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## CALENDAR 2006
### UPCOMING EVENTS

### ADVANCED LEGAL STUDIES
All CLE courses are held at Sargent Hall unless otherwise noted. The following schedule is tentative. Contact ALS Director Carole Wagan for more information at 617.573.8627, als@suffolk.edu or visit www.law.suffolk.edu/als.

#### JUNE
- **Rhode Island Chapter Wine Tasting and Reception**
  - Sunday, June 25, 6:30pm
  - Newport Winery
  - Middletown, RI

#### JULY
- **3rd Annual Boston Chapter Sunset Schooner Sailing**
  - Saturday, July 15, 6-8pm
  - Salem, MA
- **Alumni Night at Fenway Park**
  - Boston Red Sox vs. Kansas City Royals
  - Monday, July 17, 7:05pm
  - Fenway Park
  - Boston, MA
- **Chicago Chapter Alumni Day at the Ball Park**
  - Chicago White Sox vs. Texas Rangers
  - Sunday, July 23
  - 11:30am buffet
  - 1:05pm game
  - US Cellular Field
  - Chicago, IL
- **New Hampshire Chapter Alumni Day at the Ball Park**
  - New Hampshire Fisher Cats vs. Trenton Thunder
  - Sunday, July 23
  - 11:30am buffet
  - 1:05pm game
  - Manchester, NH
- **Rhode Island Chapter Alumni Day at the Ball Park**
  - Pawtucket Red Sox vs. Buffalo Bisons
  - Sunday, July 30
  - 11am-12:15pm brunch at Hose Company No. 6
  - Pawtucket, RI

### ALUMNI EVENTS
For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 617.305.1999 or visit www.law.suffolk.edu.

#### AUGUST
- **Alumni Afternoon at Tanglewood**
  - Sunday, August 13
  - 2:30pm concert
  - 4:30pm reception
  - Lenox, MA
- **Alumni Night at Fenway Park**
  - Boston Red Sox vs. Detroit Tigers
  - Wednesday, August 16, 7:05pm
  - Fenway Park
  - Boston, MA
- **Alumni Night with the Lowell Spinners**
  - Sunday, August 20
  - 3:30pm Buffet at the Gator Pit
  - 5pm game
  - Lowell, MA

#### SEPTEMBER
- **Washington, DC, Alumni Chapter Night at the Ball Park**
  - Boston Red Sox vs. Baltimore Orioles
  - Thursday, September 14, 7:05pm
  - Camden Yards
  - Baltimore, MD
- **Clarifying the Law on What Constitutes Retaliation**
  - Friday, September 15
  - 9th Annual Road Race
  - Sunday, September 17, 10am
  - Hatch Shell
  - Boston, MA
  - **Suffolk University Centennial Birthday Celebration**
  - Thursday, September 21
  - Boston, MA

#### OCTOBER
- **Ninth Annual New England Elder Law Symposium: Strategies for Practicing Under the New Law**
  - Friday, October 13
- **34th Annual Robert Fuchs Labor Law Conference with the National Labor Relations Board and Department of Labor**
  - Thursday, October 19
- **Maximizing Markman from Claim Drafting to Hearings: Judicial and Litigators’ Perspectives**
  - Friday, October 20
- **Assessing Capacity and Treating the Incapacitated**
  - Friday, October 27

#### NOVEMBER
- **Difficult Issues in Child Custody Cases**
  - Thursdays, November 2 and 9
- **Gaining the Competitive Edge: Deferred Compensation Arrangements for Closely-Held Companies**
  - Friday, November 3
  - **Annual Alumni Awards Dinner**
  - Centennial Award Honoring President David J. Sargent
  - Thursday, November 16, 5:30pm
  - Westin Waterfront Hotel
  - Boston, MA
  - **Practical Advice for Trying Murder Cases**
  - Friday, November 17
  - **8 New Ways to Improve Jury Comprehension**
  - Thursday, December 7

### DECEMBER
- **4th Annual Alumni Bus Trip to New York City**
  - Saturday, December 2
  - Buses leave Boston 6am; Framingham 6:45am
  - Lunch at location TBA
  - Broadway Musical TBA
  - Buses leave NYC 6pm; arrive in Boston 10:30pm

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**New to Suffolk Law School**

I am happy to announce two new members of the Suffolk Law School community. Bridgett Halay, an attorney from Hartford, Connecticut, joined us as administrative director of graduate and international programs in October. Kara Peterson, a communications professional with a decade of experience in higher education, marketing, and journalism, was named communications director in January.

**Honoring Our Heroes**

Suffolk Law's Centennial Committee is seeking nominations of individuals who have exemplified the mission of Suffolk Law School and contributed significantly to our community, so that they may be honored throughout our centennial celebration. Please see the "Honoring Our Heroes" column on page 4 for more information about how you may assist us in this important process.

Finally, I want to share with you my own personal plans as dean. Next academic year, 2006–2007, will be my eighth as dean. I have informed President Sargent of my intention to step down at the end of June 2007, so that I might return to full-time teaching and my own personal plans as dean. Next academic year, 2006–2007, will be my eighth as dean. I have informed President Sargent of my intention to step down at the end of June 2007, so that I might return to full-time teaching and my interests in Constitutional law and mediation. I am grateful to President Sargent, the Board of Trustees, our dedicated faculty, administration, students, and alumni for the opportunity to serve as dean, and am enthusiastic about working with you during the upcoming centennial year.

Best wishes,

Robert H. Smith
Dean and Professor of Law
**Centennial to Demonstrate Suffolk's Excellence**

During its first 100 years, Suffolk University has grown from a local institution focused on the study of law to a global University educating students in the arts and sciences, business, and law. During this time, the University has remained true to its values of diversity, social responsibility, excellence, and opportunity. Suffolk University's Centennial Celebration begins in September 2006, when a yearlong series of events will reflect on the University's history while looking ahead to a new century of innovation and opportunity.

The University Centennial Committee, chaired by University Director of Public Affairs Rosemarie Sansone, is planning a host of exciting events for the celebration. Alumni are being asked to “save the year” for University-wide events, such as the Centennial Convocation and birthday celebration on September 21, and several Law School events.

A number of exhibits at the Law School's Adams Gallery will provide opportunities to learn about Suffolk, its distinctive place in the world of higher education, and its impact on society. The first exhibit will focus on the University's early years, tracing Suffolk's history from the Law School's 1906 beginning in Gleason Archer's living room through the founding of the Sawyer Business School and College of Arts and Sciences, with artifacts and photographs from the Suffolk University archive.

“The exhibit will profile founder Gleason Archer, the earliest students, some of whom broke new ground, and Suffolk’s mission of providing an affordable education for all,” says University Archivist Beth Bower.

The Law School’s Centennial Committee, chaired by Associate Dean John C. Deliso, is coordinating several law school-focused events, including lectures by Distinguished Visiting Professor Akhil Reed Amar of Yale Law School, Visiting Professor Leonard L. Riskin of the University of Missouri Columbia School of Law, Distinguished Visiting Professor Martha Chamallas of Ohio State University's Michael E. Moritz College of Law, and a conference with Sweden's Lund University featuring US Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

The Law School Centennial Committee is also seeking nominations of Suffolk Law alumni who have made outstanding contributions to the law and society for special recognition opportunities throughout the year. Please see the message from the Suffolk Law School Centennial Committee on page 4 for more information.

A Suffolk University Centennial Web site will keep members of the University's extended family up-to-date on the wide range of festivities and events planned. A highlight of the Web site will be a timeline of important dates in Suffolk's history, created by George Comeau, BS '88, MPA '93, JD '99, associate director of Suffolk's Media Services, who has collected photographs and other historical materials for the piece. A historical photo album will also be available online.

To view these materials and learn more about Suffolk University's Centennial Celebration plans, visit www.suffolk.edu/centennial.

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**Celebrate With Us**

For Centennial event details, please visit the Suffolk Law Web site at www.law.suffolk.edu.

**Friday, September 8**
FBI Director Robert Mueller speaks in conjunction with the 20th anniversary of the Drinan Fellowships.

**Thursday, September 14**
Donahue Lecture Series: Justice Jack B. Jacobs of the Delaware Supreme Court

**Thursday, September 21**
University Convocation and Birthday Celebration

**Thursday, October 5**
Distinguished Visiting Professor Akhil Reed Amar of Yale Law School

**Thursday, October 12**
Donahue Lecture Series: Mary Bonauto, civil rights director of the Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders

**Thursday, November 9**
Visiting Professor Leonard L. Riskin of the University of Missouri Columbia School of Law

**Thursday, November 16**
Annual Alumni Awards Dinner featuring a Centennial award honoring President David J. Sargent

**Thursday, January 25 - Saturday, January 27**
International Law Conference featuring US Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg

**Thursday, March 22**
Professor Sanford Levinson of the University of Texas School of Law

**Friday, April 6**
Donahue Lecture Series: Distinguished Visiting Professor Martha Chamallas of the Ohio State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law

**Thursday, April 19**
Donahue Lecture Series: Professor Carl Tobias of the University of Richmond School of Law
From the Suffolk Law School Centennial Committee

Honoring Our Heroes

The Law School invites your input concerning the celebration of Suffolk University’s Centennial beginning in September 2006, particularly insofar as it will involve the Law School. A yearlong series of events will reflect on the University’s history while looking ahead to a new century of challenge. While the University has grown from a local institution focused on the study of law to a global university actively educating students in the arts and sciences, business, and law, it has remained true to its values of access, opportunity, and innovation.

As we look back on our outstanding accomplishments, we know that our success is the product of the hard work of the entire Suffolk University Law School community. This includes graduates and others who, through their work in the law and the community, exemplify the mission of Suffolk Law, and others who have added significantly to the life of the institution.

The Centennial Committee would like your help in identifying individuals from any point in our history so that we may honor them throughout the course of Suffolk’s Centennial Celebration through a variety of media, including publications, special exhibits, and ceremonies.

We are interested in a broad view of contribution and service to the Law School since its inception, so please feel free to identify Suffolk University’s “unsung heroes” as well as high-profile individuals. We seek individuals whose contributions may not be measured primarily in financial terms.

Please visit www.law.suffolk.edu/centennial/nominations to nominate those who you believe have contributed to the quality and excellence of Suffolk Law School. We would like you to define your own criteria when making your selection.

We may contact you for more information concerning your nominee. Thank you for your help and support throughout the process.

John C. Deliso, Associate Dean
Chairman, Suffolk Law School Centennial Committee

Donahue Series Highlights Distinguished Scholars

The annual Donahue Lecture Series, which attracts outstanding legal scholars and jurists, began in October with the Honorable William G. Young, former chief judge of the US District Court for the District of Massachusetts, speaking on “The Vanishing Jury and the Twilight of Judicial Independence.” Young has been an active trial judge for more than 25 years, serving on the Massachusetts Superior Court from 1977 until 1985, when he was appointed to the federal court. Young has taught at several law schools, including Harvard, Boston College, and Boston University.

In March, Professor Douglas W. Kmiec delivered “The Real Original Understanding: The Necessity of Natural Law in Constitutional Interpretation.” Kmiec, the Caruso Family Chair in Constitutional Law at the Pepperdine University School of Law, is a well-known scholar and popular commentator on constitutional questions. Prior to teaching at Pepperdine, Kmiec served as dean at The Catholic University in Washington, DC, and for nearly two decades on the law faculty at the University of Notre Dame. He is a frequent guest on national news programs, such as Nightline, Newshour with Jim Lehrer, and NPR’s Talk of the Nation.

The final lecture, “The Anti-Democratic Nature of the Assault on the Civil Justice System,” was presented by Professor Lucinda M. Finley in April. Finley, the Frank Raichle Professor of Trial and Appellate Advocacy at Buffalo Law School, is a nationally recognized expert on tort reform. Finley discussed several related trends that limit access to the civil justice system—primarily tort reform and the increasing use of mandatory pre-dispute arbitration clauses.

The Donahue Lecture Series was established in 1980 to recognize the Honorable Frank J. Donahue, JD ’21, former faculty member, trustee, and treasurer of Suffolk University. As chair of the Law School Committee of the Board of Trustees, Donahue was active in the expansion of the faculty, library, and other Law School facilities.

Each lecture in the program serves as the basis for a lead article to be published in the Suffolk University Law Review, a sponsor of the series.
Moot Court Team Wins Craven Competition

Suffolk Law School's National Constitutional Moot Court Team won the 29th annual J. Braxton Craven, Jr., Memorial Moot Court Competition, held at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Law School in February.

Coached by Professor Richard Pizzano, the Suffolk Law team of Bryan Conley, JD '06; Jack Gearan, JD '07; and Michael Forte, JD '08, argued their way to victory over Boston College Law School before Justices Robert H. Edmunds, Jr., and Paul M. Newby of the North Carolina Supreme Court and US Magistrate Judge Dennis M. Howell of the Western District of North Carolina. The final round was held in the historic North Carolina Court of Appeals in North Carolina.

Twenty teams nationwide participated in the 2006 competition, including former winners Brooklyn Law School, Duke University School of Law, Fordham University School of Law, and seven-time winner South Texas College of Law.

"This was a special team from the outset," said Pizzano. "They started working on this competition over the semester break in order to prepare a comprehensive brief for a mid-January deadline. We also had numerous practice sessions, and each time they improved upon their previous arguments. In all of my years of coaching outside teams, this is one of the most impressive teams that we have ever sent to a national competition. They truly made Suffolk Law School proud."

Conley and Gearan are members of the Suffolk University Law Review; Forte is a student in Suffolk's JD/MBA program.

This year's competition involved two Fourth Amendment issues—the constitutionality of a mixed-motive roadblock and whether a DNA scraping constituted a search. The team was equally persuasive as advocates for both petitioner and respondent, receiving overwhelming praise from attorneys, professors, deans, and judges throughout the competition.

Annual Health Law and Policy Forum

Suffolk Law School presented its annual Health Law and Policy Forum this spring. The forum features regional and national leaders in health law, health policy, medicine, and ethics. Designed to promote communication among practitioners and scholars across disciplines, the forum builds on the Law School's strong curriculum and academic concentration in health and biomedical law.

In March, Michael L. Millenson, the Mervin Shalowitz Visiting Scholar at the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University and an independent consultant in health care, delivered "Farewell to Hippocrates: Medicine in the Information Age."

Professor Sidney D. Watson of St. Louis University School of Law presented the second lecture in April. Watson, who teaches in the Center for Health and Law Studies, discussed "From Risk to Ruin: Shifting the Costs of Health Care to Patients."

The Health Law and Policy Forum is directed by Professor Marc Rodwin, a nationally recognized scholar who has published extensively on health care, managed care, regulation of health care markets, and physicians' conflict of interest.
President David J. Sargent, JD ’54, LLD ’78, welcomes John A. Nucci, MPA ’79, to his new post.

John A. Nucci Named University Vice President of Government and Community Affairs

John A. Nucci, MPA ’79, was appointed to the newly created position of vice president of government and community affairs in January.

Nucci, who has taught in the graduate program in public administration at Suffolk’s Sawyer Business School since 1992, has been a prominent elected official in Boston for more than 20 years. He was most recently the elected clerk-magistrate of the criminal division in the Suffolk County Superior Court, where he had served since 1994. Previously, he served on the Boston City Council and as president of the Boston School Committee.

"Suffolk University is going through a period of tremendous growth and change," says Suffolk University President David J. Sargent. "We have always recognized our obligation to be a good neighbor in this community. The University's continued growth and increasingly high profile present new challenges. With this appointment, the University will be extremely well-positioned to meet those challenges."

"As an elected official who has served on the Boston School Committee, the Boston City Council, and Suffolk Superior Court for more than two decades, John has been involved in many issues affecting the city and the region. He understands this city and this University as few others do, and Suffolk is very pleased to have someone of John's caliber assume this position of leadership," Sargent says.

"Throughout my years as a graduate student and faculty member, Suffolk University has been an integral part of my life," says Nucci, "and I am looking forward to this challenge."

A lifelong resident of East Boston, Nucci received his undergraduate degree from Boston College. Two of his sons are currently students at Suffolk’s College of Arts and Sciences.

Suffolk Law School Hosts International Tribunal on Haiti

Suffolk Law School’s National Lawyers Guild chapter sponsored the second session of the International Tribunal on Haiti in November.

Held at Sargent Hall, this session of the Tribunal was organized and supported by a coalition of Haitian solidarity groups. Participants at the Tribunal included Ramsey Clark, former US attorney general and founder of the International Action Center; and Thomas M. Griffin, JD ’99, principal in the Philadelphia law firm of Morley Surin & Griffin and author of an extensive report on Haiti’s human rights crisis. Suffolk Law Professor Michael Avery, president of the National Lawyers Guild, served as the investigating judge.

Tribunal participants considered testimony and evidence of massacres and crimes against humanity that was gathered by a blue-ribbon Commission of Inquiry led by Clark in October. Evidence supporting the convictions of those found guilty of ordering, executing, or tolerating these human rights violations was then forwarded to the new International Criminal Court in The Hague.
New to Suffolk Law School

Graduate and International Programs Director Appointed

Bridgett Halay, an attorney from Hartford, Connecticut, was named the Law School's administrative director of graduate and international programs in October 2005.

Halay served with the housing division of Connecticut's Superior Court before pursuing a career in higher education administration. She managed the University of Connecticut's MBA program, nearly doubling enrollment before becoming director of study abroad programs at the University of Hartford in West Hartford, Connecticut. While there, Halay diversified study abroad options for undergraduate students, increasing participation by under-represented students and developing short-term study abroad programs.

At Suffolk, Halay has been instrumental in implementing the Law School's new initiative in Budapest, Hungary—the LLM in US Law for International Business Lawyers—which will have its inaugural session this summer. Halay also administers the International Internship and Externship Program and the LLM in Global Technology. See related story on page 20.

Halay received her undergraduate degree from Bucknell University in political science and international relations, with concentrations in French and European Affairs. She studied abroad in Brussels, Belgium, for six months, and traveled extensively in Central and Eastern Europe. Halay earned her JD from the University of Connecticut School of Law in 2000.

Communications Director Named

Kara J. Peterson joined Suffolk University Law School as the director of communications in January. Peterson brings a decade of experience in higher education communications, marketing, and journalism to the Law School.

Before joining Suffolk, Peterson served as manager of external communications at the Boston University College of Engineering where she was responsible for marketing the college's programs and initiatives. During her tenure, the college enjoyed an increase in US News and World Report rankings as well as alumni involvement and giving. Peterson also has worked as a communications and marketing consultant for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Boston University School of Management.

Early in her career, Peterson lived and worked in Paris, France, and has since traveled extensively throughout the world. Peterson moved to the Boston area in 2000 from Manhattan, where she worked as senior editor for the highly respected World Press Review magazine. Peterson covered international politics, with an emphasis on Asia and human rights.

Peterson earned her bachelor's degree in international relations from the University of Wisconsin and is currently enrolled in the Boston University part-time MBA program with a concentration in marketing. During her business studies, she developed a keen interest in the marketing of services and integrated marketing communications.
Adams Gallery Exhibit Celebrates 125 Years of the BSO

For 125 years the Boston Symphony Orchestra has been a cultural institution inspiring pride in Bostonians and enjoying a worldwide reputation. To mark the BSO’s 125th season, Suffolk’s Adams Gallery is exhibiting photographs and artifacts from the orchestra’s archives.

BSO Celebrates 125 Years tells the story of the orchestra from the time of its founding in 1881 by Bostonian Henry Lee Higginson, who had long dreamed of having an orchestra in his hometown. The exhibit follows the careers of a series of influential conductors and music directors, along with the new work they premiered. It also takes a close look at the magnificent and acoustically outstanding Symphony Hall, the orchestra’s home since 1900.

Is There Life after Cheap Oil?

In November, the Law School and Americans for Democratic Action presented “Is There Life After Cheap Oil?” a public forum featuring noted social commentator James Howard Kunstler. Kunstler discussed the diminishing world oil supply and other geopolitical and environmental challenges facing the United States.


Kunstler’s presentation was discussed by a panel of respondents, including Bradie Conforti, executive director of World Boston; Suffolk Law School Professor Steven Ferrey; and David Warner, entrepreneur and co-owner of City Feed & Supply in Jamaica Plain. The public forum was coordinated by Suffolk Law School Professor David Yamada. For more on the topic of energy, please see related story on pages 12-17.

Congressman Meehan Hosts Public Forum on Torture

United States Representative Marty Meehan, MPA ’81, JD ’86, LLD ’97, hosted “A Public Forum on Torture” at Suffolk University Law School in December. The keynote speaker was US Representative John Conyers (D-Michigan), ranking member of the House Judiciary Committee.

“The United States has long been a model of democracy for the rest of the world and should be a leader when it comes to human rights,” said Meehan, who is also a member of the University’s Board of Trustees.

“Tragically, in the last year we have increasingly seen and heard of unthinkable acts being committed by agents of the United States, while those in charge have turned a blind eye. It’s important that the American people be able to express their views on this issue,” said Meehan.

The discussion included an audience question-and-answer session with a distinguished panel of experts, including US Representative James Moran (D-Virginia); William Schultz, executive director, Amnesty International USA; Kristine Huskey, Shearman & Sterling LLP and adjunct faculty member of The George Washington University Law School; Barbara Olshansky, deputy legal director, Center for Constitutional Rights; and Scott Horton, Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP, adjunct faculty member of Columbia University School of Law, and chair of the International Human Rights Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York.
Drinan, McLaughlin, and Fenton Award Recipients Named

The Thomas J. Drinan Memorial and Paul R. McLaughlin Memorial fellowships are awarded each year to second-year day or third-year evening students for summer internships in criminal law. Eligible summer placements include federal and state prosecutors’ offices, public defender agencies, and the Massachusetts Attorney General’s Office.

Kelly Castriotta, JD ’07, was awarded the McLaughlin Fellowship, and Andrea Messmer, JD ’07, received the Drinan Fellowship. Castriotta is interning at the Federal Public Defender’s Office in Boston, and Messmer is working in the Criminal Division of the US Attorney’s Office in Boston.

For more information about these fellowships and the Suffolk Law graduates for whom they are named, see www.law.suffolk.edu/offices/career/fellowships/fellowships.cfm.

The John E. Fenton, Jr., Public Service Awards are given annually to three Suffolk Law School students who exemplify Distinguished Professor and former Dean Fenton’s commitment to public service and are pursuing post-graduate employment with qualifying government and public interest employers. Lindy Aldrich, JD ’06, Donna Bentley, JD ’06, and Robert Hoffman, JD ’06, were named this year’s Fenton award recipients. The Fenton awards are Suffolk Law School’s largest public service grants.

Suffolk Law Sweeps Regional Trial Competition

Suffolk Law School’s National Trial Competition teams swept the New England Regional competition in February. This is the fifth straight year that Suffolk has won the regional competition—and the first time the Law School has swept the competition by winning both top spots.

Eleven of the 14 ABA-accredited law schools in New England send two teams annually to the regional competition. This year, Suffolk teams beat Harvard and the University of Connecticut in the two final trials before Chief Judge Steven J. McAuliffe of the US District Court for the District of New Hampshire, and Judge Paul J. Barbadoro of the US District Court for the District of New Hampshire, and a panel of top trial lawyers, after eliminating one or two teams from Franklin Pierce, Roger Williams, Quinnipiac, Maine, and Boston College.

Suffolk Law School was represented by two teams—Kevin S. Freytag, JD ’06, and Erin Jordan Harris, JD ’06; and Joseph F. Comenzo, JD ’06, Cassandra Ruth Hearn, JD ’07, and Benjamin Ostrander, JD ’07. Both teams represented the region in the finals held in Dallas, Texas, in March. A further honor for Suffolk was winning both Judy Potter Best Advocate Awards, which were awarded to Harris and Comenzo in their respective trials.

Professor Timothy Wilton and Bobby Hazelton, JD ’02, coached the winning teams. They were assisted by Jason Drori, JD ’05, Cindy Erickson, JD ’05, and Greg Donoghue, JD ’05.
Celebrating a Half-Century of Firsts

Catherine Judge, JD ’57, LLM ’60

For exactly half of Suffolk University’s 100-year history, she has been both the first and foremost in many roles at Suffolk Law School—graduate, registrar, professor; and also a treasured mentor, advisor, and friend.

Catherine Judge was ranked first in her law school class, and in fact, was the only woman to graduate with the Class of 1957. At the time, women comprised only four percent of the student body. “Though in a distinct minority, I never felt any sense of discrimination,” she says. “The men in the class treated me as one of their peers.”

She was also the first Suffolk Law registrar and in 1966 was hired as the Law School’s first female professor. Professor Judge was awarded tenure in 1970 and continues to teach at her alma mater with the same spirit and enthusiasm she exhibited during her first year as a professor four decades ago.

By all accounts, Professor Judge is a true pioneer; an intelligent, driven, and compassionate individual who has led the way for other women who are deeply committed to receiving a quality education and achieving their professional and personal goals.

“Professor Judge has assumed many roles over the years—student, administrator, faculty member, mentor, counselor, advisor, and friend,” says Lorraine Cove, Law School registrar and assistant to the dean. “She has been a role model not only to me, but to countless members of the faculty and administration, as well as to her students—we have all benefited from her counsel.”

Judge always has been keenly interested in teaching law. She is extremely dedicated to her students, providing them with encouragement and assistance long after scheduled office hours are over. During her tenure, she has taught thousands of students, and she takes great pride in helping them to grow beyond the classroom walls.

“She has worked for five deans and, while describing each of them as special in his own way, she emphasizes how they all created a similar working environment. “We have always been like a family, working with each other, not for each other,” says Judge. “I’ve been very fortunate for all these years to be surrounded with so many good and caring people.”

Professor Judge has been a member of numerous committees at Suffolk Law and for many years chaired the Admissions Committee. She was honored for her 50 years of service at the Dean’s Reception in October 2005 and earlier last year was awarded a Heritage Medallion for her outstanding contributions to the life of Suffolk University.

“Few individuals have contributed to the history, tradition, and heritage of the Law School and the molding of its students into professional members of the bar and business, as has Professor Catherine Judge,” said Suffolk University President David J. Sargent. “Such is evidenced by alumni who express their appreciation for the kind, nurturing, and strict guidance which has benefited them in their professional careers.”

As the Suffolk community prepares to celebrate its centennial, Judge is proud of the Law School’s transformation from the school she first entered, to the nationally recognized institution it is today.

“When I began as the Law School registrar, we had little modern equipment,” she says, smiling. “We didn’t even have a photocopy machine—and had to share a stencil machine with the Bursar’s Office. And that elevator in the Archer Building was like a birdcage; everyone was afraid to go on it.” She pauses, before adding, “I have very fond memories of that time.”

by Tony Ferullo
On Their Side

Katherine Lawson, JD '06

Growing up in Cincinnati, Ohio, Katherine Lawson’s introduction to public interest legal work began early. The daughter of a legal services attorney, Lawson was inspired by her parents’ social justice focused careers. Soon she embarked on one of her own.

BEGINNING as a certified sexual assault survivor advocate during her first semester in college, Lawson then worked at Planned Parenthood in Ohio and Massachusetts, at the Sexual Assault Response Network of Central Ohio, and as a member of the board of directors of the Central Ohio Abortion Access Fund and the Eastern Massachusetts Abortion Fund.

Knowing that a legal education would strengthen her advocacy skills and expand her opportunities for assisting clients, Lawson chose Suffolk Law School and Boston as her public service training ground.

From coursework to internships and volunteer work, Lawson's drive and determination have a clear focus. At Suffolk Law’s Family Advocacy Clinic, Lawson is certified to represent indigent clients, most of whom are domestic or sexual violence victims, in contested family law cases. She also represents clients and develops resources for the Girls HOPE Project, a program to assist high school rape victims at the Victim Rights Law Center (VRLC) in Boston. "Working at the VRLC has been a particularly formative experience for me. They do exactly the kind of work I hope to pursue," Lawson says. The only center of its kind in the country, VRLC provides civil legal services to victims of sexual assault.

One of Lawson’s mentors at Suffolk Law is Clinical Professor Ilene Seidman, who teaches a sexual violence seminar and oversees the Family Advocacy Clinic. Lawson made herself known to Seidman during her first week at Suffolk. "Kate has tremendous passion for her work, and she works incredibly hard to learn as much as she can to better advocate for her clients, never faltering in her determination."

Lawson is inspired by the examples of Seidman and her colleagues at the VRLC. "My mentors reflect their personal values in their work and have shown me what social justice work looks like day to day," she says. Lawson's mentors are also inspired. "I have worked closely with Kate for the last three years and have learned a great deal from her. She has years of experience working with survivors and has excellent judgment in handling clients. She has already made an impact," says Susan Finegan, legal director at the VRLC.

To help fund her work at the VRLC, Lawson has pursued and received a number of fellowships, including the Anne E. Borghesani Community Foundation Fellowship and the Equal Justice America Fellowship. Most recently, she was awarded the prestigious National Association of Women Judges Access to Justice Scholarship. Honored at a December 2005 reception, Lawson met women judges from across the country and notes, "I was humbled to be among so many distinguished women offering me their support."

Lawson draws energy and enthusiasm from her colleagues. "The collaborative process is critical. We process together and support each other," she says. After graduation, she plans to continue her work in victims' rights advocacy, providing legal services to domestic and sexual violence victims. "This is a lifelong commitment," Lawson says. According to those with whom she works, those she serves are fortunate to have this tireless champion on their side.

by Kathleen Peets
The Future of Power
Energy Lawyers Shape the Changing Landscape
by Tracey Palmer
It's cold and late. After a long day at work, you pull into your driveway, go into your house, switch on the lights, and turn up the thermostat. You don't think twice about the energy it takes to make these things happen, and you're not alone.

Whether it's electricity, oil, or natural gas—most of us don't know where energy comes from or how it gets to us. We want it, when we want it, at a price that isn't too high. But the energy landscape is shifting, and with the war in Iraq, Hurricane Katrina, and price spikes this winter, suddenly, it seems, everyone is paying closer attention to energy. Will we have enough? How do we get more? And how high will the prices go? The answers to these questions will depend largely on government regulators, energy companies, and the attorneys who represent them.

Whether it's siting an LNG (liquefied natural gas) terminal, settling a dispute between landowners and oil drilling companies, or setting rates for state electric customers, attorneys have long influenced how new and existing sources of energy are developed, acquired, and distributed. Their work has always been crucial, but in the next decade, energy lawyers will take a leading role in shaping US policy. According to several leading Suffolk alumni and faculty members on the frontlines of these policy decisions, the practice of energy law is one of the most exciting and demanding legal fields today.

Complex and Dynamic

BP, Kerr-McGee, Marathon, Shell, and Sunoco are among Michael Mazzone's clients. A partner with Haynes and Boone, LLP, a rapidly growing international business litigation and transactional firm based in Texas, Mazzone, JD '82, represents energy companies in environmental contamination and toxic tort cases. In one case, he's up against Masry & Vititoe, the real-life firm made famous by the film Erin Brockovich. Often it's high-profile work but that's not the appeal for Mazzone. "I like the area because there's both a technical aspect and a legal aspect to every issue," he says. "Not your typical contract cases, mine are much more interesting."

In one current case, the prosecution claims that Mazzone's client is responsible for a lupus disease cluster in a New Mexico neighborhood situated near the client's crude oil tanks. In preparation, Mazzone and his team must master a plethora of technical information. "After understanding the chemical components of crude oil, we must determine if the crude oil can cause lupus and how it could have come into contact with people in the region," Mazzone explains. From air modeling science to groundwater hydrology to toxicology and epidemiology, it's extremely technical and complex—and all in a day's work for this Boston native. One of the trickiest parts is figuring out "how to depose scientific experts who have a lot more expertise than I do," he says.
Always Changing

Energy law is not only technical, but also changes every day. "There are very few people who understand the nuances," says Michael Caljouw, JD '91, whose government practice in the Boston office of Holland & Knight focuses on utility policy and regulatory changes.

"It is a highly specialized area of law that melds technical and legal positions with practical policy concerns. You have to keep up with the ever-changing rules of the game and how they affect people on a daily basis."

One monumental policy change about to keep Caljouw and others very busy is called PUHCA (pronounced pooh-ka)—the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 (15 U.S.C. 79 et seq). On February 8, PUHCA was repealed. Its repeal, some say, represents the largest implication of energy changes in 25 years.

Since the Great Depression, PUHCA regulated investments in the electric and gas utility sector and transactions between utility systems. When President George W. Bush signed the Energy Policy Act of 2005 this past summer—putting in place the end to PUHCA—it went virtually unnoticed. A minuscule part of a massive 1,724-page document, the repeal could have far-reaching repercussions for the energy industry in this country and around the world.

Borne out of the 1930s post-Depression regulatory view, PUHCA was enacted to prevent huge holding companies from taking advantage of lax or nonexistent utility regulation to defraud investors. Clamping down on inadequate financial disclosure, loose accounting practices, and excessive debt—Enron-like disasters—PUHCA limited who could invest in utilities and imposed geographic limits on the scope and size of holding company systems.

Those who support the law say it worked—since 1935, not one PUHCA-regulated utility holding company has gone bankrupt. But current energy needs are different than they were 70 years ago. Many experts maintain that PUHCA's geographic limitations are outdated. "Energy is an international commodity, and one that is increasingly global," says Caljouw. "An interruption in supply to a source in Venezuela has immediate impact on price for someone in Boston or Los Angeles, for example."

Furthermore, experts argue, the industry needs an infusion of investment. New and updated transmission systems and power lines are needed, as are investments in emerging technologies, such as wind power and renewable energy. Some say this can only be accomplished by letting the market drive the change. But the proof of this argument remains to be seen.

Debate about deregulation aside, there are now no restrictions on who can buy and own public utilities. As a result of the PUHCA repeal, holding companies can invest in other types of non-utility businesses, anywhere in the country. And foreign entities can buy up utilities here in the United States. Private equity funds, banks, foreign utilities, and non-utility businesses are all potential investors. The future reliability, supply, and cost of electricity, oil, and natural gas are sure to be affected, and the outcomes are uncertain. One result all experts seem to anticipate is a rush by holding companies to buy, sell, invest, and consolidate.

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“There will be a wave of mergers and acquisitions,” says Caljouw. “And that means there will be a great deal of legal work.” Just this year alone, four or five major transactions will be complete. One such example is the pending $11 billion merger of Florida Power and Light with Maryland-based Constellation Energy, creating the nation’s largest energy supplier and the second-largest electric utility. The new company will also become the third-largest nuclear plant operator in the United States, owning and operating seven nuclear power stations.

And this is just the beginning, says Tim Shevlin, JD ’74, executive director of the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy, the state agency charged with public utility regulation. “For new attorneys, this is an interesting and expanding area of practice to consider.”

Suffolk Law Professor Steven Ferrey agrees: “Energy is the most capital-intensive industry in the United States and, for that matter, the world. The amount of cash invested in this industry is staggering.” And, Ferrey adds, “It’s a legally intense area.” With so much cash and capital assets trading hands, law firms will be working fast and furious to keep up, he says. Ferrey, who teaches energy and environmental law, is the author of several books and countless articles on the subject, including The New Rules: A Guide to Electric Market Regulation (Pennwell Books, 2001) and Law of Independent Power: Development Cogeneration Utility Regulation (West, 24th ed., 2006). In the United States, it’s a growing trend to replace regulators with lawyers, he says. “When electric energy markets are deregulated and exposed to competitive market forces, some of the traditional role of regulators is

**Act Locally and Globally**

A new charitable foundation Professor Steven Ferrey established gives attorneys a way to have a direct and measurable impact on both renewable energy and education. The foundation, Computers Across Borders, will accept donated, still-working, used laptop computers from law firms and corporations.

Ferrey has enlisted local high school students to inspect the laptops, and make them ready for use by teachers in underserved areas, including those in developing nations. The computers will be capable of running educational software and accessing the Internet. The initial recipients overseas will be in underserved parts of developing nations where renewable energy is used. Laptop computers have very low power consumption and are easily transported.

Ferrey has worked in developing nations to implement renewable energy reforms for the United Nations and World Bank projects for more than a decade. He will be enlisting this network to advise on where these contributions can make the most lasting difference. One of the first countries targeted is Senegal, where Suffolk University operates an international campus and where there is a highly touted model renewable energy program. Alumni or others interested in this new effort to recycle laptops may contact Ferrey at sferrey@suffolk.edu or 617.573.8103.
replaced with attorneys representing newly liberated market actors; contract law replaces some of agency regulation. This creates a need for more trained attorneys to represent the flood of market participants, says Ferrey.

"It's a very dynamic environment," adds Robert Fitzpatrick, JD '92, an attorney in the environmental department of WilmerHale in Boston, and a member of the adjunct faculty at Suffolk Law School. Fitzpatrick focuses on environmental compliance, or, as he puts it, "meeting the needs of rapidly changing markets. There's going to be a lot of opportunity for creative lawyering—it's a fascinating marketplace."

With an almost certain increase in demand for the services of seasoned professionals like Fitzpatrick, Shevlin, and others, energy practitioners could be in short supply. "It's a small bar," says Ferrey. "It's always hard to find enough lawyers with specialized expertise." Most agree that the current number of practitioners won't be prepared to handle the deluge of anticipated work and that the number of energy lawyers could triple in the next ten years.

... Oil and Gas, That Is

In the Northeast, energy most often refers to electricity. Where Carl Rosenblum, JD '83, practices, energy traditionally means oil and gas. Rosenblum is a partner and head of the energy litigation practice at Jones Walker in New Orleans, Louisiana, the largest law firm in the state. Like Mazzone, he typically represents oil and gas corporations in disputes.

"Ninety percent of my energy practice is litigation related, and litigation is all risk based," he says. "We decide cases somewhat by analogy. So there's almost no telling what could happen in the courtroom. One of the reasons I like what I do is that my clients understand and appreciate risk."

Rosenblum recently found himself in the eye of some risky business when he was displaced to the firm's Houston, Texas, office by Hurricane Katrina. A storm survivor, he has a unique perspective on the post-disaster energy situation. Lately, he's been "sidetracked" by spill cases involving force majeure and "acts of God" as several of Jones Walker's clients had crude oil tanks destroyed in the hurricane.

"It was the tidal surge—a 25-foot wave—that moved multi-ton equipment from one side of the Mississippi to the other—a span of more than a mile," recalls Rosenblum. As a result of the ensuing spill, landowners and fishermen have filed dozens of class action lawsuits.

In the wake of Katrina, oil and gas prices spiked yet again this year, worrying consumers. For the lawyers who work with Mazzone and Rosenblum, high prices also meant mounds of additional work. "Almost every state's attorney general has opened an investigation into the price of gasoline," says Mazzone. "And responding to these requests falls on the energy bar."

Another result of price increases is a rush to discover more supply. "When price goes up, exploration increases," says Rosenblum, often bringing inexperienced people into the industry. "When there's a lot of
money to be made, people jump in. It keeps a litigator like me pretty busy.” And because of the high stakes, Rosenblum adds, the types of deals being done are “somewhat nontraditional.” In the current climate, companies are taking risks they wouldn’t have taken in the recent past,” he says. “I have a client that three to five years ago wouldn’t have considered buying a drilling company. Now, they’re in the process of purchasing one. Some people might think that the traditional oil and gas practice is a dying breed, but I’m here to tell you it is alive and well,” Rosenblum adds.

Assessing the Impact

From advising huge companies to search for oil reserves to setting the daily rates for electric customers to advocating for poor people with no heat, the work of energy lawyers touches us all. And with the current economic, environmental, and geopolitical climate, legal energy work will be in abundance in the foreseeable future.

“There’s no question that energy policy is going to have a dramatic and lasting impact on all of our lives,” says Sheila Renner, JD ’74, an attorney with the Massachusetts DTE. Energy is going to become “precious and rare.” “Increasingly, people purchase larger TVs and have several computers in their homes. In Massachusetts alone, the demand for electricity is expected to rise 1.5 percent each year—a change that will absolutely require the generation of additional electricity.”

Today, the average American doesn’t have a lot of choice about where he buys his energy; however, many experts say that will soon change. On the public utility side, the PUHCA repeal will have a major impact. “On a practical level, energy suppliers will most likely change,” says John Cope-Flanagan, JD ’85, assistant general counsel at the Massachusetts DTE. “Consumers are going to start to see a wider choice of suppliers, companies, and types of energy. People are going to have to start thinking about energy differently—they’re going to almost be forced to pay attention.” Competition will bring more choices, adds Cope-Flanagan, “and a better-informed consumer will make better choices.”

The controversial nature of an energy law practice makes for exciting work. For Mazzone, a difference of opinion turned personal early in his career. In his final year at Suffolk Law School, Mazzone was offered a rare paid clerkship in the law department of Exxon Corporation. When he accepted, his girlfriend promptly left him.

“There was a real attitude in New England that oil companies are the scum of the earth,” recalls Mazzone. But nearly 25 years later, Mazzone says, he’s discovered that “the in-house counsel of my energy company clients are the most law-abiding, fastidious people you’d ever meet.”

The New Future

The controversial nature of energy law may be the one facet of the practice unlikely to change. Global warming, drilling in the Arctic National Refuge, nuclear power plants, wind farms, LNG facilities, and the price of gasoline and heating oil are just a few of the hot-button energy topics in recent headlines. As these debates are settled, other disputes based on new forms of energy will emerge. Energy lawyers will continue to play a major role in the debate and the development of energy policy. And our future, experts predict, will look very different from today. So, picture this:

It’s cold and late. After a long day at work, you pull into your driveway—in a car powered by water vapor. You go into your house and switch on lights—generated by wind power. And when you turn up the thermostat, you get plenty of heat—derived from yesterday’s garbage. You don’t think twice about the energy it takes to make these things happen, and you’re not alone. •

Andrew Beckerman-Rodau wrote “Technology—A New Ethical Risk,” which was published in the Massachusetts Bar Association’s Section Review, Volume 7, Number 3 (2005).


Frank Rudy Cooper wrote “Against Bipolar Black Masculinity: Intersectionality, Assimilation, Identity, and Hierarchy,” which was published in 39 U.C. Davis Law Review 853 (March 2006). He also was elected program chair of the Association of American Law Schools’ (AALS) Law and Humanities Section.

Sara Dillon was promoted to the rank of professor. She is the author of International Trade and Economic Law and the EU (Hart Publishing, 2002), and an authority on European Union law, international trade, international business, and child labor. A summa cum laude graduate of St. Michael’s College, she completed an MA at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and an MA and PhD at Stanford University, before attending Columbia University Law School and graduating with honors in 1993.

Valerie Epps is currently teaching Public International Law and International Human Rights at Fudan University Law School in Shanghai, China. She was awarded a Fulbright Distinguished Lectureship for the spring semester 2006. She is advising the Fudan Jessup International Law Moot Court team, which placed second in the China National Competition and participated in the international finals in Washington, DC, in March.

Bernadette Feeley was promoted to the rank of associate clinical professor of law. She received her BS from Suffolk University and JD from Suffolk University Law School. She presented “Examining the Use of For-profit Placements in Law School Externship Programs” at the National Externship Conference in Los Angeles, California, in March.

Steven Ferrey authored “Renewable Orphans: Adopting Legal Renewable Standards at the State Level,” which was published in 19 The Electricity Journal 52 (March 2006). Ferrey’s book, authored with Dr. Anil Cabraal, Renewable Power in Developing Countries: Winning the War on Global Warming, was published by Pennwell Books in February.


Lorie Graham was promoted to the rank of professor. She has written on Indian child welfare, tribal economic development, and indigenous self-determination. She received a BS and JD, summa cum laude, from Syracuse University and an LLM from Harvard University.

Jennifer Gundlach was promoted to the rank of associate clinical professor of law. She received her AB from Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, and JD from The American University Washington College of Law in Washington, DC.

Benjamin J. Moppett co-authored with research librarian Rick Buckingham “Library Research Labs: A Hands-On Approach to Teaching the First Step with Your Students to Reflect Good Practice in Legal Education,” published in 14 Perspective: Teaching Legal Research and Writing 75 (Winter 2006). She also co-presented with Kathleen Elliott Vinson “Empowering Your Audience: Removing the Mental Gymnastics from the Reading Process,” at the Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, which was held at the University of Arizona in Tucson.


Kathleen Elliott Vinson wrote “Improving Legal Writing: A Life-Long Learning Process and Continuing Professional Challenge,” which was published in 21 Stetson Law Review 507 (2005). In March, Vinson co-presented with Samantha Moppett, “Empowering Your Audience: Removing the Mental Gymnastics from the Reading Process” at the Rocky Mountain Regional Legal Writing Conference, which was held at the University of Arizona in Tucson.

David Yamada presented “Developing Legal and Regulatory Responses to Severe Workplace Bullying,” at an international conference in Miami, Florida, titled Work, Stress and Health 2006, co-sponsored by the American Psychological Association and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. In January, Yamada was named chair-elect for the Section on Labor Relations and Employment Law, Association of American Law Schools for 2006.
Charles P. Kindregan, Jr.  
Distinguished Professor of Law for Research and Scholarship

Charles P. Kindregan, Jr., has been named distinguished professor of law for research and scholarship at Suffolk University Law School. He has served for nearly 40 years as a teacher, associate dean, and founding director of the Advanced Legal Studies program. In his new role, Kindregan will promote and facilitate research and scholarship by Suffolk Law faculty members while he continues to teach a full schedule of classes.

"The Suffolk Law faculty is gaining national prominence in its legal scholarship as evidenced by the fact that over 20 faculty members have recently published articles in prominent journals and authored significant books," Kindregan says.

Kindregan specializes in family law, financial issues in divorce cases, and professional responsibility. His love of teaching was again recognized when he was awarded the Cornelius Moynihan Award for Teaching Excellence in 2005. His professional life focuses on the advancement of family law as a legal study, now reflected in his work as the chairman of the American Bar Association Family Law Section Committee on Assisted Reproduction and Genetics.


Kindregan received his BA and MA from LaSalle University; his JD from Chicago-Kent College of Law of the Illinois Institute of Technology; and his LLM from Northwestern University.

Please visit www.law.suffolk.edu/faculty for more about legal scholarship at Suffolk Law School.

Alex Moschella Honored

Alex L. Moschella, JD '74, a member of the adjunct faculty since 1991, received the Charles P. Kindregan Award for Extraordinary Contributions to Advanced Legal Studies and Continuing Legal Education.

Named in honor of Suffolk Law Professor Charles P. Kindregan, Jr., the award was established in October 2002 during the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Center for Advanced Legal Studies. It is designed to honor those who have given exceptional service to Suffolk's Advanced Legal Studies program and to other providers of continuing legal education. Professors Charles P. Kindregan, Jr., and Karen Blum are past recipients of the honor.

Moschella is a partner in Moschella & Winston, LLP of Somerville, Massachusetts, with extensive experience in elder law, the representation of disabled children, and estate planning. He is a past director and a current fellow of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA), and has served as Chair of NAELA's Task Force on Multi-Disciplinary Practices, co-editor of the NAELA newsletter and past president of the Massachusetts Chapter of NAELA. The National Elder Law Foundation has also certified him as an elder law attorney. He has lectured widely on elder law topics and has published a number of articles as well as the Resource Guide for Elder Law Attorneys on Annuities in The Elder Law Portfolio Series (Aspen Publishing Company, 1999).
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Professor Stephen Hicks

A century after Gleason Archer founded Suffolk Law School in his Boston apartment, the Law School’s myriad international courses and initiatives are shaping the legal world far beyond Beacon Hill. In addition to the Law School’s summer program in Lund, Sweden, Suffolk offers a popular international law concentration for JD candidates, international internships, and an LLM program in global technology. This summer, the innovative LLM in US Law for international business lawyers will debut in Budapest, Hungary. This new offering is yet another opportunity Suffolk University Law School provides to prepare attorneys for an increasingly global profession.

Opportunity in Sweden Knocks

Professor Bernard Ortwein was reviewing possible sites for the Law School’s first foreign study summer program when a member of the University of Lund law faculty knocked on his office door. The Swedish lawyer suggested that Ortwein visit his school, located in a medieval town.

Suffolk Law School’s summer program welcomed its first group of students in 1999. Back then, nine American students traveled to Sweden; by 2005 that number increased to 56. Suffolk students learn from both American and international faculty members alongside foreign classmates during this three-week program and earn up to four academic credits. From their Scandinavian guest lecturers and professors, students recognize “there is more than one approach to any legal issue. Viewing issues from a different perspective will give you a better result,” Ortwein says.

Gabrielle Schillinger, who studied in Lund in 2005, agrees. “You’re forced outside your comfort zone, participating alongside people of different cultures,” she says. Her time abroad led her to a summer internship at the United Nations.

According to Ortwein, in addition to shaping participants’ career plans, the Lund program has helped to make Suffolk Law School known and well-respected in Europe. The Law School’s first international option has led to more.

Along the Danube, Ahead of the Curve

Professor Stephen Hicks had an epiphany when he co-taught a one-week course on US Law and Legal Methods in Lund with Ortwein and Professor Richard Perlmutter last summer. International lawyers wanted to study US law at the master’s degree level, but were dissuaded by the one-year commitment and tuition costs.

“Bernie Ortwein and I explored the possibility of taking the curriculum abroad,” Hicks says. They will on July 10, when Suffolk Law School, in conjunction with Eotvos Lorand University in Budapest, Hungary, and the Center for International Legal Studies (CILS) in Salzburg, Austria, inaugurates its LLM in US Law in Budapest for international business lawyers.

“It’s unique—we are the first US law school to offer a postgraduate program abroad for international lawyers to learn about the common law case method,” says Hicks. Although the program is designed for non-US international lawyers (anyone with an American JD is not eligible to participate),
Hicks and Administrative Director Bridgett Halay have had a very positive response from international lawyers and postgraduates. Approximately 20 lawyers are expected in the inaugural class. To accommodate these professionals’ schedules, the program is divided into two-week intensive summer sessions. By earning six credits and completing a research project each summer, students may finish their LLM in three years. Halay says candidates have applied from every continent. Such a response reassures Hicks that Suffolk Law School is again ahead of the curve.

**Concentrating in Boston**

“It’s often been said that all of law has been internationalized,” says Professor Valerie Epps, faculty director of the international law concentration. Students recognize the need to globalize their studies and flock to Suffolk Law’s newest concentration accordingly.

“The important part of the concentration for me, was the access it gave me to knowledge I very much wanted, for example, in immigration law,” says Jordana Hart, JD ’04. “I think Suffolk’s program, even as it continues to develop, is setting the standard nationally, especially in its breadth of offerings.” Hart sought “to have the very active immigration law community in Boston begin to recognize Suffolk Law School as a hub of academic and professional immigration law activity.” Upon graduating, Hart joined that community herself—first as an attorney with Ross, Silverman & Levy LLP in Boston, and now as the principal in a private practice in Cambridge. Her fellow Suffolk Law graduates with this concentration are being accepted into prestigious LLM programs. And as a result of the summer program in Sweden, distinguished students may now be nominated to earn the University of Lund’s LLM in European Affairs tuition-free after earning their JD at Suffolk.

**Beyond the JD**

Though Hicks believes that law is the force driving globalization, technology obviously plays a large role as well. For law school graduates who have an interest in both, Suffolk offers an LLM in global technology. Students can further focus in one or more of four specialties: intellectual property law, biotechnology and health law, information technology, or international law and business.

Established in 2002, the LLM attracts students from around the world, including Alexandra Diehl, ’04, from Muenster, Germany. “I was impressed that every participant can choose from a wide range of courses and develop his or her own professional program,” she says. “I was thrilled by this experience and more motivated to study law than ever before.”

Diehl was admitted to the New York bar after completing her Suffolk degree, and then clerked with the German Foreign Ministry at the German embassy in Washington, DC, in summer 2005. She begins her doctoral studies at Dusseldorf University Law School this fall. “It is not very difficult to guess what I am going to focus on,” she says. “Of course my doctoral thesis will have a connection to the US. If I had not done my LLM at Suffolk, I would probably not have this opportunity.”

Suffolk’s international offerings inspire the faculty and administration to create even more. “Students know how the world has changed,” says Ortwein. “There are no boundaries with the Internet; we’re all moving in a small world.” In Boston, Lund, and Budapest, the Law School’s global focus trains them to thrive in that world.
Career Connections

Suffolk Law School graduates have always been generous—sharing their time, expertise, and insight to support and extend the efforts of the Career Development Office (CDO). To help students and one another, many alumni have participated in career panels and presentations. Others have shared their experiences in one-on-one meetings with students. Noted below are just a few of the ways some of our many alumni have supported the Suffolk Law community in the past year.

As part of the CDO’s “Starting Your Career In...” series, graduates spoke about their practice areas and career paths. Michael DeMarco, JD ’71, of Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Nicholson Graham, provided students with invaluable advice on beginning careers in civil litigation.

During Lunch with Lawyers, nine graduates discussed their work in practice areas as varied as construction law and national security.

The Honorable Thomas M. Sullivan, JD ’93, chief counsel for advocacy for the US Small Business Administration in Washington, DC, spoke about opportunities in public policy, lobbying, and government agencies. In another public law program, Kyla McSweeney, JD ’03, an attorney with Massachusetts Advocates for Children, encouraged students to pursue postgraduate fellowships in public service. McSweeney had participated in a prestigious Equal Justice Works Fellowship.

Suffolk Law graduates working in Boston-area law firms participated in the CDO’s mock interview program, helping to prepare students for fall on-campus interviews. Maura Greene, JD ’85, of Bowditch & Dewey in Worcester, returned to Suffolk to present her program, Interviewing Success.

In its tenth year, the annual Alumni Career Forum has become an important networking event. This year’s program, highlighted by keynote speaker Tom Dwyer, JD ’70, of Dwyer & Collora, drew more than 50 graduates in diverse practice areas who met with 200 students to provide valuable career information and advice.

Our Alumni Career Network is another way for alumni and students to connect. Participants register on the CDO’s Web page, making their contact information available to students who need guidance about practice areas, geographic locations, or particular employers. See the accompanying sidebar for registration information.

Suffolk Law’s regional alumni chapters provide an additional invaluable network. Thanks to Stephani Hildebrandt, JD ’00, president of the Suffolk Law Alumni Association’s Washington, DC, Chapter, the chapter coordinated contacts between its members and students scheduled to interview with members’ employers at an area job fair.

In New York City, Jim Trainor, JD ’00, an intellectual property attorney with White & Case, helped identify Suffolk students for both the firm’s summer program and associate positions. Trainor’s matchmaking was rewarded when two Suffolk Law students received job offers from White & Case.

On behalf of our students and the entire Suffolk Law School community, the Career Development Office extends its thanks and appreciation to all of our many alumni for their continued energy and commitment to our career development efforts.

Join Us

The Career Development Office encourages alumni who would like to participate in a career program or volunteer to assist students to contact Mary Karen Rogers, associate director of career development, at 617.573.8094. To register for the Alumni Career Network or for more information, please visit the CDO Web page at www.law.suffolk.edu/offices/career/.

Cape Cod Chapter

Alumni and friends from Cape Cod and southeastern Massachusetts gathered on October 16 to tour the Sandwich Glass Museum and enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres at a reception at the historic Inn at Sandwich Center.

Jeanne Hession, JD ’36, DJS ’74, Suffolk University trustee (right); and guest.

[1 to R] Matthew Fink, BA ’64; guest; and Andrew Garcia, JD ’91.
Rhode Island Chapter

The newly established Rhode Island Alumni Chapter kicked off the academic year with a cocktail reception at Café Nuovo where alumni and guests viewed the closing evening of Waterfire on October 29, 2005.

New Hampshire Chapter

At the annual alumni dinner on February 23 in Bedford, New Hampshire, the Alumni Chapter presented checks to this year's recipients of the Suffolk Law School Alumni Loan Assistance Program, a program they initiated to assist New Hampshire attorneys working in public service.

Merrimack Valley Chapter Wine Tasting

Class of '81 Sets Sights High

Suffolk Law's Class of '81 will celebrate its 25th reunion in June with a lasting remembrance—a $300,000 scholarship to benefit financially deserving law students in memory of deceased classmates.

The Class of '81 Scholarship Committee organized a class-wide solicitation in order to reach their target. "Our goal is pretty straightforward," says Richard Scheff, Class of '81 committee member. "We feel one of the best ways to thank Suffolk Law for the education we received here—and the subsequent role it has played in shaping our careers—is by helping others to receive a similar education. And we particularly wanted to do something meaningful in memory of those who will not be with us at our 25th Reunion."

The Class of '81 will celebrate its reunion on June 2-4. Scheff invites all members of the Class of '81 who have not yet done so to make a class gift in honor of this important scholarship drive.

For further information on the Class of '81 Scholarship, please contact Matthew Eynon at meynon@suffolk.edu or 617.305.1908. Please visit www.law.suffolk.edu/giving for more information about other giving opportunities available at Suffolk Law School.
Outstanding Alumni Recognized

Over 200 alumni and guests packed the ballroom of the Seaport Hotel in Boston to honor two outstanding Suffolk Law School alumni at the Annual Alumni Awards Dinner on November 14, 2005. Former member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives and Suffolk University Trustee Gerard F. Doherty, JD '60, received the Outstanding Alumni Service Award. Chief Justice of the Vermont Supreme Court, Paul L. Reiber, JD '74, received the Outstanding Alumni Achievement Award.

Gerard F. Doherty, JD '60; and Daniel Hogan, JD '94, president, Law School Alumni Association.

Paul L. Reiber, JD '74, chief justice of the Vermont Supreme Court; and Robert Parnillo, JD '74.

Florida Chapter Hosts Winter Alumni Gatherings

Naples Philharmonic Concert and Reception in Naples on February 10.

Alumni and guests enjoyed listening to Philharmonic Music Director and Conductor Jorge Mester speak about the evening's performance.

Greater Boston Chapter

4th Annual Recent Grad Holiday Party

Alumni gathered at The Rock in Boston on December 1, 2005.

Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Kenneth Greenberg addressed alumni and friends at a University-wide luncheon event. Attendees then enjoyed a private docent tour of the art collection.

Luncheon and tour at the Norton Museum of Art in West Palm Beach on February 12.
California Alumni Events

Cocktail Reception at the Montage Resort in Laguna Beach on March 10.

Tour of the de Young Art Museum and cocktail reception at the Beach Chalet, San Francisco on March 12.

California Alumni Events

Pasadena Symphony Orchestra concert and reception in Pasadena on March 11.

Alumni and guests enjoyed a concert and reception with the orchestra’s music director.

Health and Biomedical Law Concentration Award Luncheon

Professor Barry Brown, director of the health and biomedical law concentration, presented awards to Michele Garvin, JD ‘87; Hon. Rosemary Minehan, JD ’78, and Thomas Barker, JD ’98, for distinguished contributions to legal policy and practice in health and biomedical law, at the February 28 luncheon.

Home Buying Workshop for Recent Graduates and Students

Alumni working in the fields of mortgages, real estate, and real estate law explained the steps to buying a home or condominium to alumni and students.

Reception and Tour of the Bruce Museum, Greenwich, Connecticut

(Left to right) Professor Neil Hunt, Sawyer Business School; Walter Caffey, dean of enrollment, division of enrollment and retention management; Hager Harrison, BA ’71; Marcia Swanson, BS ’74; Philip Mortensen, JD ’72; and Mark Haddad, MBA ’93, president, University Alumni Council, at a University-wide event at the Bruce Museum on March 22.

(Left to right) Professor Brown served as moderator for a panel discussion at the luncheon with Michele Garvin, JD ’87, and Judge Rosemary Minehan, JD ’78.

(Left to right) David Murray, JD ’02; Mike Cannuscio, JD ’98; and Dana Casali, JD ’99.
Mr. Speaker

Salvatore F. DiMasi, JD '71, DPA '05
Massachusetts Speaker of the House

GROWING UP in a crowded tenement building adjacent to the Old North Church in Boston’s North End, Sal DiMasi didn’t have central heat, a bathtub, or a shower in his family’s home until he was 21. For the captain of Christopher Columbus High School’s football and basketball teams, the school shower was a coveted amenity. Fortunately, too, the class president graduated third in his class, enabling him to shift his focus from a potential athletic scholarship to winning a partial academic scholarship to Boston College, after a serious touch football injury in his junior year claimed his spleen and dashed his college athletic hopes.

But DiMasi’s story is less about good fortune than it is about pride, hard work, and public service. “My grandparents immigrated from Italy, making sacrifices and working hard toward a better life for each of their children,” says DiMasi, who was elected speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives in September 2004. “I am very proud and very honored to be speaker—it is a tremendous experience to be in this position, one that requires all of the skills and training I’ve received my entire life.”

That training began early. “Wanting to be American more than anything else, my parents and grandparents always emphasized the importance of education, knowing that it was the key to success. I worked hard in order to go to college,” says DiMasi, who spent summer days in South Boston working on the loading docks of the St. Johnsbury Trucking Co. from 7am to 3pm, and returned to work at his neighborhood pool from 4 to 8pm. “There were a lot of lessons and experiences there—and I quickly realized just how much I really wanted an education,” he says.

According to DiMasi, Suffolk Law School’s mission to provide educational opportunity to capable and hard-working students attracted him here and enabled him to achieve success in his career. “My experience at Suffolk was great—fabulous, fantastic, intellectually-stimulating, and full of great practicality—I loved it, and couldn’t imagine being better trained in the law.”

Beginning his career as an assistant district attorney in Suffolk County, he soon entered private practice and ran against a third-term incumbent in the House. Losing by 145 votes in that first legislative bid in 1976, DiMasi admits he “was bitten by the bug of politics. I’m a social animal—and a competitive one. I like to win,” he says.

Along America’s Freedom Trail in a neighborhood whose population was 90 percent Italian-American, DiMasi also learned about community and survival. “We always helped one another, caring for someone who was sick, providing meals for those out of work—that’s how we survived,” he says. It is this unique perspective that has shaped DiMasi’s agenda on Beacon Hill.

Since his election to the House in 1978, DiMasi has worked to increase funds for legal services, the judiciary, and access to the legal system for the poor; to support the IOLTA program; to expand services and care for the homeless, elderly, and mentally ill; and to support economic stimulus and job-creating state policies. His tireless support for these causes has earned him countless honors from the legal, mental health, and health care communities. And his most recent campaign—for universal health care in Massachusetts—is grabbing national attention.

DiMasi speaks passionately of the social compact created by the originators of the Massachusetts Constitution—to serve and create laws to protect the welfare and safety of all of the citizens of the Commonwealth—as he urges his fellow legislators to follow in the footsteps of their predecessors who created the first public schools, libraries, and transportation system in the United States. “Responsibility for the health of our residents must be shared—by government, employers, individuals, providers, and insurers,” he says. “With a universal health care plan that is comprehensive enough to insure everyone; financially feasible enough to be sustainable; and innovative enough to be efficient, we can lead the nation.” The consensus health care bill DiMasi spearheaded became Massachusetts law in April.

When he first became speaker, DiMasi and members of his leadership team embarked on a statewide “Mark Twain” listening tour as they developed their economic stimulus package. Amidst the rounds of bear hugs, DiMasi made a point of quoting Twain—“I never learned anything when I was talking, so I’m going to shut up and listen.”

by Sara Romer
Preserving the Arts

Nina Mitchell Wells, JD ’76
New Jersey Secretary of State

NINA MITCHELL WELLS was introduced to the wonderful world of art, culture, and history at an early age. She remembers her father piling all seven children into the old station wagon every Sunday afternoon at their home in Washington, DC, and embarking on educational field trips to the nearby Smithsonian Institution museums and other historical sites.

“They were visits that made such a difference in my life,” says Wells. “When I had children of my own, my husband and I would take them to visit various museums and cultural events all over the country. It was a natural progression the way everything turned out.”

Since graduating from Suffolk University Law School 30 years ago, Wells’ expansive career path has followed an impressive pattern, with roles in government, higher education, philanthropy, and corporate law. Earlier this year, she was appointed by New Jersey Governor Jon Corzine to serve as the state’s 32nd secretary of state.

In her official capacity, Wells is responsible for the promotion and preservation of the arts, history, and culture of the Garden State—and considers this to be her ideal job.

“I am honored and excited to join Governor Corzine’s cabinet, and be a champion for New Jersey’s extraordinary cultural and arts institutions—the true jewels of New Jersey,” says Wells, who was recognized by the New Jersey Garden State Bar Association for outstanding legal, community, and philanthropic services in 2005, and was named one of the “100 Most Influential New Jerseyans” in 1996.

Prior to her appointment as secretary of state, Wells was vice president of public affairs of Schering-Plough Corporation and president of the corporation’s philanthropic arm, the Schering-Plough Foundation, from 1998 through 2004. Wells began her legal career as assistant corporation counsel for the City of Newark, New Jersey. She was later tapped by Governor Jim Florio to head the Division of Rate Counsel for the Department of the Public Advocate, where she was responsible for examining all regulated utility rate filings in the State of New Jersey. She also was a corporate attorney with New Jersey Bell Telephone Company, Bell Communications Research, Inc., and The CIT Group, Inc.

Her varied background also includes working as assistant dean and director of the minority student program and financial aid at Rutgers University School of Law. Throughout her career, she has served on the boards of trustees of numerous secondary and collegiate institutions, cultural foundations, community support and revitalization organizations, and philanthropic causes.

“My new position is an amazing culmination of all the experiences I’ve had over the years,” says Wells. “It’s like everything has come together. I am so fortunate to have had so many rewarding opportunities, and this one is amazingly special. I hope I can, in this position, enrich the lives of many.”

Looking back, Wells has fond memories of attending Suffolk Law. “Boston was a wonderful place to go to school,” she says. “And my professors really promoted and encouraged public interest law and the importance of shaping public policy.”

She also recalls the camaraderie of her Law School friends and classmates. Barbara L. Beccles, JD ’76, remains in contact with Wells. “Nina and I met at Suffolk and we hit it off right away,” says Beccles, senior staff counsel to National Labor Relations Board Member Wilma Lieberman. “She is a very intelligent and kind person and I’m really happy for her and all the success that she has enjoyed.”

Wells and her husband, lawyer Ted Wells, met while they were high school students. They live in Livingston, New Jersey, and have two children—Teresa, 27, a graduate of Brown University; and Phillip, 25, a graduate of Georgetown University School of Business and currently in his second year at Fordham Law School.

by Tony Ferullo
John R. Rathgeber, JD '76, was named president and CEO of the Connecticut Business & Industry Association (CBIA) in January. Beginning his career at the CBIA in 1977 as a staff attorney, Rathgeber also served as general counsel, executive vice president, and most recently as chief operating officer.

According to Roger Joyce, the CBIA's chairman of the board, "John has a wealth of experience, strong leadership skills, and a clear strategic vision for the CBIA and its members."

Rathgeber says he is excited about the new position and is looking forward to helping make Connecticut a great place for businesses to grow and create job opportunities. "This state is blessed with a diversity of industries that can be successful in the global economy. If we pay attention to cost issues, invest in our infrastructure and, most importantly, ensure that today's students learn the skills they need to lead our economy; we will have a bright future," Rathgeber says.

The CBIA is the largest statewide business organization in the country, with 10,000 member companies.
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John W. Kepler III has joined Gallop, Johnson & Neuman’s intellectual property group in St. Louis, MO.

Linda Mariani was appointed to the board of trustees of Mitchell College.

Carol A. Witt, BS '73, was elected vice president of the Massachusetts Bar Association Society of Fellows.

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Joseph B. Collins, a shareholder in the law firm of Hendel & Collins, P.C., in Springfield, MA, has been inducted as a fellow of the American College of Bankruptcy.

Francis A. Ford, the clerk of courts for Worcester county, was re-elected to a second one-year term as president of the Massachusetts Bar Foundation.

William M. Levine of Lee & Levine LLP in Boston, MA, was named one of The Top 100 in Worth magazine’s guide to the best attorneys in the nation.

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Jeanne S. Kangas was elected vice chairman of the Massachusetts Republican Party.

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David E. Cherny, a partner in the Boston, MA firm of Atwood & Cherny, P.C., was named a 2005 Massachusetts Super Lawyer in the field of family law by Law & Politics magazine.

Bradford N. Louison, an attorney with Merrick, Louison & Costello, LLP, in Boston, MA, was promoted to colonel, US Army Reserve, Judge Advocate General’s Corps in December 2005.

Lance M. Solimini was named vice president of human resources for GPX International Tire Corporation.

1982

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Lisa A. Grant was appointed to the Board of Bar Overseers for a four-year term. A private practitioner concentrating on criminal defense, domestic relations, and real estate law, Grant has offices in Boston, MA, and Wilmington, MA.

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Howard Bloom, JD ’77, published The Baseball Encyclopedia: A Highly Opinionated, Myth-Busting Guide to the Great American Game (Emmis Books, 2006). Written with friend and fellow lawyer, Michael Kun, the 300-page volume offers a humorous twist on baseball trivia and debunks myths and misconceptions about the game and the people involved with it. Writing at night and on weekends, Bloom continued to work at Jackson Lewis LLP, where he is a partner. A lifelong baseball fan, Bloom says he “enjoyed the regular debates [he and his] co-author...had about many of the baseball myths in the book.”

Larry Packenham has joined Boston Private Bank & Trust Company as senior vice president and team leader for the Commercial Real Estate Lending Group.

James Torney, BSBA ’76, has been appointed a juvenile court judge in Suffolk County, MA.
Lark Jurev Palermo has joined Habitat for Humanity in Boston, MA, as chief executive officer and executive director.

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John G. Bagley, a partner in the Springfield, MA, law firm of Morrison Mahoney LLP, was named a Massachusetts Super Lawyer for 2005 by Law & Politics magazine.

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Christopher R. Anderson, president of the Massachusetts High Technology Council and the Massachusetts Defense Technology Initiative, was appointed to the Massachusetts Board of Education for a five-year term.

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Daniel J. Goldberg, a partner with the Boston firm of Ruberto, Israel & Weiner, was named chairman of the litigation department. Goldberg was featured in Banker & Tradesman magazine in March.

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Kirk Carter, shareholder and director of Fletcher, Tilton & Whipple, has married Anthony Price. They live in Hudson and Provincetown, MA.

Robert A. George, JD ’80, was named one of ten “Lawyers of the Year” in 2005 by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly, chosen for his “integrity, professionalism and drive.” George’s noteworthy career as a criminal defense attorney spans 25 years.

“This work, which is often exciting and stimulating, has given my family the good life that I wanted to provide and, hopefully, has done a lot of good for many of the clients I have taken on over the years. Making a difference is all we really can ask for in our work, and I think I have been able to achieve that goal,” he says.

George was honored at the 2006 Excellence in the Law Celebration at the State Room in Boston in February.
William F. Sinnott, JD '85, was named corporation counsel for the City of Boston by Mayor Thomas Menino in March.

"Bill Sinnott...understands the issues that face the city. He'll be a great asset to the administration," said Menino in a Boston Globe report. As corporation counsel, Sinnott oversees 60 lawyers and paralegals and serves as legal advisor to the mayor and city. "This is a most challenging and exciting position with great relevance to every resident of Boston," he says. Previously in private practice, Sinnott also served as an assistant US attorney in Boston for 11 years.

During this time, his roles included deputy chief and chief of the Drug Task Force and district office security manager.

A colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve, Sinnott recently completed a tour of duty in Iraq where he was the director of security for the Baghdad Project and Contracting Office. He was responsible for the safety of hundreds of military and civilian personnel and helped shape policies on reconstruction, contractor safety, and private security firms. He also was appointed to the board of trustees of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in December 2005.

Janette Fasano, the first woman elected to the Saugus (MA) Board of Selectmen, celebrated 25 years in office—and a record 18 as chairwoman—in December 2005. She is also the area director for the Small Business Administration.

Christopher P. Litterio was named managing shareholder of Ruberto, Israel and Weiner of Boston, MA.

Robert M. McConnell, a partner with Motley Rice LLC who has concentrated his practice on asbestos, tobacco, and lead paint litigation, was part of the trial team that successfully advocated on behalf of the State of Rhode Island in Rhode Island v. the Lead Industries Association. The historic verdict was the first of its kind against the former producers of lead pigment anywhere in the country.

Denise Meagher was appointed associate justice of the Probate and Family Court in Worcester, MA.

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Charlene S. Bazarian-Fruehauf and her husband Erwin Fruehauf announce the birth of their third child, Chase Emerson Fruehauf.

Robert B. Feather was appointed to the board of trustees of The Providence Center. She is the clinical director for Adult Psychotherapy Services in Providence, RI.

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John Crowley was appointed by President George W. Bush to serve as a veterans law judge on the Board of Veterans Appeals. He is living in Arlington, VA.

Tara Knight was named a Super Lawyer by Connecticut Magazine. She is a partner in Knight, Conway & Cerritelli LLC in New Haven, CT.

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Neil F.X. Kelly, an assistant attorney general for the State of Rhode Island, was part of the trial team that successfully advocated on behalf of the State of Rhode Island in Rhode Island v. the Lead Industries Association. The historic verdict was the first of its kind against the former producers of lead pigment anywhere in the country.
Thomas Robbins, previously head of the Massachusetts State Police, has been named police chief at Boston University.

Douglas K. Snook, BA '88, and Carl Erickson, BS '88, practice law at Erickson & Snook, PC, in Braintree, MA. Snook was admitted to the New Hampshire bar in October 2005.

Nick Triano, has joined the Boston, MA, office of Goodwin Procter as counsel in its Business Law Department and Life Sciences Practice. He was previously an associate with Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky and Popeo.

1993

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Joanne Belasco has become the vice president, chief operating officer, and information officer for the Tapestry Institute in Harrison, NE, and also directs the organization's horse-human relationship program.

Matthew J. Burklnshaw was elected to the executive council of the Creditors' Rights Section, Commercial Law League of America.

Joan Foster Evans, senior counsel in the legal division of the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy, was named co-chair of the Energy and Telecommunications Law Committee of the Business Law Section of the Boston Bar Association.

Kurt Fliegauf has become a partner at Conn Kavanaugh Rosenthal Peisch & Ford, LLP, in Boston, MA. He practices in the area of civil litigation with a concentration in commercial, employment, and construction law.

Stephen P. Flavin, BS '90, was named associate provost and dean of extended education at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

David Ianelli has joined Gadsby Hannah LLP as a partner in Boston, MA.

Robert J. Nedder, Jr., was promoted to lieutenant in the Police Department of Dedham, MA.

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Donald F. Borenstein has formed a new law firm, Johnson & Borenstein, LLC, in Andover, MA, continuing the practice of the Law Office of Mark B. Johnson. Borenstein and his wife Heidi welcomed their third child, Margaret Nancy Borenstein, in October 2005.

Jay Davis, managing partner of Graeber, Davis and Cantwell in Quincy, MA, was re-elected to a second term as the Quincy City Councilor for Ward 4.

Gina Ghioildi is a weekly contributor to the New England Cable News NewsDay segment, discussing consumer and other legal topics.

Joseph R. McCabe, has been named managing partner of the Boston, MA, office of Heidrick & Struggles International, Inc., the executive search and leadership consulting firm. He also serves as co-managing partner of the Human Resources Practice for the Americas.

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Gary Engelson was named a partner at Lowie, Lando & Anastasi, LLP, in Boston, MA.

Scott Farber has joined Bank of America as a senior vice president in the Miami, FL, office serving as a wealth strategist. He and his family have relocated to South Florida.

Allan Fung, government relations counsel for MetLife and a city councilman in Cranston, RI, was named to the Providence Business News "40 Under 40" list for 2005, which recognized the top 40 professionals under the age of 40 who are making a significant impact in the business sector and in the community.

James McManus has joined RDW Group/Boston as a vice president in the agency's public relations practice.

Tara Spann was named director of diversity initiatives for Staples' North American delivery division.

William L. Sturman, Jr., was named counsel to Debevoise & Plimpton LLP in the New York office. He is a member of the corporate department and the investment management practice group.

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Christine D. Anthony has opened a practice in Worcester, MA, concentrating in domestic relations. Her email address is cdanthonylaw@verizon.net.

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Lisa Cooney has joined Manchel & Brennan, P.C. in Newton, MA, specializing in employment law and non-competition litigation. She lives in Needham, MA, with her husband Jack and their two-year-old son Dillon.

Matthew Day was appointed first assistant clerk of the courts for Middlesex Superior Court in MA.

Raymond J. Jacoub has opened a law office in Great Barrington, MA.

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Jessica (Singer) Berrien, of Monroe & MacConnell in Amherst, MA, has married Dan Berrien. They live in Northampton. She would like to hear from those living in the western part of Massachusetts at jsinger@gmail.com.

Jennifer Carson, BS '96, and her husband Stephen Carson, BA '96, welcomed their daughter, Adrienne Takouhi Carson, on September 22, 2005. She weighed 7 lbs., 5 oz., and was 18 inches long.

Susan Stephens Jenkins has joined Strategic Financial Services, LLC, in Utica, NY, as managing director.

Jason Panos has joined the real estate practice group in the Andover, MA, office of Devine Millimet.

George A. Ramirez was elected to the Lowell City Council. He is the first Hispanic elected to public office in Lowell, MA.

Jason Scally was named managing editor of Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly.

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NEWSMAKER

Janet Donovan JD '89, received the Leila J. Robinson Award from the Women's Bar Association (WBA) at its annual gala in October 2005, in recognition of her professional achievements and her work to advance the careers of women attorneys. Donovan is the manager of the legal advocacy program at Casa Myrna Vasquez Inc. in Boston and a former president and longtime member of the Women's Bar Foundation.

According to Lissy Medvedow, executive director of the WBA, "Janet has mentored both young and more senior women lawyers. She is generous, personable, and very smart. We consider her one of the 'saints' of the Women's Bar."
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**Gregg Bailey** has married Catherine Miller. They live in Dordie.ster, MA.

**Mary R. Jurgensen** has married David LaCivila. They live in Brockton, MA.

**Reza MoUaaghababa,** has been elected partner of Nutter McClennen & Fish LLP in Boston, MA. He focuses his practice on various aspects of intellectual property law.

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**Peter Donatelli,** an attorney with Schectman, Halperin, Savage in Providence, RI, has married Priscilla Goff. They live in Saunderstown, RI.

**C. Danielle James** married Dr. Vincenzo Galdi on September 3, 2005 in the Duomo di San Matteo (c. XI century) in the historical center of Salerno, Italy. They are living in Italy.

**William Moorhouse** is working in the Administrative Law Division of the Staff Judge Advocate's Office of the US Army in Fort Stewart, GA, where he will be stationed for the next two or three years.

**Evan Ouellette,** an assistant district attorney for Suffolk County, has married Kathryn Godowsky. They live in Brighton, MA.

**Eric Weber,** a captain in the US Air Force Judge Advocate General Corps, has married Robin Lloyd. They live in Omaha, NB.

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**NEWSMAKER**

**Susan K. Howards, JD '89,** was named the 2006 Brookline Woman of the Year by the Brookline Commission for Women at a ceremony at Brookline High School on March 23. She was recognized for her support of women's issues, particularly women in conflict with the law, and her work to promote equity for women in the criminal justice system.

In private practice since 1989, Howards also served on the Brookline Human Relations Youth Resources Commission for ten years and as chair for four years, and is a member of the Brookline Community Emergency Response Team, and a Brookline Rotarian.

Howards credits her Suffolk Law School experience for giving her "the confidence and courage" to do the work for which she is being honored.
2003

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Robert Brown, BA '00, has joined the firm of Lovins & Metcalf in Woburn, MA, concentrating on civil litigation. Most recently he was a prosecutor for the Norfolk County District Attorney's Office.

Elise Hoffman has relocated her law office to North Andover, MA, and focuses on civil litigation, employment law, and consumer protection matters.

Patricia Morisette and her husband Barney welcomed their first child, Wesley Benjamin Morisette, on May 5, 2005.

Mary Jo Silva and her husband, Adam Sykes, welcomed a son, Blake Denton Sykes, on April 29, 2005.

Christopher G. Roundy has joined Roundy Law offices in Dover, NH.

Jason Valencia is assistant general counsel for the US Social Security Administration in Boston, MA.

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Seth M. Bonneau has joined the law firm of Halloran & Martin in Woburn, MA, as an associate specializing in real estate, commercial finance, and corporate law.

Edward Cassella has joined the law firm of Cloutier & Eddy in Old Saybrook, CT.

Anne Chalmers, an attorney with Dailey & Associates in Bridgewater, MA, has married Keith Fleming. They live in Boston.

Mariani Colclough and Chad Lyons were married on October 25, 2005. They live in Whitman, MA.

Gregory T. Donoghue has joined the Boston, MA, office of Preti Flaherty as an associate in the litigation practice group.

Melanie G. McBride has joined Gust Rosenfeld in Phoenix, AZ, as an associate practicing in insurance defense, products liability, construction defects, and premises liability.

Rebecca J. Mutch is an associate in the law firm of Robinson Donovan, P.C.

Anna Speros is an associate at Martin, Magnuson, McCarthy & Kenney in Boston, MA.

Glen Tagliamonte was appointed an assistant district attorney for the Berkshire County District Attorney's Office in MA.

Michelle Tessier has joined Liberty Mutual in Worcester, MA, as a litigator.

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Anne Bussman has joined the office of New York City's corporation counsel in the commercial and real estate litigation departments.

Kristen E. Ferris was named an associate at Keches & Mallen, P.C., in Taunton, MA.

Jared D. Freed is a tax attorney for Ernst and Young in Boston, MA.

Courtney E. Murphy, an attorney in the US Navy, has married Matthew K. Lewis. The couple currently resides in San Diego, CA.

Sarah Paddock, an attorney with the law office of John A. Grant in Yarmouthport, MA, has married Bryan Schlegel. They live in Marston Mills, MA.

Katherine (Kerry) Reilly, MBA '97, was named assistant counsel with the BISYS Group in Boston, MA, and focuses on securities law.

R. Bennett Sargent IV has joined the law office of Mark L. Janos, concentrating in the areas of business and civil litigation, employment law, and entertainment law.

In Memoriam
Bernard Bradley, LLB '21
Thomas F. Kelley, LLB '31
The Honorable Paul A. MacDonald, LLB '37
George H. Baker, LLB '40
Thomas H. Finan, Jr., LLB '40
Mario Misci, LLB '40
Philibert Pellegrini, LLB '41
Henry G. Mullahay, LLB '43
Albert G. Tobin, Sr., LLB '50
John W. Wright, LLB '50
Sherwood Launderbach, LLB '52
Leonard J. McDonald, LLB '52
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John Tierney, Jr., LLB '55
Paul Fulton, LLB '56
The Honorable Thomas J. McGrimley, LLB '56
Cornelius P. Connolly, Jr. LLB '57
Frank Morris, LLB '57
John Campbell, LLB '62
Peter Macdonald, LLB '62
Gerald A. Shay, LLB '65
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Harold J. Powers, LLB '66
William P. Tuccio, LLB '66
Michael Barba, JD '70
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John E. Sear, JD '71
Mark A. McComiskey, Jr., JD '74
Alexander G. Gray, Jr., JD '77
Patricia Watson, JD '77
John Bryan Little, BA '74, JD '78
Walter G. Lee, JD '79
William T. Harby, JD '80
Lawrence McCarthy, JD '85
Susan J. Cawthorne, JD '88
Monroe Inker

Monroe Inker, a leader in the Boston legal community and highly respected member of the Suffolk Law School adjunct faculty, died on April 15 at the age of 80.

Inker co-taught Child Custody and Visitation Law, the only custody course in the country, with Edward Ginsburg, a retired probate and family court judge in Massachusetts. He also co-authored *Massachusetts Practice—Family Law 3rd Edition*, a four-volume "bible" of family law, with Suffolk Law Professor Charles Kindregan. Inker's law firm sponsored an annual family law essay contest at Suffolk, recognizing student scholarship focusing on the law of domestic relations.

"Monroe was called the father of modern family law—a title he richly deserved," says Kindregan. "While he could be a zealous advocate in the courtroom, he was also a lawyer who cared about the development of young lawyers and all his life was a true teacher. Law students and young lawyers learned so much from him and he loved teaching them." In addition to Suffolk University, Inker also taught at the law schools of Boston College, Northeastern University, and his alma mater, Harvard University.

Raised in Brooklyn, New York, Inker earned his law degree at Harvard Law School. In the early 1960s, he became increasingly interested in the imbalance in the outcomes of divorce proceedings for women and men. His advocacy efforts led to the 1975 passage of an equitable distribution law in Massachusetts that significantly improved women's rights and changed legal history in the state and the country.

As a divorce lawyer, Inker represented many high-profile clients. His love of the law and desire for positive change never waned. Last year, he closed his law practice at White, Inker, Aronson, PC, and went to work for the Boston firm of Rubin and Rudman, where he shifted his focus to custody law. "I'm interested in the questions that go on and the issues that still have to be resolved," he said, in a November 2005 *Boston Globe* interview.

Inker is survived by his wife of 46 years, Elaine, of Newton; daughters Lauren Inker of Needham and Rachel Inker of Jericho, VT; and four grandchildren.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Monroe Inker Memorial Fund, Suffolk University Law School, 120 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02108-4977, and will be used to fund advanced legal studies scholarships for Suffolk graduates and those employed in public interest law.

Patricia Watson, JD '77

Patricia Watson of Rockport, Massachusetts, died on April 9. The Cape Ann feminist and civic leader was 65.

Born in Queens, New York, Watson graduated from the University of Massachusetts in Amherst where she met her husband, Peter. She worked for Little, Brown book publishers, Channel 7, and the *Boston Herald* before attending law school.

Watson was an attorney in general practice, first handling divorce cases, then concentrating on estate planning, land use, and real estate. She was also a tireless volunteer and community leader. A founding member of a Cape Ann feminist group in the 1970s, she was also a member of the Cape Ann League of Women Voters, the Rockport Democratic Town Committee, and a volunteer for both the Howard Dean and John Kerry presidential campaigns. Beginning in 1993, she became a member of the Rockport Zoning Board of Appeals, serving for many years as the board's chairwoman.

She is survived by her husband Peter of Rockport and her two sons, Seth of Ann Arbor, Michigan and Jared of Seattle, Washington.

Alexander G. Gray, Jr., JD '77

Alexander G. "Alec" Gray, Jr., of Boston, Massachusetts, died on August 15, 2005. He was 52.

Gray most recently served as chief legal counsel to the Massachusetts Trial Court. Prior to his appointment in 2001, he was executive director of The Adoption Center and chief operating officer of Concord-Assabet Family and Adolescent Services.

According to the *Boston Globe*, Gray was a dedicated public servant who focused his work on the protection of "troubled, abused and abandoned children." From 1977 to 1987, Gray served as assistant attorney general under Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti and again under Attorney General Thomas Reilly from 1999 to 2000. As general counsel to the Department of Social Services from 1990 to 1995, he worked to reform a number of child welfare laws, one of which reduced the average adoption time in Massachusetts by almost two years.

Gray leaves his husband and partner of 21 years, John Pynchon.

John Andrew Deery, LLB '65

John Andrew Deery of Mattapoisett, Massachusetts died on December 1, 2005. He was 78.

Born in Salem, Massachusetts, Deery was a graduate of Phillips Exeter Academy, Princeton University, and Harvard Business School. Deery was a real estate attorney, first practicing in Cambridge, and then in New York. He was an avid sailor, skier, and tennis player.

Deery is survived by his wife of 50 years, Joanella, of Mattapoisett; and five children: Shawna Deery Barrett of Fairfield, Connecticut; John Andrew Deery III of New Canaan, Connecticut; Sean Adam Deery of Mattapoisett; Dr. Elza Deery of Gilford, New Hampshire; and Tristram Gibbons Deery of New York City; as well as 14 grandchildren.
Fostering Success

Paul Zerola, JD '01

He always wanted to work for himself. A handful of years after passing the bar, Paul Zerola is doing just that. The bustling general practice firm of Zerola & Associates, P.C., in Lynnfield, Massachusetts, includes his wife, Nicole Inglese Zerola, JD '01, and handles everything from criminal defense and personal injury to divorce and immigration matters. "I feel fortunate because I love my work—I enjoy developing case strategy, counseling clients, appearing in court, and cross-examining witnesses," he says. "I'm passionate about advocating for my clients."

Recognized by Boston Magazine as a Massachusetts Rising Star in 2005, Zerola is committed to returning some of his firm's good fortune to Suffolk Law School. Zerola recently established a Centennial Scholarship Fund and made a substantial gift to the Law School building fund. "The way I see it, Suffolk gave me the tools I needed to be successful. I would not be in the position I am today without my Suffolk Law degree."

Zerola was well acquainted with the legal world before entering law school, spending 12 years as a paralegal at several Boston firms. Once he decided to move from the role of paralegal to center stage, Zerola applied only to Suffolk Law School, where his brother, Gary Zerola, BS '94, JD '98, MPA '98, was a student. "Through Gary, I met many Suffolk students and several professors," says Zerola. "I couldn't picture myself going anywhere else."

Zerola worked hard, attending classes by day and working at night. "With financial aid awards that I couldn't have managed without, Suffolk made it possible for me to attend the Law School," he says. "Growing up in foster care, I didn't have a traditional family to rely on for support. A couple of times, when funds were especially tight, I returned to the financial aid office to plead my case. Suffolk always came through for me—and I knew that as I began to achieve success in my own career, I was going to give something back."

In fact, Zerola has made a habit of giving back. In memory of some of the grim Christmases he spent in foster care in the 1980s, he and his brother established a foundation to buy holiday gifts for children in state custody. Since 1998, they've raised more than $60,000 to make the holidays brighter for foster kids. Zerola has twice received the Horizon of Hope Award from the Massachusetts Department of Social Services; he also is a volunteer lawyer of the day in the Massachusetts Probate and Family Court in Suffolk and Middlesex counties.

While he's proud of the gift fund and the newly established Zerola Family Scholarship Fund at Suffolk, he sees such efforts as an obligation. "I think if you're doing well in your career, you have to give back," he says. "Every time in my life when I needed help—when I felt like I couldn't go one step further—somewhere, somehow, someone reached out. I want to be that person for others now."

by Maura King Scully
Originally published in the November 1916 issue of the law student magazine, the *Suffolk Law School Register*, this photograph depicts 6 Alpine Street in Roxbury, the founding site of Suffolk Law School. Gleason Archer chose this location as both a home for him and his future bride Elizabeth G. Snyder, and his new law school.

In his book *Building a School: A Fearless Portrayal of Men and Events in the Old Bay State, 1906–1919*, Archer notes that this location “had a fair-sized room with a bay window that overlooked the street.” He wrote, “I could use the room for lecture purposes and place in the bay window transparent glass signs that would proclaim ‘Archer’s Evening Law School’ to anyone who approached the house from either direction.” Archer held the Law School’s first class here on September 19, 1906, with nine men in attendance.

In 1907, Suffolk Law School moved to Archer’s law offices at 53 Tremont Street, presently the location of Three Center Plaza in downtown Boston.