the columns in the entry portico are a stone substitute composed of fiberglass and cement. The same richness of the stone exterior facade is brought inside into the Great Hall, which rises four stories through the center of the building.

"The effect is that the Law School blends well with surrounding historical and mercantile buildings, yet simultaneously conveys a sense of openness and vitality that is characteristic of one of Boston's most respected law schools," said Ed Tsoi, principal of Tsoi/Kobus.

The fourth largest architectural firm in the Boston area, Tsoi/Kobus serves national and international clients, specializing in higher education, health care, commercial real estate, and research and development.
GEPHARDT ADDRESSES LAW SCHOOL GRADUATES

The Hon. Richard Gephardt, US Representative of the third Missouri Congressional District and Democratic Leader of the House of Representatives, was the featured speaker at Suffolk University Law School's commencement exercises on Sunday, May 23, at the FleetCenter in Boston.

Suffolk President David J. Sargent, upon awarding Gephardt the honorary Doctor of Laws degree, cited Gephardt for his distinguished leadership qualities and his role as one of the Democratic Party's chief strategists.

"From the very outset, you have always been a builder of coalitions, a seeker of consensus," said Sargent. "The son of a one-time milk truck driver, you have made it your life's work to unite Congress behind economic, trade, health care and social policies that are helping America's working families."

Other recipients of honorary degrees were Alice Gresham Bullock, dean of Howard University School of Law; James F. Linnehan, JD '56, a trustee of Suffolk University and former Massachusetts Assistant Attorney General; Michael E. Mone, president-elect of the American College of Trial Lawyers; and the Hon. John F. Tierney, JD '76, US Representative for the sixth Massachusetts District.

Roscoe Sandlin, at 58, was the oldest May graduate, as well as this year's student speaker. He was chosen by the Graduation Committee based on a speech he submitted. Sandlin was an evening student and graduated magna cum laude. He earned a BA in 1962 from Yale University and an MPA from Suffolk in 1992.

Serving as commencement alumni marshall was twenty-fifth anniversary class member the Hon. Richard A. Voke, JD '74, a former Massachusetts representative and a prominent local attorney.

COMMENCEMENT STATS

Total number of graduates was 449:
293 (day), 156 (evening)
Of total graduates, 51 percent were male/49 percent female
Average age of Law School graduate was:
28 (day), 34 (evening), 31 (all students)
Youngest Law School graduate was:
24 (day), 24 (evening)
Oldest Law School graduate was:
49 (day), 58 (evening)
Law School graduates represented:
24 states and 9 foreign countries
New JD/MSCJ Joint Degree

This fall a new degree is being offered jointly by the Law School and the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS). The JD/MSCJ is for students interested in working in the criminal justice system who also want knowledge of legal principles and techniques. The new degree attempts to bridge the traditionally distinctive fields of criminal justice and law. Education in both disciplines has become increasingly valuable in many areas of employment.

If you are interested in learning more about this new joint degree, contact the Law School admissions office at (617) 573-8144, or the CAS graduate admissions office at (617) 573-8302.

Suffolk's First Annual Juvenile Justice Conference

"Children on Trial—Understanding the Juvenile Justice System" was the title of a conference presented by the Law School's Juvenile Justice Center (JJC) and Advanced Legal Studies (ALS), in collaboration with the American Bar Association's Section of Litigation Children's Law Committee and its Juvenile Justice Center, the Boston Bar Association and the Youth Advocacy Project.

The conference, held in May at the Federal Reserve Bank in Boston, attracted national juvenile justice luminaries Randy Hertz, New York University School of Law professor; Vinny Schiraldi, director of the Center for Juvenile and Criminal Justice in Washington, DC; and James Bell, director of the Youth Law Center of San Francisco, CA, whose keynote speech received a standing ovation. Massachusetts juvenile court experts the Hon. Roderick Ireland, Supreme Judicial Court, and the Hon. Jay Blitzman, Middlesex County Juvenile Court, joined more than 250 attorneys to make the forum an extraordinary success.

"This program far exceeded my expectations, which were high," said Mary C. Calello, a conference attendee.

In addition, the JJC and ALS, in conjunction with the American Bar Association's Juvenile Justice Center, sponsored several regional training seminars this fall. They were attended by public defenders and bar advocates certified for delinquency case representation. The seminars were: "Role of Counsel, Bail and Detention Advocacy," at Suffolk; "Adolescent Development and Competency Evaluations," at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts; and "Dispositional Advocacy," at Stonehill College in Easton, Massachusetts.

For information regarding the second annual Juvenile Justice Conference or regional programs, please contact ALS at (617) 573-8627 or email klandry@admin.suffolk.edu.

Suffolk Five-Time Winner as Best Law School

For the fifth consecutive year, the readers of Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly selected Suffolk University Law School as the best law school in the state. Suffolk was chosen number one in the 1999 Readers' Choice Poll, with the runner-up spot going to Boston College Law School.

"We at Suffolk University Law School are thrilled by the overwhelming support of Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly readers," said President David J. Sargent. "This endorsement is particularly important to us because it comes from our colleagues in the legal profession.

In describing Suffolk as the ultimate winner, Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly wrote, "While Boston College Law School maintains a terrific reputation locally, Boston University School of Law boasts a nationally acclaimed faculty and Harvard Law School is, well, Harvard, our readers singled out Suffolk Law School as the best in the field. While voting for this category undoubtedly reflects the sheer number of Suffolk alumni practicing in the Massachusetts bar, most any attorney in Greater Boston will attest to Suffolk's impressive network of graduates, including numerous bar leaders and members of the judiciary. With the school's stunning new Tremont Street location now a permanent part of the downtown skyline, great things appear ahead for Suffolk as well."

According to another Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly survey (July 12, 1999), small-firm lawyers in the commonwealth are most likely not from Harvard, BC or BU...they're from Suffolk. Of the 3,000 survey participants chosen at random, the greatest number of respondents by a large margin were Suffolk alumni.

The same survey also revealed that Suffolk graduates stood out favorably in terms of income. Suffolk alumni at small firms reported an average income last year 51 percent higher than the average income reported by all respondents.

Stats for 1999 First-Years

This year's incoming class is the first in Sargent Hall. Here's a quick profile of the new students:

53% female / 47% male
15% students of color
40 states represented
22 foreign countries represented
200 colleges and universities represented

Incoming first-years get acquainted at Orientation.

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SEN. KENNEDY, COURT TV AND SUFFOLK HOST YOUTH VIOLENCE SUMMIT

Suffolk University Law School was in the national spotlight as Senator Edward M. Kennedy sponsored the "Massachusetts Youth Violence Summit: A Dialogue on Safer Schools and Neighborhoods" at Sargent Hall on September 13.

"The bells that have rung in the new school year have a more ominous tone this fall," said Kennedy. "In recent years, far too many children had good cause to fear violence. We all watched in shock and horror as we saw report after report of senseless violence involving schools and children. Now finally, in communities across America, citizens are coming together, demanding action, vowing to do all we can to break the cycle of violence in our schools and neighborhoods."

Kennedy was impressed by the large turnout at the Law School. Some 250 participants, guests and media representatives filled the first floor and atrium of Sargent Hall.

"We need to hear your ideas so that we can all work together to find the best way to prevent violence in Massachusetts," Kennedy said.

The senator was joined by Deputy US Attorney General Eric Holder, the number two official in the Department of Justice; Governor Paul Cellucci and Mayor Thomas Menino. Mayors from 15 other Massachusetts cities and numerous educators, students, community leaders, law enforcement officials and social workers were also in attendance to discuss ways to prevent and deal with youth violence. Carol Randolph of Court TV, in association with MediaOne, moderated a portion of the forum as part of the network's "Choices and Consequences" program, which aired October 16.

President David J. Sargent welcomes Court TV to Sargent Hall; behind him are (L-R) Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Deputy US Attorney General Eric Holder and Gov. Paul Cellucci.

"THIRTEEN CHILDREN DIE EVERY DAY FROM GUNSHOT WOUNDS—ONE COLUMBINE MASSACRE EACH DAY, EVERY DAY ACROSS THE UNITED STATES."

In Massachusetts, Kennedy said, 43,000 children witness serious violence in their homes each year. And more than 60,000 cases of child abuse and neglect are reported annually. Massachusetts is well below the national average when it comes to children killed by handguns, but Kennedy is still very concerned about access to guns.

"Thirteen children die every day from gunshot wounds—one Columbine massacre each day, every day across the United States," he stated.

Calling for stricter national gun laws, Kennedy chided his Congressional counterparts for yielding to the National Rifle Association. To make his point, he referred to a recent report showing that the number of people killed by handguns in all of New Zealand, Japan, Great Britain, Canada and Germany in one year equaled 366. The number killed in the United States in the same year was 9,390. "How many tragedies must families endure in communities across the country before Congress gets the message?" he asked.

Menino touted Boston's low crime rate, but cautioned against complacency. He advocated more jobs and services for kids. "We have to get real about this issue. Budget caps are fine, but we're forgetting about the human factor...Let's not blame the kids, let's blame the system we have in place. Our society is not giving them the services they need."

Preventing childhood victimization was the theme of Holder's comments. The Justice Department reported that last year, 33 percent of crime victims were children. Menino touted Boston's low crime rate, but cautioned against complacency. He advocated more jobs and services for kids. "We have to get real about this issue. Budget caps are fine, but we're forgetting about the human factor...Let's not blame the kids, let's blame the system we have in place. Our society is not giving them the services they need."

Panels and breakout sessions on parental involvement, mental health, child abuse and juvenile justice were held following the introductory speeches. The forum at Suffolk was the first state summit to follow up on "Safe from the Start," a national series of summits.
MESSAGE FROM THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

I share with the Board of Directors of the Law School Alumni Association a great desire to capitalize on the energy created by the dedication of David J. Sargent Hall. The structure itself must evoke pride in any alumni who enter. But no matter how beautiful, how many Internet connections, or how much majestic space the 120 Tremont Street edifice offers, we, as a law school, are nothing without our esteemed faculty and administration, our successful and honored alumni, and an exceptional student body. We are fortunate to have these elements as well.

We are all grateful to those who made this facility possible. I would ask all of our alumni to continue the momentum created at this landmark by offering support to Suffolk Law School as well as to each other. As the legal profession continues to experience a metamorphosis, many of us find ourselves wondering how to adapt our practices to the changes. Suffolk Law School's graduates pervade every discipline, including the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government, corporate counsel, as well as the gamut of law firms. An awareness that strong bonds among our alumni will also strengthen the bond between alumni and the school will allow Suffolk Law School to grow beyond the exceptional quality that exists today.

Elizabeth DiRusso, JD '92
President of the Law School Alumni Association

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___ Open Session on Monday, April 3, 2000
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I was admitted to the ______ bar in ________
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Class agents are needed for the following years:
- 1950-57
- 1959-67
- 1969-72
- 1974
- 1982

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If you plan to visit the new Sargent Hall, you must have an alumni identification card to gain entrance. To obtain one, please present the security office on the first floor of the Law School (120 Tremont Street) with a picture ID or old alumni card. A new card will be issued while you wait. The new building is open to all Law School alumni. We hope you will take advantage of its resources.

Alumni and Students Study Together at Oxford
"It couldn’t have been better," said John Gardner, JD ’31, about this year’s Oxford CLE Summer School. "I liked everything about it—the instruction, the lectures, and living and dining at the school. Anybody who went won’t forget it."

Following rave reviews for last year’s trip, this year’s comparative law study program in England attracted double the number of attendees. Six alumni, four students and several law faculty and staff members from Suffolk joined more than 50 participants from Missouri at Oxford University for the two-week course. The program is sponsored jointly by Suffolk’s Advanced Legal Studies (ALS) and the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law Continuing Legal Education.

Suffolk Professor Valerie Epps contributed to this year’s academic program, with her lecture “International Extradition: A Look at the Pinochet Case and Soering v. UK.”

The 92-year-old Gardner, of counsel at Charmoy, Stolzberg & Holiam, is already planning to return in August 2000. All Suffolk, alumni, students and professors are invited to register for next year’s Oxford program. Contact ALS for more information, at (617) 573-8627 or email klandry@admin.suffolk.edu.

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OUTSTANDING ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award is awarded annually to that alumnus/a who has made a significant contribution in the past year or over the past years to society and/or the legal profession and thereby achieved a level of distinction which has brought honor to Suffolk University Law School and himself/herself.

Nomination Statement: I, (nominator’s name & class)
hereby nominate the alumnus/a listed below for this year’s award:

Nominee(s) Name ____________________________________________ Class Year _______________________

Business Address ____________________________________________

Position/Title _______________________________________________

Specific contributions to society and/or the legal profession (describe in detail on separate piece of paper):

OUTSTANDING ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD

The Outstanding Alumni Service Award is awarded annually to that alumnus/a who has made a significant contribution in the past year or over the past years to the betterment of Suffolk University Law School.

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Business Address ____________________________________________

Position/Title _______________________________________________

Specific contributions to society and/or the legal profession (describe in detail on separate piece of paper):
THE TIES that Bind

Mike Riselli, JD '72
Jim Pressler, JD '74

Many people vow to keep in touch with classmates after graduation. But as the years go by, we lose track of one another. For Mike Riselli and Jim Pressler, who never met as students at Suffolk Law, starting a business together was something they never imagined.

Today, as partners, they're running a highly successful civil litigation practice, specializing in negligence and labor law, in Washington, DC.

Soon after graduation, Riselli, who grew up in Belmont, Massachusetts, took a job with the National Association of Government Employees/International Brotherhood of Police Officers in Washington. He worked for the police officer's national labor organization, representing individuals and union locals in labor arbitration, collective bargaining and unfair labor practice complaints.

MEANWHILE, RISELLI KEPT IN TOUCH WITH ASSOCIATE DEAN Bernard Ortwein, JD '72, a classmate and fellow Law Review member. When he began looking for an attorney to assist in his office, Ortwein recommended Pressler. When Pressler called Riselli to discuss the job, he was offered the position within an hour of their talking. "We just hit it off and I knew I wanted that job," said Pressler.

Career twists and turns eventually took Riselli away from the police job, but he and Pressler stayed in close contact. "We have always been like brothers. We both continued to do labor and employment work too, so it was easy to keep in touch," said Pressler.

Although Pressler had a great career working with the police, enjoying numerous responsibilities and garnering a tremendous amount of litigation experience, the pay was not good. He thought about starting his own business, and told Riselli about his ideas. One day, Riselli called and said, "Are you still planning to go into private practice? If so, how'd you like a partner?"

IN JUNE 1981, RISELLI & PRESSLER, PC, OPENED IN WASHINGTON. The economy was weak at the time, and they had no clients lined up when they opened for business. But they both did have excellent reputations with the police. "I had a belief we could make this fly," Pressler said. Today the firm regularly handles 300-350 active cases.

All of Riselli & Pressler's business has come via word-of-mouth. Pressler, who calls himself a "stickler for the little things," believes strongly in personal contact. For example, by the end of each day, he makes sure he has returned every phone call that came in for him that day. Success has been theirs—the two opened a second office in Fairfax, Virginia, this past year. Pressler does most of the mediation and dispute resolution work, while Riselli handles the labor and employment cases.

Pressler, who grew up in West Springfield, Massachusetts, enjoys the work, but finds the job all consuming and highly demanding. Most of the time, he works 12-hour days. But somehow he makes time for interests other than work.

Pressler renovated his house in 1993, doing most of the design work himself. The house took third place in the National Trust for Historic Preservation competition that year. He is also an accomplished photographer, and his work has been exhibited in art galleries.

RISELLI AND RICHARD LEON, JD '74, WERE INSTRUMENTAL IN founding the Washington, DC, chapter of the Suffolk Law School Alumni Association in the early 1980s. "I was running into a lot of people from Suffolk when I first moved to Washington, and it seemed like the natural thing to do," Riselli explained. Today, he continues to go to alumni association gatherings and especially likes to attend the annual Orioles vs. Red Sox game in Baltimore.

Riselli attributes the 18 years of success he and Pressler have witnessed at their firm to a shared business philosophy. "We both always believed in slow, steady growth and attention to individual clients. We never believed in throwing all of our eggs into one basket with one client."

He said that when they met in their 20s, they were "numb and dumb." Now in their 50s, they've had many successful cases, including a recent award of $3 million in back pay for police officials in the District of Columbia. "I don't know anyone who's stayed in business this long," said Riselli. It seems keeping in touch with Suffolk led these two, in part, down the path to a successful private practice.
The Printed WORD

Karlene Goller, JD '86

The Los Angeles Times was fortunate when Karlene Goller got a D in college calculus. It was soon thereafter that she ruled out a career in medicine.

Goller says because of poor math skills, she “fell into” law school. But that explanation doesn’t add up. You don’t get to be vice president of the legal department at the country’s largest daily newspaper without brains and determination.

After Middlebury College and Suffolk and Georgetown law schools, Goller launched her career as an associate with Cole, Raywid and Braverman, a communications law firm in Washington, DC. The first case she was exposed to was the first “must-carry” case involving the FCC and cable television. The US Supreme Court found that FCC rules requiring cable companies to carry local television stations were unconstitutional, violating the First Amendment. Goller was hooked.

FOUR YEARS LATER, IN 1990, GOLLER JOINED TIMES MIRROR Cable Television as corporate counsel. She’s moved up the ranks ever since. In 1993 she won the job of newsroom counsel for the LA Times, and a year later was promoted to assistant general counsel. In 1995 she was named associate general counsel of Times Mirror and the LA Times, and in 1998 rose to deputy general counsel.

Less than a year ago, Goller was promoted to vice president in the legal department and continues to serve as the paper’s lead counsel on all editorial and newsroom legal issues. Since many of her cases have landed in the media spotlight, she’s garnered national recognition as a First Amendment lawyer.

One of her most notable cases is also one of the most celebrated of the century—the OJ Simpson trial. The LA Times was the paper of record for that story. Goller says Judge Lance Ito came dangerously close to the edge on nearly every First Amendment issue. “On a daily basis we had access issues,” she said. When Ito attempted to ban television cameras from the courtroom, the Times led the charge. “There’s been a lot of fallout from that case,” she said. “What we call ‘judicial hysteria.’”

Goller is also concerned that journalism is being compromised in the courtroom, as reporters are increasingly asked to testify and reveal unpublished information about stories they’re covering. “There’s been an assault on the press by prosecutors to use the press as an arm of the government for discovery purposes,” she said.

IN JULY THE TIMES WON A LANDMARK DECISION, THE FIRST by a state high court, establishing the public’s right of access to civil court proceedings. Goller was in-house counsel for the newspaper when the trial judge closed proceedings in a case involving a contractual dispute between actor Clint Eastwood and his former companion, actress Sondra Locke. In the unanimous decision, Chief Justice Ronald George for the California Supreme Court said, “In either the civil or criminal courtroom, secrecy insulates the participants, masking impropriety, obscuring incompetence and concealing corruption.” Goller was deservedly proud. “It’s a really beautiful opinion and an important opinion, an ode to the First Amendment,” she said.

With cases like Simpson and Eastwood, Goller has earned a reputation—in a city not easily impressed—as a staunch defender of the First Amendment. Her drive is fueled by a passion for the printed word and those who create it: the journalists. “I admire so much what they do. I’m in awe of it, and honored to support them,” she said. “An editor once told me that the Times puts out every day more words than are in the New Testament...for just 25 cents. What could be better than that?”
A New Beginning

What transpired on three days in September will long be remembered as a turning point in the life of an institution and its community. It's being called the largest gathering of alumni in Suffolk University Law School's 93-year history. More than 3,000 people converged on Sargent Hall to take part.

Suffolk banners flew from poles on Tremont, Beacon, Cambridge and Bowdoin streets, announcing the Law School's celebration. On September 8, guests attended a welcome ceremony, building tours, high-tech demonstrations and a Boston Massacre trial reenactment. That evening at a gala reception, the building's seven floors were packed with more than 700 people enjoying music, hors d'oeuvres and even spontaneous dancing.

September 9 featured an alumni career panel discussion, a Donahue Lecture and more tours and demonstrations. An elegant black-tie dinner honoring President David J. Sargent was held that night at the Westin Copley Place Hotel. The highlight of the week was the September 10 formal academic convocation featuring US Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer.

Political leaders, government representatives, federal and state judges, academic and business leaders joined Suffolk faculty and students in attending dedication events. The majority of visitors to Sargent Hall were alumni, who came from all over the country to tour the building. They came from as far back as the class of 1928 through to the class of 1999. They came with a curiosity about their alma mater's new home and they went away with a renewed sense of pride in the Law School. Thousands came because they were invited to attend the opening of a new building. What they witnessed was the beginning of a new era for Suffolk University Law School.

"ONE EMOTION I'M SENSING IN PEOPLE TODAY IS PRIDE...IT'S A GRAND PERIOD IN THE HISTORY OF THE LAW SCHOOL."
Professor Clifford Elias, Dedication Committee Chair

Gleason Archer, Jr, son of Suffolk's founder, signing copies of the University history book.
Professor Joseph Franco shows off Sargent Hall's technological capabilities.

"I'M GLAD MY SISTER EVELYN AND I STAYED AT SUFFOLK LAW SCHOOL DURING THE WAR TO KEEP IT OPEN, OTHERWISE THERE WOULD BE NO SCHOOL. THAT'S THE TRUTH."

Dorothy "Dottie Mac" McNamara, at 89 years old

The Hon. Maura Sweeney Doyle, JD '81 (right) helps the Hon. Peter Agnes, JD '75, dress for his role as a judge in the Rex vs. Wemms reenactment.

"STANDING IN THE GRAND HALL OF THIS STATELY BUILDING, I FEEL A SENSE OF AWE--AND AT THE SAME TIME PRIDE--AT THE COMMITMENT OF SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL ALUMNI, WHO PLAYED A MAJOR PART IN MAKING SARGENT HALL A REALITY."

Elizabeth DiRusso, JD '92, Alumni Board President

Production manager Professor Joseph McEttrick (center) tips his hat to the many students, alumni and judges who took part in the reenactment of the Boston Massacre Trial, Rex vs. Wemms.
"IT'S A BUILDING TO BE PROUD OF."

Michael J. Duffy, JD '01

(L-R) Trustee Jeanne Hession, JD '56, DJD '74 (Hon.), and Professor Malcolm Donahue at the gala reception.

"THE TRADITION OF PUBLIC SERVICE THAT IS INSTILLED HERE IS ONE THAT THE GRADUATES CARRY FORWARD—THIS IS A POSITIVE THING FOR MASSACHUSETTS."

Governor Paul Cellucci

"I REMEMBER WHEN I STARTED LAW SCHOOL, BACK IN THE LATE FORTIES, WE HAD OUR CLASSES IN AN ASSEMBLY ROOM WITH DESKS, NOTHING LIKE THIS. THIS IS SOMETHING BEYOND ANYONE'S IMAGINATION."

Larry Cameron, JD '51, DJUR '67 (Hon.), Suffolk University Trustee
"THIS FIRST-RATE FACILITY WILL GENERATE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF ENTHUSIASM FOR THE SCHOOL AND THE FACULTY."

Jay Curley, JD '70

"THIS BUILDING IS REALLY THE PRODUCT NOT ONLY OF PRESIDENT SARGENT AND THE TRUSTEES, BUT OF THE LOYAL ALUMNI WHO CONTRIBUTED TOWARD EVERY BRICK IN SOME WAY...THAT'S JUST A WONDERFUL TESTAMENT TO A SCHOOL."

Stephen Breyer, Justice, US Supreme Court

"IT'S AN ENTIRELY NEW LAW SCHOOL."

Karrie Prentice, JD '01

(L-R) Richard Jacobson and Vice President Marguerite Dennis at the gala reception.

(L-R) Professors Dwight Golann and Mike Rustad join Dean John Deliso at the gala reception.
SARGENT'S NIGHT

A Time to Say Thank You

"Everyone is going to remember where they were on 9/9/99." — Jay Curley, JD '70.

As the invitation promised, September 9 was "A Time to Remember" for Suffolk University Law School. More than 1,000 guests attended the $1000-a-plate, black-tie dinner to celebrate the new building and pay tribute to the man who made it a reality, President David J. Sargent.

The attendance list reads like a who's who of Boston's legal, judicial and political communities. Two US senators, the governor, the mayor, state and federal judges and prominent attorneys and academics from across the country joined the Law School in celebration. Dressed in tuxedos and evening gowns, guests enjoyed an elegant five-course meal as they were entertained by a parade of notable speakers.

Chairman of the Board of Trustees William J. O'Neill, JD '74, kicked off the program thanking everyone for coming to honor Sargent.

"His strong leadership has been key in bringing the Law School to the position of prominence it enjoys today, which is made evident in the stately Sargent Hall," said O'Neill.

Following an invocation by Dr. Eleftheria Sidiropoulou of the Tremont Temple Baptist Church, Governor Paul Cellucci, LLD '99 (Hon.) was the first to speak. Joking about the proliferation of Suffolk graduates on Beacon Hill, he said, "As anyone who's ever worked at the State House will tell you, everyone went to Suffolk....Of the 15 nominees I've named, over one third have been Suffolk grads. Please don't tell my friends at BC."

Mayor Thomas Menino, LLD '94 (Hon.) praised the efforts of Suffolk trustee Gerard F. Doherty, JD '60, who co-chaired the event. "He touched everything but the third rail," Menino said. "I think Gerard, once again, has done a fabulous job." He also acknowledged Dean John E. Fenton, Jr., who, for medical reasons, was unable to attend the dedication events.

Doherty also spoke about Fenton and his great respect for him as a professor, mentor and friend. "His spirit pervades here tonight," Doherty said, eliciting a long round of applause. He then introduced his longtime friend Senator Edward M. Kennedy, DPA '64 (Hon.).

(L-R) President Sargent and Jim Morris, JD '71

"I THINK THIS DINNER IS THE BIGGEST ALUMNI EVENT WE'VE EVER HAD. IT SHOWS THAT ALUMNI WILL RALLY TO THE CAUSE."

Jim Morris, JD '71

(L-R) Sen. Edward Kennedy, DPA '64 (Hon.), and Gerard Doherty, JD '60

(L-R) Trustee Margaret Geraghty and Mayor Thomas Menino, LLD '94 (Hon.)
Kennedy, who flew in from Washington, DC, especially to make the keynote address, praised Sargent for his leadership of the Law School and the University.

"An institution is the reflected shadow of a great individual," said Kennedy, quoting Benjamin Franklin. "That individual is David Sargent." Kennedy talked about the similarities between his family and Suffolk. "In our family, we have always tried to knock down barriers...Suffolk Law School, at very critical times, has tried to offer opportunity."

Kennedy added, "This is a university of Boston, a university for Boston...We feel very much a part of the Suffolk family, and we hope that Suffolk feels that way about the Kennedys."

Kennedy was accompanied by his wife, Victoria Reggie Kennedy, who also received an honorary degree from Suffolk in 1998.

Senator John F. Kerry, LLD '97 (Hon.), and Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer, who received an honorary degree from the Law School the following day, were also in attendance.

Acting Dean William T. Corbett took the podium to introduce a seven-minute video about the building called "David J. Sargent Hall—A New Beginning." Corbett recognized the faculty, administrators and deans of the Law School. He added that when he was asked to step in as acting dean a year ago, he had mixed feelings. He was both honored and intimidated. "I knew that I would be occupying the same position that David [Sargent] had once held and that few people possess his eloquence and leadership capability."

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David J. Sargent, JD '54, LLD '78 (Hon.)

Suffolk University Law School has been educating lawyers for 93 years. For 48 of those years, one person has remained true. He is David J. Sargent.

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Massachusetts Senate President Thomas Birmingham

(L-R) Trustee Bob Crowe, BA '70, JD '73; Sen. John Kerry, LLD '97 (Hon.); and Trustee Nick Macaronis, JD '74

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AS A RECENT GRADUATE, SARGENT ASSUMED HE WOULD go into private practice and stay there. He did, with Kowal and Sargent, but only briefly. The pull of his alma mater proved too strong. He returned to Suffolk in 1957 as an adjunct law professor and soon achieved full professorship and tenure.

"I never imagined that I would teach, but it was an experience that turned out wonderfully for me," he recalls. Sargent was a popular and engaging teacher, specializing in wills, trusts and torts. His classroom presence is legendary among alumni, who to this day try to emulate his winning public speaking style.

During the 1960s and 1970s, the nation called upon Sargent's scholarship as it engaged in an intense debate on tort reform. He traveled throughout the country lecturing and debating before insurance, lawyer and consumer groups and became the national spokesman for the American Trial Lawyers Association as well as for most of the nation's state bar associations. He testified frequently before state legislative bodies throughout the nation as well as before congressional committees. He was building a reputation as a highly respected lawyer and academic.

SARGENT SERVED THREE TERMS AS CHAIRMAN OF THE Massachusetts Bar Association Committee on Trial Practice and was selected chairman of the Massachusetts Chief Justice's Commission on Court Reform and a member of the first Governor's Judicial Nominating Committee.

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In the video that followed, Sargents eloquence was evident, bringing the room to attentive silence. At the video's conclusion, Sargent took to the stage to address the crowd gathered in his honor. His words were nostalgic, humble and heartfelt.

"It doesn't seem possible that 26 months have passed since we met two levels below ground in a sand pit. We were mindful then that we were on historic ground, and we were committed to preserving that heritage. We vowed that we were going to build the most majestic, the most beautiful and most technologically advanced law school in the country. Although I believed those words when I said them, I never imagined how wonderfully it would turn out."

Sargent thanked his family, many of whom were in attendance, for their support over the years. He also recognized his "Suffolk family" (his colleagues, the trustees, and alumni) and the mayor for helping to make the building project come to fruition.

Sargent talked about the Law School's founding mission to be a beacon of educational opportunity. "Suffolk was practicing diversity back before that term had its present common usage," he said. He noted that at its inception, Suffolk was one of the only law schools to welcome working men and women from all walks of life—Catholics, Jews, African Americans and immigrants. "When I was dean, we didn't care about backgrounds, we cared about ability. We didn't ask where they came from, only what they could do," Sargent recalled.

He was obviously proud, and a little embarrassed, by the naming of the building in his honor. "Because so many others contributed so much, it is unseemly that one person should be singled out," he said. He credited Fenton for much of the early project planning.

Sargent, however, was the reason so many people came to the dinner. Close personal friends, colleagues and former students turned out in great numbers for his tribute.

"It's one of my great pleasures in life to be here this evening with our dear friends David and Shirley Sargent," said Helen Kinsley, whose late husband, Frederic Kinsley, graduated from the Law School in 1961. "David has done so much for Suffolk Law School and the community of Boston. And if my dear husband were living, he'd be one of the first ones to sing his praises here tonight...I think it is one of the greatest things that could happen to David," she said.
Some are calling September 9 the most memorable night in the Law School's history. As a fundraiser, it was the University's most successful, raising in excess of $1 million. As a gathering, it was an opportunity for Suffolk, once a regional law school, to showcase its best and brightest. The prominence and stature of those who came to show their support are a testament to the Law School's growing national prestige. Perhaps more importantly, the event inspired a new spirit about the future Suffolk University Law School in the hearts and minds of those who came together that evening.

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Trusted Nick Macaronis, JD '54, surrounded by students

David J. Sargent, JD '54, LLD '78 (Hon.)

IN 1972 SARGENT SOLIDIFIED HIS ALLEGIANCE TO THE LAW School when he took on the job of dean. During his tenure, the Law School experienced the most dynamic period in its history.

Sargent worked tirelessly to improve the quality of student life and gain Suffolk the national recognition and identity it deserved. Under his direction, the Law School increased its full-time faculty, expanded its facilities and attracted more students from throughout the country. And in 1977, Suffolk University Law School was granted full membership in the Association of American Law Schools. Suffolk recognized Sargent's outstanding leadership in 1978 with an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. When University President Daniel Perlman stepped down in 1989, Sargent was the obvious choice as successor.

With Sargent as president, Suffolk University has experienced a decade of tremendous growth. It has evolved from a predominantly commuter-based institution to a major urban university, serving students from across the country and around the world, with campuses in China, Spain and Senegal, West Africa. Closer to home, the University has satellite campuses at Cape Cod Community College and Merrimack College. Since its acquisition of the New England School of Art & Design, Suffolk has formed alliances with a number of institutions.

OTHER MILESTONES IN THE 1990S INCLUDE RECORD-breaking enrollments, the undertaking of the successful and most ambitious capital campaign in the University's history; the introduction of many new graduate programs, including the University's first doctoral program; and the opening of its first residence hall. Suffolk's campus, which once consisted only of the Archer Building, now encompasses a network of buildings in and around Beacon Hill.

With Sargent at the University's helm, the Law School is now the third largest in the nation and for five years running has been named best law school in Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly. But perhaps the crowning achievement of Sargent's presidency is the planning and construction of a new home for the Law School. A stunning success, the $70 million, 300,000-square-foot building is technologically the most advanced law school in the country.

"The reality far exceeds my conception," said Sargent. When asked what he likes best about the building, Sargent can't decide. It's too difficult for him—like choosing a favorite among his children. "It has accomplished everything I wanted and what everyone wanted in a building. It was a wish list that came true."

"PERHAPS ONLY GLEASON ARCHER, SUFFOLK'S FOUNDER, more profoundly influenced this institution than Sargent. "When I came to Suffolk 48 years ago, I began the greatest adventure of my life," Sargent said at the September 9 dinner in his honor. "It is a remarkable institution and I loved it from the first."

As a testament to his commitment to legal education, the bar and the public, his unwavering pursuit of academic excellence and his long service and dedication to the Law School and the University, the majestic new building will forever bear his name.

*ME TO SAY THANK YOU*

![Picture of event participants]
Plans for a ceremonial procession from the Donahue Building to Sargent Hall were scrapped as wind and rain pounded the East Coast. But this didn't keep hundreds from attending the academic convocation held inside the new building on Friday, September 10.

It was standing room only in the main lobby, and students lined the railings of the atrium on the second and third floors to hear US Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer, the keynote speaker.

Breyer's mood was festive and upbeat. He lauded Suffolk for its tradition of providing educational opportunity to people of all walks of life. "Suffolk's melting pot tradition was, and is, exemplary," he said.

Looking to the future, Breyer said, "The opening of a law school building, as we are doing today, calls attention to the need to maintain our remarkable legal institutions and pass them on to future generations in better form than we found them."

Breyer, who toured the building in August, was extremely impressed with its technological capabilities. "A teacher can stand in a classroom and, with the push of a button, pull down a screen and with great ease communicate with a courtroom across the country and another classroom around the world," he said.

In discussing today's judicial system, Breyer voiced concerns about backlogs, delays and access to legal advice. "We judges in America face serious problems—problems that inevitably deny justice to individuals." He called for an open discussion of common problems among judges, attorneys and educators around the world. "Suffolk Law School is ready to participate in this global legal exchange," said Breyer. "Suffolk University Law School makes no less than a promise to help meet the challenges I've just described."
Following Breyer, Governor Paul Cellucci and Mayor Thomas M. Menino, LLD '94 (Hon.), brought official greetings.

"If architecture is as the quote says 'frozen music,' then it is fitting that we are here today to sing the praises of a truly outstanding institution," said Cellucci.

Menino said, "Today is a new chapter in the distinguished history of Suffolk University...President Sargent, thank you for all you have done." He continued, "It is because of universities like Suffolk, training hardworking men and women, that people say we have the best brain power here in Boston."

Bernard Cardinal Law, archbishop of Boston, offered an invocation, adding in jest that he would make no lawyer jokes. "Those who study and teach here, may they always pursue the truth," he said. Law commended Suffolk for its higher-than-average percentage of alumni who work in public service careers. He praised the Law School for its commitment to serving the "common good."

Acting Dean William T. Corbett, JD '75, spoke about the effects of the new building on the Law School's public image. "Although our students have come from every state in the United States and from an increasingly greater number of foreign countries, the perception has been that we are a more regionally based law school. The move to Sargent Hall should put to rest that misperception."

Two students took part in the ceremonies. Nancy Bottari, JD '00, sang the national anthem and Student Bar Association President Kristin Cole, JD '00, was student speaker. "We who work diligently at our studies under the tutelage of uncompromising professors know the Law School has long been an outstanding legal training ground. Now its prestige is obvious for all to see in the face of this building," said Cole. She concluded saying, "We who are about to pass the bar salute you!

Honorary degrees were conferred upon the following: Breyer, Cellucci; Professor Charles E. Daye of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Suffolk Professor Clifford Elias; Rhode Island Supreme Court Justice Maureen M. McKenna Goldberg, JD '79; Assistant Secretary of State Harold Hongju Koh, Andrew C. Meyer, Jr., JD '74; then-Massachusetts Supreme Court Justice Margaret H. Marshall, who was recently made chief justice.

Menino cut the ribbon, ceremonially opening the building. And with that, the week's dedication events came to a close and life in Sargent Hall officially began. Sargent summed up, "We can now commence the true work of Suffolk University Law School—educating the attorneys of tomorrow—in a majestic temple of learning worthy of the intellectual discourse within its walls."

Honorary degree recipient and Rhode Island Supreme Court Justice Maureen McKenna Goldberg, JD '79
When people talk about Sargent Hall, “technologically advanced” is the phrase most often used. But as the Law School’s alumni, students, faculty and friends gathered this fall for the building’s dedication, words such as “warmth,” “spirit” and “community” joined the common characterization. For many, especially the students, Sargent Hall has given Suffolk University Law School a place to call home.

The Donahue Building was small, and it offered adequate space for classes, but it didn’t provide meeting and gathering places for students and faculty. Students congregated outside on Temple Street or in the halls. They came, attended classes, studied and left. The opportunity to connect was lacking.

When planners sat down to create the new building, communal space was at the top of their list. “A building is a vessel for people,” said Tsoi/Kobus Associates architect David Owens. “What we wanted to create was a real home that would help students bond with the Law School.”

Student input was sought very early in the process. During initial meetings–before architects spoke to faculty, administration or alumni–Owens said they interviewed the students. The effort is paying off. Students are talking about the new sense of community in Sargent Hall.

“Just the general feel of the building is nice,” said Karrie Prentice, JD ’01. “It feels like a smaller school even though it’s in a bigger building. There are lots of places to meet and sit and talk and big comfy chairs–It’s heaven.”

This urban school now has a living campus within the walls of the 300,000 square-foot Sargent Hall. Owens calls it a “vertical campus,” where each floor is like its own building.

“In the city, you can’t really have a campus–so the fourth floor is our campus,” said Michael J. Duffy, JD ’01. The fourth floor houses the cafeteria, moot courtrooms and an open common area. Students are often seen here sitting in upholstered armchairs checking email on their laptop computers, which are plugged into outlets on adjacent columns.

A September Boston Globe architectural review compared Sargent Hall to an “Italian Renaissance palazzo, the kind of architecture you find in the center of Florence.” During dedication week, as people filled the Great Hall and four-story central atrium, the building came alive. Visitors expressed delight at every turn as they wandered from room to room.

The 96,000-square-foot library occupies the upper three floors and can seat up to 880.
"People are using words like 'grand,' 'awesome' and 'majestic' to describe the building," said Professor Clifford Elias. "The one aspect that everyone is commenting on is the atrium. Without it, this would be just another office building. It's a space that allows us to bond and experience oneness."

Students and alumni also remarked on the building's functionality. "I took a course in this building over the summer and can attest to the positive attitude engendered by a profusion of natural light, gleaming surfaces and efficient work spaces," said Gina Braza, JD '00, who spoke at the dedication's welcoming ceremony.

"It's really user friendly, added Prentice. "It's a showpiece and undoubtedly a beautiful building, but it's absolutely accessible. It's obvious they built it with students in mind."

Stephen Viegas, JD '73, plans to take advantage of Sargent Hall's resources for alumni. "The library is a wonderful working space," he commented. "I'd like to pick up a library card myself."

Alumni who hadn't visited in years were drawn back in record numbers during dedication week. "It's a wonderful thing for Suffolk Law School," said Henry G. Mullowney, JD '43, who had Gleason Archer's brother Hiram for a constitutional law professor. Mullowney toured the building from top to bottom.

Jack Goldman, JD '28, couldn't imagine studying in such elegant surroundings, although he would have liked to. Goldman graduated on the eve of the Depression, when, he says, lawyers were "driving cabs just to make a living."

Dr. Gleason Archer, Jr., LLB '39, son of Suffolk's founder, supposed that his father and those who worked with him in the early years never pictured such a grand future for their evening law school. "He would have been stunned," Archer said. "I don't think the men who were there had any vision of where the school was going."

And of course, there's the technology. Suffolk's students and faculty have at their disposal cutting-edge teaching and research technologies. "I think it's mind boggling," said Archer. "They must have had a panel of geniuses to think up all the things in this building."

For tomorrow's young lawyers, technological know-how is a necessity. Duffy, who spent his first year in Donahue, appreciates the new computer facilities. "They blow the doors off the old computer labs. They're fantastic," said Duffy. "It's a world of difference—from just about any seat in the building, you can get on the Internet."

The Boston Globe was also impressed. "In Sargent Hall, you can do just about anything electronically," said the architectural review.

But computer wizardry aside, Sargent Hall is inspiring a new sense of spirit and community within the Law School. It's a feeling that is beginning to spread beyond the walls of the building. "As the third-largest law school in the United States, Suffolk Law deserves its new visibility as the flagship of the larger university. And a lot of things promise to work very well," noted the Boston Globe.

Sargent Hall is already living up to many of its promises. It is setting the stage for a bright and ambitious future. Perhaps Elias says it best in a video about the building. "If you really want to know what this building is going to do for us—it's going to make us better."
VIEWPOINT: A Site Steeped in BOSTON HISTORY

by Professor Joseph P. McEttrick

If they could visit Sargent Hall for just one day, the former denizens of its site on Tremont Street would feel right at home in the company of the legal scholars therein, although perhaps befuddled by the path the law has taken.

In Colonial times, what is now Tremont Street was the "highway" that led to the "Common, or Training Field." Early houses and gardens shared the site now occupied by Sargent Hall with a coachmaker, linen draper and apothecary.

In 1753, the site, much of which had been consolidated by the Willard and Clarke families, was sold to the Province of Massachusetts. The land purchase followed passage of a bill lending government support to linen manufacturing, which had been co-sponsored by William Phillips. Phillips and the Clarke family interests would later come head-to-head in the Boston Tea Party.

By the mid-1760s, Boston was in an economic slump that was felt in the West Indies trade routes. The British Parliament increased duties on sugar and other goods to help pay for the French and Indian War, which had ended in 1763. It also ordered strict enforcement of the customs law.

Parliament's enactment of the 1765 Stamp Act and duties on paper, lead, glass and tea provoked the founding of the Sons of Liberty, boycotts and sporadic street violence in Boston. London landed troops in Boston on October 1, 1768, and their commander, Lt. Col. Dalrymple, sought to use the Manufactory House and Faneuil Hall as barracks.

Governor Francis Bernard had concluded that the families living in Manufactory House could be legally evicted, but when Dalrymple attempted to oust them October 1, they refused to leave.

Two weeks later, the Suffolk County sheriff and two deputies again attempted to evict the occupants and were rebuffed. Lieutenant Governor and Chief Justice Thomas Hutchinson then accompanied the sheriff to the Manufactory House to tell the occupants they were legally obligated to surrender possession. They refused to do so.

Around midnight on October 20, the sheriff, his force of deputies and British troops proceeded to the yard of the Manufactory House but were rebuffed once again by Superintendent Elisha Brown and the besieged occupants.

Then the sheriff noticed a resident emerging from a cellar window the occupants had been using to come and go from the building. Troops with loaded muskets and fixed bayonets entered the cellar,
where they held their position for several days as sentries in the yard kept food from being delivered to the occupants. A large crowd cursed the soldiers but did not offer further resistance. The standoff ended after several days when the sheriff withdrew his soldiers.

Despite the brave stand of the Manufactory House residents, the British eventually took over the building for use as a barracks. It was to the Manufactory House that the British casualties of the Battle of Bunker Hill were taken on June 17, 1775, to lie wounded and besieged in the red brick building to which they had once laid siege.

TIES TO THE TEA PARTY

William Clarke's family had controlled much of the future Sargent Hall site before the 1753 purchase by the Province of Massachusetts Bay. Although both families had supported the Manufactory House project, the loyalist Clarkes and the patriot Phillips would lead opposing sides over British taxes on tea and other imports.

William Phillips, Sr., joined a merchants' committee to bring pressure on other merchants to comply with a plan not to handle certain goods entering the port of Boston until Parliament removed duties on glass, paper, paint and tea. Meanwhile, the firm of Richard Clarke & Sons was chosen as one of three merchant houses to which the East India Company would consign its tea.

There were several confrontations between the patriots and the Clarke family, and on December 14, more than 300 chests of expensive East India Company tea were tossed into Boston Harbor, including a consignment for Richard Clarke & Sons. Clarke eventually left Boston and died in England.

POST-WAR PRIVATIZATION

After the war, in 1784, the Massachusetts General Court approved "An Act to Establish a Bank in This State and to Incorporate the Subscribers Thereto." The Manufactory House was conveyed to the bank shortly thereafter. The Massachusetts Bank is the corporate ancestor of the First National Bank of Boston, hence, of BankBoston, and the building became the birthplace of Boston's modern financial and investment industry.

William Phillips, Sr., and his son, William Phillips, Jr., would both serve as presidents of the Massachusetts Bank.

FAMILY TREE

After the British were driven from Boston, William Phillips, Sr., became active in Boston politics, business and the affairs of the Massachusetts Bank. He was a delegate to the Massachusetts convention of 1780, which adopted the state constitution drafted by John Adams. That document became the model for the US Constitution.

Phillips and his family contributed much time and treasure to Phillips Academy in Andover, founded by his brothers, Samuel and John Phillips.

William Phillips, Jr., a president of the Massachusetts Bank, served as a trustee and president of the board of Phillips Academy. He was a representative in the General Court, lieutenant governor of Massachusetts and a state senator.

Phillips' daughter Abigail had married Josiah Quincy, a fervent member of the sons of Liberty and an accomplished trial lawyer. In 1770, with John Adams and Sampson Blowers, he successfully defended the British soldiers accused of murder in the 1770 Boston Massacre.

Quincy's son, also named Josiah, eventually inherited a store and dwelling at the site of what is now the Sargent Hall cornerstone. He, like his father, pursued the law. His statue stands before the Old City Hall on School Street, and the granite pedestal memorializes his accomplishments: Massachusetts state senator, congressman, Municipal Court judge, mayor of Boston. As president of Harvard College, he established Harvard Law School as an academic professional school, preparing young lawyers in the classroom rather than by the traditional apprenticeship method.

FROM MAKING LINEN TO MOLDING LAWYERS

In 1794, the Massachusetts Bank sold the Manufactory House to William Phillips, Jr., who razed the building some years later. Subsequent buildings were replaced by 1882 with the six-story Phillips building. On December 30, 1993, Suffolk University took title to the Sargent Hall site, and the new building opened to Suffolk University Law School students in summer 1999.

The history of the Sargent Hall site exemplifies how people, institutions, buildings and the land inevitably change over time in response to physical, social, political and economic environments. This place chosen for Suffolk University Law School's new Sargent Hall has seen centuries of change: an entrepreneurial spirit that spanned an ocean and a continent; love of law, learning and history; community service; economic and financial development; political and social change; the costs of war; and the benefits of peace. May those who teach and study here now learn from those who have gone before.
CAREER CONNECTION:
ALUMNI SHARE
Career Advice

Don’t choose a job for the money, do something you love and lead a balanced life. These were some of the words of advice from alumni who made up the career panel presentation at this fall’s dedication celebration.

Many of the alumni knew from a young age that they wanted to be lawyers, while others candidly told stories of unsure career paths that eventually led them to the law. But no matter how they got to where they are today, all of the panelists shared an affinity for the Law School. For the students in the audience, the alumni also gave insight and advice on how to make it through law school, and how to land a job after graduation.


Perretta, an associate justice of the appeals court of Massachusetts since 1978, said, “My closest friends today are still the members of my Law School study group.” Kelly, on the other hand, who had most of the room laughing, couldn’t remember having a study group. He currently practices in the firm of Kelly & Campo in Manhattan. Kelly is a former assistant district attorney, has been involved in numerous high-profile criminal, corporate and civil litigation suits and was the lead attorney in the civil case representing the estate of Nicole Brown Simpson.

Perretta recommended clerking as a good first experience in the courts. Nineteen of her 22 judicial clerks were Suffolk graduates.

Hopkins has worked for the FBI as a special agent, in the district attorney’s office and in private practice. Presently she is corporate counsel for the city of Boston. In hindsight, she sees three “guiding points” that got her to where she is today. First, she says, always keep an open mind. “There is no wrong or right way to proceed.” Second, “Be financially flexible—do not decide on a job simply because of the paycheck.” Third, “Get involved with the community somehow. Find a niche that you’re interested in, whether it be at the local, national, international or cultural level.”

McCallum, who is a partner of Flanagan, Herr and McCallum, LLP, in Boston, specializes in domestic relations and probate litigation. He previously worked in a firm of 15 to 20 people. The small size allowed him to learn the ins and outs of the profession, and also how to generate business for a firm. He said he could never practice on his own because he likes to come back from court and “have people to bounce things off of and discuss the trial with.” He advised, “Never forget about Suffolk. I still seek out faculty members for advice.” He said to keep an open mind about areas of practice. “I never thought I would be doing domestic relations work,” he explained.

As Sierra Leone’s Ambassador to the United States, Leigh advised, “Take part in as many competitive activities as you can in school.” Leigh was a prominent leader in the restoration of Sierra Leone’s elected government in 1998. He came to the United States to study because he wanted to bring democratic principles back to his country. “As long as I enjoy the work and feel challenged, I will do it. The money will follow if you do what you like.”

Wright is a member of the Native American Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head, Aquinnah, on Martha’s Vineyard. She, like Leigh, is an advocate for her people. She’s a legislative associate and staff attorney for the National Congress of American Indians, based in Washington, DC. “I’m always on the Hill advocating for American Indians and our sovereign rights,” said Wright.

Bissonnette studied psychology and education in graduate school, and worked as a lobbyist on Capitol Hill before studying law. She is now an attorney at Foley, Hoag and Eliot, practicing in the health care and government strategies group. Bissonnette said, “Suffolk Law graduates can think and write as well as anyone else, and they can also walk the walk. Their work ethic and experience with clinical programs and internships means they can hit the ground running. They are poor, hungry and driven—essential qualities when starting out in the profession.”

Kelly, who painted houses and traveled extensively in Europe before law school, didn’t know what he wanted to do for a living. “All I knew was I didn’t want to work and I didn’t want to go to school,” he said. One day, a woman whose house he was painting asked him if he’d like to make some extra money as a messenger for the law firm where she worked. He accepted and soon found himself fascinated with the workings of the law. He eventually enrolled in Suffolk, where Kelly said he got focused on moot court activities, legal research and writing. “I loved the moot court program. It gave me the confidence that I could argue and be good on my feet,” he said.

“I encourage you to find passion in some area of the law,” said Kelly. “Be hungry—don’t worry about the money, take chances and do what you want.” He cautioned students not to cut corners in school or anywhere in life. “Work hard and you will be successful.”

(L-R) John Q. Kelly, JD ‘80; and the Hon. Charlotte A. Perretta, JD ‘67; and Victoria A. Wright, JD ‘98.

(L-R) Ambassador John Ernest Leigh, JD ‘92, and Paul J. McCallum, JD ‘82.

(L-R) Ambassador John Ernest Leigh, JD '92; Paul J. McCallum, JD '82; and Merita A. Hopkins, JD '79; John Q. Kelly, JD '80; and Victoria A. Wright, JD '98.
Michael Avery taught a three-week seminar in civil rights law at the Exploration Summer Program. Exploration is an enriched academic camp for high school students, located on the Wellesley College campus. Avery's course required the students to read Supreme Court cases, and covered free speech, privacy, discrimination and regulation of obscenity on the Internet.

Carter G. Bishop was appointed to the taxation section council of the Massachusetts Bar Association for 1999-2000.


Tony DeMarco, Juvenile Justice Center director, was a presenter at the ABA 9th National Conference on Children and the Law in Washington, DC, in April 1999. His workshop, "Educational Advocacy for Children" attracted more than 70 child advocates and school lawyers. The presentation with Salene Almazan of the Maryland Center for Inclusive Education and Lina Ayers, director of Schoolhouse Legal Services in Baltimore, MD, was selected to be taped and offered on the Lawyers Communication Network in July 1999, as a Continuing Legal Education program service of the ABA.

At the Summer Associates Reception, held at the new Federal Courthouse on Fan Pier in Boston, DeMarco and Chief Judge William Young of the US District Court addressed more than 120 Boston firm summer associates on "Representing Children and Pro Bono Opportunities." At the reception, to benefit the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (MSPCC), DeMarco was elected to the office of president-elect of the Association for Continuing Legal Education (ACLEA). ACLEA is an international association of more than 500 members who are involved in CLE.

Valerie Epps spoke at a meeting of the National Lawyers Guild, Massachusetts chapter, held at Sargent Hall. The meeting, hosted by David Yamada, focused on "The War Over Kosovo--A Teach-In Forum."

Steven Ferrey published the thirteenth edition (1999) of his internationally used Law of Independent Power, a three-volume treatise on the fast-changing electric power industry.

Charles Kindregan was elected academic representative on the American Bar Association Publications Board for the family law section.

Michael Rustad was interviewed by Daniel Zwerdling on NPR's "All Things Considered," commenting on the $4.9 billion verdict awarded against General Motors Corporation in a recent product liability case.

Kathleen Elliot Vinson, director of Legal Practice Skills, presented a seminar, "How Internet Novices Can Use Web Course in a Box to Design a Web Page for Legal Writing Courses," at the 1999 Association of Legal Writing Directors Second Biennial Conference. She also served on a panel at the conference discussing "Using Technology: Personal and Institutional Costs and Benefits." For the Law School, Vinson has created a Web page for the legal practice course that displays the syllabus, exercises, and learning links, and provides a listserv for class discussion.

Carole Wagan, director of Advanced Legal Studies, was elected to the office of president-elect of the Association for Continuing Legal Education (ACLEA). ACLEA is an international association of more than 500 members who are involved in CLE.

In August David Yamada organized and hosted a presentation and discussion at Suffolk titled "Workplace Bullying: A Silent Epidemic," featuring Dr. Gary Namie, founder of the non-profit Campaign Against Workplace Bullying. Yamada's article analyzing the legal and public policy implications of workplace bullying will be published in the Georgetown Law Journal next spring. This fall he has been interviewed on employment law issues by several periodicals, including the ABA Journal (article on workplace bullying), Workforce (article on freedom of speech rights), and HR On Campus (article on graduate student union organizing).
SHE MANEUVERED HER THREE-WHEELED, BATTERY-OPERATED scooter around the popular Beacon Hill eatery with ease, in complete control of where she wanted to go.

"I've been getting around like this since I was 10 years old," explained Amy Wells, who just completed her second year at Suffolk. "It was a major adjustment for me in the beginning, but now I consider it a part of my body."

Wells, 28, is a remarkable woman who knows something about conquering any challenge that gets in her way. She was born with arthrogryposis, a form of muscle weakness which left her unable to walk. Qualities such as courage and determination have been instilled in her for as long as she can remember.

"No child wants to be disabled," said Wells, who was born in Bronxville, New York, grew up in Acton, Massachusetts, and now lives in Cambridge. "As a kid, you always want to do things like everyone else does them. I never had the chance to do that. I knew at an early age that I had to become independent and move on with my life."

"I guess I'm a professional student," said Wells with a laugh. "My parents keep telling me to get a job."

For her, attending Suffolk Law has been an enjoyable and demanding experience. "This is the most challenging academic thing I've ever done, but it's all working out," she said. "I love the people and the diversity of the school. Everyone is great and very down to earth. I've made some really good friends."

One of those friends is Bernadette Feeley, dean of students. "She has worked with me since day one, being responsive to anything I need," said Wells. "She even showed me how to remove the covers of my books and replace them with ring binders so they would be lighter for me to carry. She's been amazing."

IN TURN, FEELEY SPEAKS HIGHLY OF WELLS, WHO WILL BE part of the first class to graduate from the Law School's new building in the year 2000. "Amy is just a wonderful person who is a pleasure to work with," said Feeley. "She's the type of person who will be successful in whatever she does because she's so bright and determined to go after what she believes in."

Wells is passionate about caring for others. Her past includes volunteer work at The Italian Home for Children in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, a residential treatment facility for emotionally disturbed children. She also has been a "Special Friend" to a five-year-old girl with spina bifida, providing support and advice to the youngster's parents as they faced raising a child with a severe physical disability.

In the future, Wells plans to pass the bar exam and find a career that allows her to continue helping others. "I don't want a regular job," she said. "I want something that's going to be fulfilling, like working with kids and families. I want to help people. That will make me happy."
Paul V. Buckley, BA '61, JD, was appointed associate justice of the Brighton District Court.

John F. Cicilline, JD, was awarded the Richard M. Casparian Award by the executive board of the Rhode Island Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

John C. Stevens, JD, a judge in the Essex County Probate and Family Court, was chosen Best Probate and Family Court Judge in a Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly readership poll.

Frederic C. Crowley, JD, was inducted into the Hall of Fame of the Boys and Girls Club of Cumberland and Lincoln, RI.

Ralph E. Stone, JD, was awarded the Wiley W. Manuel Pro Bono Services Award by the State Bar of California. Stone reports that he retired as an attorney for the Federal Trade Commission and volunteers at the Cooperative Restraining Order Clinic in San Francisco, CA.

Mike Riselli, JD, and Jim Pressler, JD '74, announce the launch of their firm's Web site, located at www.rplaw.net. Their civil litigation practice is in Washington, DC. (See related story on page 10.)

Steven Zelman, JD, a probate judge in Bloomfield, CT, was appointed to the executive committee of the Connecticut Probate Assembly.


Nadine Strossen, president of the American Civil Liberties Union and professor at New York Law School, called Golder's book "an excellent guide to understanding and protecting your job rights." Golder is an employment law specialist with Bernstein Golder & Miller, PA, in Lynnfield, and is an adjunct professor at Massachusetts School of Law, Northeastern University and Suffolk University Law School.

NEWSMAKERS

One Suffolk Law graduate stepped in for another, as Susan Mellen, JD '78, took over for Jean Kennett, JD '81, as the clerk of Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court (SJC). In the last issue of Suffolk Law, we reported that Kennett retired last summer after 15 years on the job. She was the first woman to hold the position. Mellen was a Massachusetts SJC first assistant clerk since 1993 and, prior to that, served as SJC first assistant clerk for Suffolk County.

Edward P. Ryan, Jr., JD, was named president-elect of the Massachusetts Bar Association. He will become the association's president in September 2000. Ryan is a partner with the Fitchburg firm O'Connor & Ryan, where he concentrates in family law, personal injury, civil litigation and criminal defense. He is a former president of the Worcester County Bar Association and the Worcester County Bar Advocates.

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Ronald K. Machlley, JD, was elected to the Board of Directors at Amica Mutual Insurance Company.

Robert Ward, JD, was named dean of Southern New England School of Law.

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Robert E. Riley, JD, joined the law firm Peabody & Brown as a partner in its construction law practice group.

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Michael A. St. Pierre, JD, a partner in the Warwick, RI, firm of Revens, Lanni, Revens and St. Pierre, was elected treasurer of the Rhode Island Bar Association.

Stephen R. White, JD, has been certified as a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum.

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Eileen D. Agnes, JD, has been appointed to the Committee for Public Counsel Services.

David E. Cherny, JD, a partner in the Boston firm Atwood & Cherny, was elected president of the Massachusetts chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers.

Michael P. King, JD, of the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Bureau of Hearings, was named to the Compensation Appeals Board.

Leo Lydon, JD, was named associate justice of the Massachusetts Juvenile Court.

Theodore H. O'Brien, JD, joined the Boston firm of Angoff, Goldman, Manning, Wanger & Hynes, PC, concentrating in the representation of labor organizations. He was most recently a mediator-arbitrator with the Massachusetts Board of Conciliation and Arbitration and maintained a private practice.

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Rita Tirocchi Afonso, JD, was promoted to senior vice president at Fleet Private Clients Group, where she previously served as vice president, team leader and relationship manager.

Maureen S. Jones, JD, joined the Boston law firm of Goldstein & Manello as an associate.

Jeannette McCarthy, JD, was named city solicitor in Waltham.

Stephen Sedensky, JD, senior assistant state's attorney in Bridgeport, CT, has married Nancy E. Schulz.

Richard Tetault, JD, joined the Boston firm Burns & Levinson LLP as a partner.
Richard Arrighi, JD, joined Burns & Levinson, LLP, in Boston, as a partner. He chairs the firm's real estate and finance practices.

Peter J. Dawson, JD, a partner in the law firm of Mirick O'Connell and chair of the firm's land use group, was named chair of the Central Regional Committee of the judicial Nominating Council.

Paul M. Lane, JD, joined the Boston office of Pepe & Hazard as a partner, specializing in construction and commercial litigation.

Jeffrey S. Camenker, JD, was named assistant vice president of Broadway National Bank of Chelsea.

Barbara Anthony, JD '77, a former state consumer protection and health care advocate, was named director of the Northeast regional office of the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). Anthony has long played the role of watchdog in Massachusetts. She served for eight years as an assistant attorney general and chief of the Public Protection Bureau under Attorney General Scott Harshbarger. Prior to that, Anthony was chief compliance officer at BayBanks, assistant secretary for the Massachusetts Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation, and a trial attorney in the US Department of Justice’s Antitrust Division in Washington, DC. In her new role, Anthony enforces fair trade laws and reviews corporate mergers. She began working in the FTC's New York City office in October.
Elizabeth Morse, JD, an attorney with Tashjian, Simansarian and Wickstrom of Worcester and Northbridge, was among those honored as Women of Distinction by the Montachusett Girl Scout Council for contributions to their professions and communities.

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David A. Balasco, JD, was promoted to vice president of government relations for the Hospital Association of Rhode Island, where he has served as public policy associate and associate vice president.

David W. Batchelder, Jr., JD, announces the opening of his law office in Miami, FL, where he concentrates in Social Security disability matters.

John Iwanicki, JD, and wife JeanMarie (Nealon), JD, welcome a new daughter, Allan Grace. She joins sisters Genvieve, 4, and Isabella, 2. John is a partner in the firm Banner & Witcoff. JeanMarie is a senior manager in the tax department of Deloitte & Touche, LLP.

Kathleen A. Ryan, JD, has joined the Providence, RI, firm of Partridge Snow & Hahn as an associate in the corporate practice group.

Russell N. Stein, JD, has become a shareholder in the Boston firm of Shapiro, Israel & Weiner.

Margaret Strange, JD, was named a partner in the Hartford, CT, firm of Jackson, Lewis, Schnitzler & Krupman.

John E. Whelan, JD, was appointed clerk-magistrate of the Charlestown District Court.

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Lisa Madeleine Cukier, JD, was named assistant general counsel for the Massachusetts Department of Mental Retardation.

Daniel B. Daley, JD, an attorney with South Middlesex Legal Services in Framingham, has married Linda Coppolino. They are living in Walpole.

Robbie Fisher, JD, was appointed state director of the Mississippi chapter of the Nature Conservancy, the world's leading private, international environmental conservation organization.

Paul Hines, JSB '86, JD, was named assistant city solicitor of Quincy.


Doreen Zankowski, JD, joined the Boston office of Hinckley, Allen & Snyder as a partner in the firm's litigation group.

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Paul J. Klehm, JD, was named an associate in the Andover law office of James B. Krasnoo.

David M. Losier, JD, joined the Boston law firm of Burns & Levinson, LLP, as an associate in the business litigation and white-collar criminal defense groups.

Christine C. O'Day, JD, has joined the Boston intellectual property firm of Dike, Bronstein, Roberts & Cushman, LLP.

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Gennaro D'Ambrosio, JD, opened a law practice in Revere.

Stuart Kaufman, JD, was named vice president of corporate services and legal counsel for Pioneer Behavioral Health in Peabody, where he also serves as compliance officer.

Susan Kelly, JD, associate director-debt syndication for BTM Capital in Boston, has married Jay Trahan. They are living in Winchester.

Kelly Rice, JD, an estate planning attorney with the Lowell-based firm Donahue & Donahue, has married Michael Quigley. They are living in Salem.

Karen E. R. Young, JD, has joined Berluti & McLaughlin, LLC, in Boston as associate attorney.

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Neil L. Cohen, JD, has joined the Boston firm of Peabody & Brown as an associate in the firm's estate planning and administration department.

John P. Faggiano, JD, of Sloane and Walsh in Boston married Kelly M. Judge, JD, of the law offices of Hinckley, Allen & Snyder as an associate in the firm's estate planning and administration department.

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David Ianelli, JD, of the law offices of Thomas Polimeni in Boston, married Kelly Wallace, JD, of Bowditch & Dewey in Worcester. They are living in Hopkinton.

Matthew A. Krauneli, JD, opened a law office in North Andover. Most recently he was an associate with the firm of McCabe and Delyami.
Christopher J. McCarty, JD, has become an associate with the Providence, RI, firm McGovern Noel & Benik.

Brian J. McMillan, JD joined the Boston firm Peabody & Brown as an associate in the corporate department.

Leslie Muldowney, JD, joined the Boston firm Burns & Levinson, LLP, as an associate.

Michael C. O'Loughlin, JD, and wife Marie, announce the birth of their daughter, Margaret Marie, born on March 23, 1999. O'Loughlin is an administrative attorney for the Boston Municipal Court Department.

Laura L. Sheridan, JD, an associate attorney in the civil litigation department of Drisko, Perlman, Leavit & Rubin, has married David W. Nadolski. They are living in South Boston.

Joseph W. Spillane, JD, joined the Worcester firm Spillane & Spillane, LLP.

John D. Tuerck, JD, married Rachel Forsyth. They are living in Richmond, VA.

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Andrew Abraham, JD, an associate with the Shef Law Offices in Boston, and Kathy Jo Cook, JD, an associate with Keches & Mallen of Taunton, were named "rising stars" by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly. They were two of only five lawyers chosen as "up and coming" by the paper, which made its selection from among Massachusetts attorneys "who have been members of the bar for 10 years or less, but who have already distinguished themselves in some manner and appear poised for even greater accomplishments in the years to come." At 28, Abraham has lost only one case. He does products liability, medical malpractice, premises liability and a range of civil litigation, specializing in lead-paint damages cases. As a personal-injury lawyer, Cook argued a $2.9 million appeal within a year of being sworn in, her largest award so far. She is married to Suffolk Law Professor Timothy Wilton.

Terence Fennessy, JD, is an institutional equity salesman for Legg Mason, a Baltimore, MD, brokerage firm. He focuses on assisting large institutional investors with equity investments in public companies. He and his wife welcome their third child, Kelly, who joins Liam, 3, and Grace, 5.

Lisa A. Furnald, JD, joined the Boston firm Burns & Levinson, LLP, as an associate in the professional practices group.

Kimberly A. George, JD, an immigration attorney for New Hampshire Catholic Charities, Inc., married Charles A. Hajdu. They are living in Stow, NH.

Jeffrey M. Head, JD, an assistant district attorney in Worcester County, married Erika Turnquist. They are living in Worcester.

William A. Marino, JD, joined the Boston office of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky & Popeo as an associate.

James G. McManus, JD, was appointed director of national media relations for Newman Communications of Boston.

Joshua L. Milrad, JD, was named an associate at the law firm of Carmody & Torrance, LLP, in Waterbury, CT.

Matthew Penarezk, JD, an attorney with Sherburn, Powers, Holland & Knight in Boston, has married Tammy Iovven. They are living in Boston.

Richard M. Power, JD, was named director of community corrections for the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office.

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Jonathan Allen, JD, an associate in the law offices of Paul T. Sheils and Roderick O. Ott in Boston, has married Sara Swartz. They are living in Newton Centre.
Dwight T. Burns, JD, joined the Boston firm Burns & Levinson, LLP, as an associate.

James A. Clifford, JD, of Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson in Portland, ME, has married Gwen C. Allen. They are living in Falmouth, ME.

Lee D. Galkin, JD, an attorney with The Marquee Group, a division of SFX Entertainment in New York City, has married Erika Silverman. They are living in New York City.

Brian Glennon, BA ’94, JD, an attorney with the Trial Court of Massachusetts and a sergeant in the US Marine Corps Reserve, has married Helen Riley, BSB ’94. They are living in Quincy.

Eunmi Lee, JD, opened a real estate, domestic relations and bankruptcy practice in Boston in December 1998. She is also a closing attorney for Bank of America and Massachusetts Home Mortgage Company and a title agent. Lee married Kevin Anderton, a filmmaker and owner of Midnight Chimes Productions, in September 1998. They are living in Boston.

Katherine A. McDonough, JD, an attorney with Kelly, Rode & Kelly in Mineola, NY, married William Staab. They are living in Port Washington, NY.

Peter J. Miniati III, JD, was named vice president/cash management for Citizens Bank in Rhode Island.

Erin C. Moran, JD, joined the Boston firm Atwood & Cherny as an associate.

Stacey O'Connor, JD, married Troy M. Forget. They are living in Webster.

James P. O'Shea, JD, married Tara Colucci. They are living in Beverly.

David P. Swartz, JD, joined the law office of David P. Wolicki in Canton.

Elizabeth Cerda, JD, joined the firm LeBoeuf, Lamb, Green, MacRae, as an associate specializing in public utility law.

Victoria A. Crashaw, JD, joined the Boston firm Burns & Levinson, LLP, as an associate in the firm's tort and insurance group.

Kyle Donohue, JD, joined the North Dartmouth firm Gogel, Phillips & Garcia.

Matthew J. Griffin, JD, an associate with Sullivan, Sullivan and Pinta in Boston, married Deborah Tortola. They are living in Waltham.

Michelle H. Lander, JD, joined the Framingham-based firm Lander & Lander, PC, as an associate.

Arnold J. Lizana, JD, and wife Krystal welcome their first child, Remani Ali Lizana. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces. They reside in Springfield. Lizana is a member of the legal staff at the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission office located in Boston.

Todd M. Machnik, JD, was named an associate in the Franklin office of Gilmore, Rees & Carlson, PC.

Michael P. McCoy, JD, married Lisa Lund. They are living in Malden. McCoy is employed at Mullen & McGourty in Boston.

Allison R. Miller, JD, is working in the mutual fund custody department at Investors Bank and Trust.

Marta M. Philpott, JD, an attorney at the Women’s Crisis Center in Newburyport, married Kevin M. Chadwick. They are living in Haverhill.

Steven C. Preskenis, JD, an attorney at John Hancock Mutual Insurance Co., in Boston, has married Maureen C. Doyle. They are living in Cambridge.

Brandon M. Ruggieri, JD, an attorney with Arditi and Morse in Danvers, married Rachel Allen. They are living in Cambridge.

Kathleen Santangelo, JD, joined the Boston firm Berluti & McLaughlin, LLC, as an associate in the firm's real estate practice area.

Nathanael E. Wright, JD, joined the staff of Massachusetts state Senator Dianne Wilkerson.

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Jill D. Shamroth, JD, married Scott A. Reiff. They are living in Sunrise, FL.
In Memorium

RICHARD J. TRIFIRO, JD '57, LLD '87 (HON.)

Richard J. Trifiro of South Natick, Massachusetts, Suffolk trustee, Boston attorney and real estate entrepreneur, died June 30 in Leonard Morse Hospital at Metro West Medical Center in Natick after a brief illness. He was 66.

Founder of Atlantic Management, a real estate company in Framingham, Trifiro had served on Suffolk's Board of Trustees since 1993. He established the Trifiro-Sargent Fund, the Law School's largest scholarship fund, and he played a significant role in the building campaign for David J. Sargent Hall. He also created the University's Richard J. Trifiro International Scholars Fund. At the Law School dedication ceremonies this fall, Sargent remarked that the tragic loss of Trifiro is one he "can barely stand."

A noted philanthropist, Trifiro contributed scholarships to hundreds of college-bound Boston high school students. He also supported the Natick Service Council, where he was past president and served on the Board of Directors for many years.

Upon receiving an honorary degree from Suffolk in 1987, Trifiro was cited for his public service accomplishments. "We proudly salute you for your distinguished citizenship, your business judgment, your leadership abilities and for opening wide the doors of educational opportunity and economic mobility for deserving young men and women," the citation read.

In a 1988 interview with Suffolk University Magazine, Trifiro said, "It is important to give something back to society." He was true to his words.

Born in Boston, Trifiro was a 1950 graduate of Boston English High School. As a high school student he started a dance band, Richard Rand and his Band, and performed in major ballrooms from 1949 into the early 1950s. Music was a lifelong love of Trifiro's. He studied music and played his trumpet throughout his life, often performing alongside professional-caliber musicians. He studied at the Julliard School of Music on a scholarship and received a bachelor's degree from Curry College in 1954. He started his first company at the age of 25.

Trifiro leaves his wife, Rita J. (Calvi); his mother, Irene Veronica (Tully); two daughters, Irene T. Gruber and Lisa T. Reed; a son, Richard J., Jr.; a brother, John F., and four grandchildren.
ALICE G. WINN, JD '81

Alice G. Winn, an assistant attorney general for Massachusetts since 1982, died April 21 in Brigham and Women's Hospital after a six-month battle with leukemia. She was 51.

Winn's search for a bone marrow transplant donor was the subject of a Boston Globe column. As an Ashkenazi Jew, she had a small chance of finding a donor because the majority of the 6 million Jews killed during the Holocaust were Ashkenazi. At a January 1999 donor drive about 4,000 people registered to see if they were a match.

A graduate of Boston University, she also held a master's degree in Spanish literature from Columbia University.

Winn was a trustee at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute and of Facing History and Ourselves, a program that uses the Holocaust as a teaching model against hate and bigotry. She was also on the board of the New England Region of the Anti-Defamation League.

She leaves her husband, Arthur M.; two daughters, Jennifer and Rebecca; a son, Gilbert; and two brothers, Steven and Jonathan Gilbert.

DAWN M. DIBUDUO GREEN, AA '85, BA '86, JD '96

Dawn M. DiBuduo Green, a Boston police lieutenant detective, died in September of cancer in her Squantum, Massachusetts, home. She was 35.

A native of Brighton, Massachusetts, Green was known as a dedicated and self-motivated police officer. She worked full time while earning degrees in criminal justice, public administration and law. Her leadership skills and community service activities earned her numerous honors, including a Commissioner's Commendation and a Commissioner's Special Citation. Green was awarded a certificate from Mayor Thomas M. Menino in 1992 for courage and service to the community. She was also recognized for her undercover work and her support of victims of domestic abuse.

Green's heroic struggle with cancer inspired her colleagues and friends to establish the annual Boston Police Cancer Awareness Day, which raised thousands of dollars for local hospitals over the past two years.

Green is survived by her husband, Boston police Officer Brian Green; her parents, Margaret Hicks and Bernard DiBuduo; two sisters, Kim and Peggy DiBuduo; and a brother, Bruce Hicks.
LESSONS
in Life

Thomas M. Joyce, JD '78

Tom Joyce is one of those people who has made it to the top, and you just feel good about his success. He struggled with decisions as a teenager, followed uncertain paths, and eventually aligned himself with a career vision. Today, he is aware that life is short and precious and he strives to "never take anything for granted."

At 17, Joyce dropped out of high school and joined the Marine Corps, where he later received his GED. He served two tours in Vietnam and was critically wounded. He remembers the day well, Mother's Day, 1969. When he returned to the United States he said he had two choices: "I could either feel sorry for myself or excel at something." Clearly, he chose the latter.

Joyce enrolled at Northern Essex Community College, and completed an associates degree at night, so he could work during the day, supporting his young family. Meanwhile, his father, who was the director of the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company from 1961 to 1983, had begun a successful lobbying practice on Beacon Hill. Joyce was welcome to join his father in the business, but he knew he needed a law degree to make the most of the opportunity. "When it comes to lobbying and government affairs, most people want to hire a lawyer," he explained.

But Joyce hesitated in applying to law school because he wasn't sure he'd be allowed to join the bar. Supreme Judicial Court rules state that applicants to the bar must have a four-year college degree or equivalent life experience. Joyce didn't have the degree, but he felt he had the experience. He met with then Dean, now President, David J. Sargent to discuss his chances for a waiver. "He asked me why I thought I should get a waiver," said Joyce, "and I explained to him the things I'd seen and done by the age of 25." Sargent reassured Joyce, who applied to the Law School and was accepted. He is forever grateful for the opportunity Suffolk gave him.

After living through Vietnam, Joyce knew he could make it through anything. "I remember wanting to quit the first semester of law school. It was difficult, and I was frustrated and discouraged, but I just kept reading." Now, he is a self-proclaimed voracious reader. "I love to read, it keeps my mind sharp."

Joyce's practice, Joyce & Joyce, is located across from the Massachusetts State House on Beacon Hill and is considered one of the top lobbying firms in the Commonwealth. In a 1994 Boston Globe article, Joyce was ranked sixth out of the top ten lobbyists in the state. The firm specializes in a broad range of government affairs issues, including legal, regulatory and referendum matters, with particular emphasis on complex environmental issues and policies. Its clients include New England Electric, Gillette and the Massachusetts Bankers Association. Joyce has six people working in his firm, including Michelle Consalvo, JD '95. He figures the firm monitors 500 to 600 pieces of legislation annually.

Joyce and Sargent have remained friends over the years. Joyce remembers a luncheon five years ago at which Sargent explained to him the vision he and the University had for what is now Sargent Hall, the new Law School building. Sargent told him the school was trying to raise money. Joyce asked, "Are you giving?" Sargent's answer was yes. Joyce said, "I'll match at your giving level."

Joyce pledged a significant amount over 10 years to the Law School Building Campaign. "This is a way for me to show my appreciation to the school. I hope that this will give someone else a chance to study law," he said. "David Sargent gave me a chance and helped set the stage for my assuming the mantle at my father's business. I am forever grateful."

Joyce is humble about his generosity. "I feel like it is the least I can do. I can't commit a lot of personal time to the University, so I choose to give my financial support," he said. As Joyce wishes, it is likely that many current and future Law School students will benefit from his donation.