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How a Bite of Prevention Can Reduce Soaring Costs
CALENDAR 2004-05
UPCOMING EVENTS

ADVANCED LEGAL STUDIES
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NOVEMBER
Understanding the Psychological Aspects of Divorce: Techniques for Divorce Lawyers
Thursdays: November 4, 18 and December 2

NY Alumni Wine Tasting
Tuesday, November 16
7-9pm
Episcopal Seminary
New York City
$25

Critical Impact of Avena on Criminal and Immigration Cases: Rights and Remedies under the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations
Thursday, November 18

Alumni Association Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, November 20
10am-12noon
Sargent Hall

DECEMBER
Los Angeles Alumni Chapter Holiday Party
Thursday, December 2
6:30-8:30pm
Lunaria Restaurant
Los Angeles
$10

Recent Grad Holiday Party
Thursday, December 2
6-8pm
The Rack, Boston

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

Law, Money and Broken Promises: A Collaborative Team Approach to Managing Conflict
Friday and Saturday, December 3 and 4

Holiday Pops
Friday, December 17
4pm
Symphony Hall, Boston
$83 floor seats, $48 balcony

JANUARY
Alumni Reception in conjunction with The Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting
Friday, January 7
7-8:30pm
Hilton Hotel
San Francisco

Alumni Luncheon Series
Barbara Anthony, JD '77
Director, Federal Trade Commission, NE Region
Monday, January 24
12-1:30pm
Sargent Hall
$15 alumni, $25 non-alumni guests

Police Misconduct Litigation
Friday, January 28
University of Washington Law School
Seattle

FEBRUARY
Alumni Luncheon Series
Date and Speaker TBA
12-1:30pm
Sargent Hall
$15 alumni, $25 non-alumni guests

March
Alumni Luncheon Series
Date and Speaker TBA
12-1:30pm
Sargent Hall
$15 alumni, $25 non-alumni guests

New Land Use and Permitting Developments: Residential and Commercial
Friday, April 1
Forecasting the Future of Copyright
Friday, April 8
Effective Tools for Estate Planning: Singles, Unmarried and Same-Sex Couples
Friday, April 29

May
Alumni Luncheon Series
Date and Speaker TBA
12-1:30pm
Sargent Hall
$15 alumni, $25 non-alumni guests

Introduction to Section 1983 Litigation
Thursday, May 19
Sophisticated Police Misconduct Litigation Issues
Friday, May 20

June
Reunion Weekend for Classes ending in 0 or 5
June 3-5

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October 2005 Annual Alumni Awards Dinner
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By Sara Romer

Cutting edge medical and biotech research is responsible for bringing us closer than ever to a cure for much of what ails us. But as the costs for the high-quality health care we demand soar well beyond our ability to pay, some leading health care advocates look to prevention as one way to stop the bleeding.

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IBC PROFILE IN GIVING
I AM PROUD THAT SUFFOLK UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL is considered by many legal scholars, educators and alumni to be “a center of excellence” for many specialized areas of our curriculum, as well as for our state-of-the-art Sargent Hall. With this issue of Suffolk Law, we highlight the breadth and strength of just a few areas of our curriculum and the faculty that make these achievements possible.

Health Care in Crisis, our feature story written by Editor Sara Romer, tackles a timely, complex issue that was at the heart of the domestic policy agendas of both presidential candidates, and recognizes the enormous expertise of our faculty and alumni in the health and biomedical law area.

How do we maximize the value of the cutting edge biomedical research that continues to be a hallmark of our health care system while also paying for the ever-increasing attendant costs? With each new biomedical discovery is the news of the growing number of people left without health insurance or access to quality care. As we consider the possibilities for a national plan for health care coverage, many experts also have suggested that we might realize dramatic positive changes now with efforts aimed at prevention.

International law and intellectual property are two other centers of excellence at Suffolk Law of which we are especially proud. In this issue, we highlight the recent work of Professor Valerie Epps, director of the Law School’s International Law Concentration, who spent the beginning of the summer training Iraqi lawyers in human rights law for the International Bar Association, and is now working on a casebook on the laws of war—only the second book of its kind. We also profile third-year law student Andrew Kai Kai, JD ’06, who is planning his career in international law far from the battlefields of Sierra Leone, where he previously fought the rebels in his homeland’s brutal civil war.

Stanley Sokoloff, JD ’66, is not only a leader in the field of intellectual property, but one who is paving the way for future intellectual property practitioners. Sokoloff endowed The Sokoloff Intellectual Property Award last year as a monetary prize given annually to a graduating student who has met high standards of academic achievement, and is ethically sensitive and highly regarded by both faculty and peers. The award reflects Stan’s deep appreciation for the coveted graduate fellowship that he received from Suffolk that enabled him to further his own legal education in intellectual property at Georgetown University Law Center. In endowing this award, Stan has also created a meaningful partnership linking him to our current and future students specializing in intellectual property.

Other graduates making a difference include Sidney Rosenthal, JD ’56, the founder of Meredith Management Corporation, who in 1986 established the Sidney J. Rosenthal Scholarship to provide financial assistance to deserving law school students each year; Patricia Wynn, JD ’83, who has used the law as a tool to help others throughout her 20 years in public service; and Bradley Pinta, JD ’80, Michael Pinta, JD ’83, and Ian Pinta, JD ’07, whose family boasts three generations of Suffolk Law graduates. The Pinta family established the Irving J. Pinta Memorial Award, a yearly scholarship for a Suffolk student selected to represent the Law School on a national team, and together with family friend Donald Rodman, DCS ’96, (Hon.), made a gift to the Law School to support the Career Development Office in Irving Pinta’s honor.

Of course, these graduates are just some of the many donors whose contributions have made this year such a successful one for all of us at the Law School. Our annual donor report is included on pages 42-68. I wish to express my gratitude to each of our donors, as well as to those who have supported us in our mission with their time and expertise—to serve on the alumni board, or to assist the offices of Admissions, Career Development, Center for Advanced Legal Studies, or moot court programs. Your continued participation is critical to our success.

Finally, I am pleased to announce the appointments of eight new faculty members who further strengthen our faculty with their own diverse experiences as legal educators and practitioners. I look forward to their contributions within our clinical education programs, and in the areas of Constitutional Law, Criminal Law and Procedure, Evidence, International Law and Legal Practice Skills.

Very truly yours,

Robert H. Smith
Dean and Professor of Law
Four Honorary Degrees Awarded at 2004 Commencement Exercises

Robert J. Grey, Jr., president of the American Bar Association, addressed 448 graduates at Suffolk University Law School's commencement exercises, held on Sunday, May 23 at the FleetBoston Pavilion on Boston's waterfront.

Grey is a partner in the office of Hunton & Williams in Richmond, Virginia, where he focuses on administrative matters before state and federal agencies. He recently became president of the 410,000-member ABA and has been active in the association as chair of the House of Delegates, a member of the Board of Governors and chair of the Commission on Opportunities for Minorities in the Profession.

The following honorees joined Grey in receiving honorary doctorates of law from the Law School:
— The Honorable William F. Galvin, JD '75, secretary of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts;
— The Honorable Sandra L. Lynch of the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit; and
— Kathleen M. Sullivan, Constitutional law scholar and dean of Stanford Law School.

2004 Suffolk Law Graduate Profile

JD Day division: 322
JD Evening division: 152
LLM: 7
Male: 245 (52%)
Female: 229 (48%)
Graduates of color: 11%
Graduates represented 35 states and 14 foreign countries.
The youngest law graduate was 23, the oldest 66.
12% of all 2004 graduates entered the Law School with advanced degrees.

Academic Concentrations
32 students graduated with academic concentrations in the following areas:
— Intellectual property
— Financial services
— Health and biomedical law
— Macaronis civil litigation
— International law

Joint Degrees
12 graduates received JD/MBA degrees, one received a JD/MPA and two received JD/MSF degrees.

Now Appearing at www.law.suffolk.edu

A new and improved Suffolk Law School Web site debuted in August. The Law School's first Web site was launched in 1999 and continued to grow exponentially over the years to nearly 20,000 pages. Today the Law School's Web site serves as a valuable first impression for many people—in fact, nearly 85 percent of admissions applications are now received electronically.

Within the new site are sections devoted exclusively to alumni, students and visitors, making it easy and efficient to find what you need. Visit the library section to access legal periodicals, state laws or legislative information; or keep up with the latest news and events at the Law School, including continuing legal education programs from the Center for Advanced Legal Studies or gatherings sponsored by the alumni relations office.

Visit our new site at www.law.suffolk.edu.
Loan Repayment Assistance Program Grows

Suffolk Law School has always encouraged its graduates to pursue meaningful legal careers in public service. With increased funding available for its Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) this year, the Law School is giving a greater number of alumni the flexibility to accept public interest career positions of their choice by taking advantage of significant loan repayment assistance for up to ten years. “That’s good news for Suffolk Law alumni and for their employers,” says Kristi Jovell, director of financial aid, “and we’re hoping that future alumni support will enable this program to grow even more significantly.” Jovell noted that for 2004 graduates, the average amount of student indebtedness was more than $80,000.

“Recent changes to the program enable LRAP funds to be available to more students and to be awarded to those students earlier,” Jovell says. Previous funding limitations permitted just two students each year to receive loan repayment assistance and required law students to wait a full year after graduation to apply for the funds. Though helpful to some, the timing of the assistance made it impossible for many recent graduates to accept lower-paying public service positions. Now students may apply during their last semester of school and receive their first disbursements at or about the time their first loan payments are due.

In June, six graduates joined the program and began work with a variety of child advocacy, domestic violence, public defender’s and prosecutor’s offices throughout the United States. Mardi Chadwick, JD ’98, who has been receiving LRAP funds since 1999, says that joining the Newburyport Women’s Crisis Center staff as its only attorney would have been impossible without LRAP assistance. “Without these funds, the Women’s Crisis Center would not have been able to afford to hire a staff attorney—I’m thrilled to be able to work in this position and pay off my student loans at the same time,” Chadwick says.

Beyond Prosecution

Professor Stephen J. Schulhofer, Robert B. McKay Professor of Law at New York University Law School, spoke at Beyond Prosecution: Sexual Assault Victims’ Rights in Theory & Practice on April 16. Co-sponsored by the Law School’s Clinical Program, Law Review and the Center for Advanced Legal Studies and Victim Rights Law Center, the program attracted professors and practitioners from across the country.

Selmi Named Distinguished Visiting Professor

Professor Michael Selmi joined the Suffolk Law School faculty this fall as a distinguished visiting professor. Now in its sixth year, the Distinguished Visiting Professors program continues to attract top legal scholars to Suffolk Law School. Selmi is a professor at George Washington University Law School and a returning visitor to Suffolk Law; he also was a distinguished visiting professor in 2002–03. Prior to entering academia, he litigated employment discrimination cases at the Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights and the Civil Rights Division of the US Department of Justice. He also served as a law clerk to Judge James R. Browning, then chief judge of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. He has published widely in the areas of employment discrimination, employment law and Constitutional law, including a number of empirical projects evaluating the impact of litigation.

Selmi received his BA from Stanford University and his JD, magna cum laude, from Harvard University.
Public Interest Law Auction Draws Crowd—and Record Bids

Enthusiastic supporters raised more than $29,000—a new record—at the ninth annual auction benefiting the Suffolk Public Interest Law Group (SPILG) in February. A spirited live auction at Sargent Hall on February 25 capped off the three-day event, coordinated by students Valerie Starr, Kate Etherington and Lindsey Burke. More than 100 law students, faculty and staff vied for items generously donated by Boston’s legal and business communities as well as Suffolk Law professors and administrators. Volunteer auctioneers Dean Robert H. Smith and Professors Michael Avery, Steven Ferrey and David Yamada entertained the crowd and drove up demand for coveted items including Red Sox-Yankees tickets, an autographed New England Patriots football and gift certificates for bar review courses.

Proceeds from the event provided stipends for 58 Suffolk Law students who participated in summer internships in government and public service and who otherwise would have been unpaid. Many students interned locally, including with the Suffolk County District Attorney’s office, Greater Boston Legal Services and the International Institute of Boston. Others ventured farther to work for the Texas Public Interest Research Group, the California Habeas Project and Congressman William Delahunt’s office in Washington, DC.

Suffolk Law alumni interested in donating items or learning more about the 2005 auction should contact SPILG at spilgauction@hotmail.com.

DNC Puts Suffolk in Spotlight

The Democratic National Convention in July offered a unique opportunity to showcase Suffolk University, and visitors from across America attended a variety of activities on campus. Suffolk’s guests included nationally known policy makers, visiting delegates, journalists and entertainers. Congressman Marty Meehan, MPA ’81, JD ’86, LL.D ’97 (Hon.), a University trustee, organized and participated in “Homeland Security and the War on Terror,” a panel discussion featuring Gen. Wesley Clark (Ret.), Congressmen Jack Murtha, LL.D ’98 (Hon.), and Ike Skelton, Gen. Claudia Kennedy (Ret.), and Massachusetts delegates.

The John Joseph Moakley Archive co-sponsored an exhibit of political cartoons, “Campaigns, Conventions and Cartoons,” which showcased the work of America’s very best political cartoonists, including 19 Pulitzer Prize winners. Inspiration for the “Campaigns, Conventions and Cartoons” exhibit came from the editorial cartoons in the John Joseph Moakley Archive. A reception was held at the gallery for superdelegates, featuring nationally known cartoonists creating drawings on the spot.

The Center for Voting and Democracy held a discussion of a right-to-vote amendment, featuring the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Jesse Jackson, Jr., Lani Guinier, Congressmen Dennis Kucinich and Corrine Brown, Kim Gandy, Robert Kuttner, Hendrik Hertzberg, Benjamin Barber and Billie Jean Young.

A “Boston Town Hall Meeting on Caregiving” on campus was filmed by PBS. Law School Professor Lisle Baker arranged a Kentucky delegates’ luncheon on campus, and Amy Agigian, professor of sociology and director of Suffolk’s Center for Women’s Health and Human Rights, organized a forum on health and human rights.

“The light of Suffolk shone brightly from Beacon Hill during the Democratic National Convention, when visitors from across the country were able to see and appreciate our University,” said President David J. Sargent.
Professor Judge Journeys to Cuba with ALS Group

Professors Catherine Judge, JD '57, LLM '60 and Charles Kindregan, Jr., Judge Isaac Borenstein and Clinical Professor Ilene Seidman were among the group from Suffolk Law School who joined with lawyers and judges from across the nation to visit Havana, Cuba, to learn about the Cuban legal system in March. Suffolk's Advanced Legal Studies (ALS) program participants attended a comparative law course and heard lectures from University of Havana professors, lawyers and judges, all sponsored by the Unión Nacional de Juristas. Enthusiastic interchanges with those practicing in Cuba made the trip an incredible educational opportunity.

Several members of the Suffolk contingent also were exposed to the Cuban medical system, when Judge, a 38-year member of the faculty, fell and broke her hip during a visit to one of Cuba's largest law firms. Borenstein, a Cuban-born national, provided necessary language translation and interpretation assistance. Beth Bower, archivist and program director for the Moakley Archive and Institute at Suffolk Law School, stayed in Havana with Judge after her surgery. Carole Wagan, director of ALS, and Kate Landry, BS '04, program coordinator for ALS, also stayed by Judge's side through her surgery and recuperation at a Havana hospital. Judge returned home in a fully equipped air ambulance and is recovering well—having recently returned to teaching.

Rappaport Honors Program Intern Named

Janelle Costa, JD '06, was selected as a 2004 intern in Suffolk Law School's Rappaport Honors Program in Law and Public Policy.

As a Rappaport Fellow, Costa worked at the Pioneer Institute for Public Policy Research on its Local Housing Regulation Project. Her past professional experience includes interning at Senator John F. Kerry's press office in Washington, DC; handling constituency services and research for the late Congressman Joe Moakley; and, most recently, preparing communications for the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department in Boston. Costa is a 2000 cum laude graduate of George Washington University in Washington, DC.

The Rappaport Honors Program was founded in 2001 when the Jerome Lyle Rappaport Charitable Foundation made a five-year grant to Suffolk Law School, along with the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, to establish the public policy institute. Each year, the program selects 12 students from Boston-area law schools to complete paid summer internships with government agencies and nonprofit organizations. Rappaport Fellows also enjoy a seminar series featuring Suffolk Law alumni and luminaries such as Michael Dukakis, former governor of Massachusetts.
FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

PROFESSOR VALERIE EPPS’ SUMMER BEGAN WITH A FLIGHT to Dubai, United Arab Emirates, to train more than 60 Iraqi lawyers in human rights law for the International Bar Association.

The weeklong program, funded by the British government, brought trainees from Baghdad to Dubai to learn about various aspects of human rights, including rights of women and criminal defendants. Participants included judges, prosecutors, professors and lawyers from Iraq. Training team members hailed from England, Egypt, Norway, Scotland, South Africa, the Netherlands and the United States.

“We used earphones for simultaneous translation—English to Arabic and back,” says Epps. “As with any academic program, it is difficult to judge the outcome, though we probably sowed some useful seeds that may bear fruit.”

Since arriving at Suffolk Law School in 1973, Epps has taught courses in Public International Law, the Laws of War and Immigration Law. She also directs the Law School’s International Law Concentration, which celebrated its first group of graduates this spring.

“Her expertise has reached and influenced students, scholars and legal activists alike,” notes her colleague, Professor Eric Blumenson. He characterizes her as “one of the leading experts on public international law and an indispensable voice on the urgent legal issues arising from the [Bush] administration’s tactics in dealing with terrorism.”

Professor Victoria Dodd agrees that Epps, a sought-after speaker for television, seminars and conferences, as well

Law at Any Latitude

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as the immediate past chair of the International Law Section of the Association of American Law Schools, has been “a true pioneer in all of her professional endeavors.”

Earlier this year, Epps authored “Violations of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations: Time for Remedies,” which appeared in the Williamette Journal of International Law and Dispute Resolution. In her article, Epps argued that the widespread failure of the United States to afford foreign detainees their rights under the Convention requires judicial review of defendants’ convictions, including the possibility of suppression of inculpatory evidence. Epps chaired an Advanced Legal Studies Conference on the topic earlier this fall.

She also presented a brief to the Massachusetts Appeals Court with Brownlow Speer, chief appellate counsel for the Committee for Public Counsel Services, on behalf of a German criminal defendant who had been denied rights under the Convention. The Massachusetts Appeals Court did not accept their arguments, and the Supreme Judicial Court denied further review. Epps and Speer then petitioned for a writ of certiorari in the US Supreme Court.

The high court denied their petition in January, but in March, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) ruled in favor of Mexico in a similar case brought by that country against the United States on behalf of 54 Mexican death-row prisoners in the United States who had similarly been denied their rights under the Vienna Convention. “So, in effect, the ICJ accepted almost all our arguments, and now the US courts must also recognize them,” Epps says.

Epps is now working on a third edition and documentary supplement to her undergraduate-level textbook, International Law, published by Carolina Academic Press. The book has been widely adopted in the United States, Canada and many European countries. She is also working on a casebook on the laws of war, which will be only the second book of its kind in a field that increasingly captures headlines.

“Valerie has gone from strength to strength, broadening her horizons and deepening her expertise in new fields of law,” says Professor Stephen Hicks. “Not only is she well known, she is well liked for her collegiality and her willingness to mentor, for her contribution to committee work and, perhaps most of all, for her indefatigable joie de vivre.”

by Steven Withrow

Michael Avery was granted tenure in 2004 based on his excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service to the Law School. He is the faculty director of the Macaronis Civil Litigation Concentration as well as president of the National Lawyers Guild. Prior to joining Suffolk Law School, he was a partner at Perkins, Smith & Cohen and had previously been in solo practice for many years. Avery is frequently invited to lecture on Constitutional law and police misconduct at law schools nationwide and has spoken at conferences sponsored by Georgetown University Law Center, Chicago Kent Law School, Suffolk University Law School, American Civil Liberties Union affiliates and the National Lawyers Guild. He is a magna cum laude graduate of Yale University and Yale Law School.


Karen Blum was elected to the executive committee of the AALS Section on Civil Rights and the AALS Section on Federal Courts. She was also invited to serve on the legal committee for the Massachusetts chapter of the ACLU.

Eric Blumenson co-authored (with Eva Nilson) “One Strike and You’re Out? Constitutional Constraints on Zero Tolerance in Public Education,” which appeared in 81 Washington University Law Quarterly 65 (2003). In addition, he was selected for the Visiting Professionals Programme at the International Criminal Court in the Hague, where he served under the auspices of the Immediate Office of the Chief Prosecutor.


Renée Landers was selected to serve as a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance study panel on “Sharpening Medicare’s Tools for Reducing Racial & Ethnic Health Disparities.” Landers was also the keynote speaker at the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Black Women Attorneys, held in Boston in April, where she spoke about the legacy of the Brown v. Board of Education decision. Several of her articles appeared in recent issues of the Boston Bar Journal; among them, “An Independent and Accountable Judiciary,” 48 Boston Bar Journal (March/April 2004), and “Pursuing Death or Realizing the American Dream,” 48 Boston Bar Journal 2 (January/February 2004).


Bernard M. Ortwein and Stephen Hicks delivered two lectures in March to the Common Law Society of Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic, titled "The American Legal System and the Case Method's Impact on Global Legal Issues." They also spoke to the law faculty of the University of Belgrade, Serbia, concerning "American Legal Methods as Part of Globalization."

Andrew Perlman was promoted to the rank of associate professor of law. Before joining the faculty at Suffolk Law School, he served as an associate in law, teaching legal research and writing while earning his LLM at Columbia University Law School. After graduating from law school, he clerked for a year for the US District Court in Chicago and then practiced as a litigation associate with the Chicago firm of Schiff Hardin & Waite. Perlman is a member of the Illinois bar and teaches Civil Procedure and Professional Responsibility.


Elbert Robertson was promoted to professor of law, having previously received tenure in 2003. Robertson has taught Torts and Antitrust at the Law School since 1997 and has written articles and lectured at national programs on antitrust, law and economics, and civil rights. Prior to teaching, he practiced antitrust law with a private firm and was a legal advisor in the Office of the General Counsel, Federal Communications Commission. He is a graduate of Columbia University School of Law, the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and Brown University.

Michael L. Rustad made a presentation at Chapman University Law School’s “Conference on Consumer Law, Punitive Damages in Cyberspace and Consumer Protection.” in Orange, California, in January. He also presented at “Guido Calabresi’s Cost of Accidents Symposium,” sponsored by the University of Maryland Law Review and held in April.


Kathleen Elliott Vinson, director of the Legal Practice Skills program, was elected to the board of directors of the Legal Writing Institute and received an incentive scholarship grant. The Legal Writing Institute is comprised of 1,300 members representing ABA-accredited law schools in the United States that seek to exchange ideas about legal writing and provide a forum for research and scholarship about legal writing and legal analysis.

David Yamada was elected to the National Executive Committee and appointed chair of the Workers Rights Committee of Americans for Democratic Action, an advocacy and policy group based in Washington, DC. In January, he presented “Legal Developments on Workplace Bullying in the United States and Abroad” at a panel discussion at the Association of American Law Schools annual meeting in Atlanta, Georgia. Proceedings will be published in a forthcoming issue of the Employee Rights and Employment Policy Journal.
Recently Appointed at Suffolk Law School

**Frank Rudy Cooper**, associate professor, was most recently a member of the Villanova University School of Law faculty. Cooper began his career as an educator following several years of legal practice. His various publications focus on criminal and constitutional issues. He is a graduate of Amherst College and Duke University School of Law. While enrolled at Duke, he was an editor of the *Duke Journal of Gender, Law & Policy* and served on the executive board of the Black Law Students Association. Cooper clerked for US District Court Judge Solomon Oliver, Jr., in Ohio and subsequently worked at the Boston office of Brown Rudnick Berlack Israels. He teaches Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure and Intersections of Race & Law.

**Janet Fisher, JD '78**, is an Academic Support Program instructor. She graduated cum laude from Suffolk University Law School, where she was a staff member of the *Suffolk University Law Review* and authored two case comments. She received her BA cum laude in English from Fontbonne College.

Before joining Suffolk Law, Fisher was a tenured associate professor at Anna Maria College, where she taught a variety of law-related courses as well as courses in critical thinking and writing and leadership. Prior to teaching, Fisher practiced both civil and criminal law in Worcester.

**Shailini Jandial George** is a Legal Practice Skills instructor. She graduated from Boston College Law School and from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, with a degree in finance and international business. After graduating from Boston College, George clerked for the justices of the Superior Court of Massachusetts. She was most recently a senior associate at the law firm of Ryan, Coughlin & Berke, LLP, where she specialized in insurance defense litigation and represented individuals and businesses in all aspects of litigation.

**Christopher Gibson**, associate professor, received his undergraduate degree from the University of Chicago, a master's of public policy from the Kennedy School of Government of Harvard University, and his law degree from Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California, Berkeley. After law school, Gibson clerked in the US District Court for the Northern District of California, served as a legal assistant at the Iran-US Claim Tribunal in The Hague, and practiced law in San Francisco. He also served for three years as legal officer for the United Nations Compensation Commission in Geneva, Switzerland, and for almost four years as the head of the Electronic Commerce Law Section in the Office of Legal and Organization Affairs of the World Intellectual Property Organization in Geneva, Switzerland. Gibson has written and lectured around the world on international dispute resolution and electronic commerce. He was most recently a partner in the London office of Steptoe & Johnson LLP, where he specialized in international dispute resolution and intellectual property in an international context.
Franco GoBourne is a clinical professor working with Clinical Professor Colette Tvedt in overseeing the Suffolk Defenders Program. Previously he served as a Massachusetts assistant attorney general in the Trial Division of the Government Bureau. He was in the US Army and Marine Corps for almost ten years before graduating from City University of New York and Boston College Law School. After law school, GoBourne served as a staff attorney for the Massachusetts Committee for Public Counsel Services, as a private practitioner and as an assistant district attorney in Suffolk County.

Laura McNally is a visiting clinical assistant professor at Suffolk Law, directing the Disability Advocacy Clinic. She is a graduate of Syracuse University College of Law and Hobart and William Smith Colleges. McNally has most recently taught in a similar clinical program at the University of Alabama Law School.

Louis Schulze, Jr. is a Legal Practice Skills instructor. Previously he was in private practice focusing on business litigation at Corwin & Corwin, LLP and Friedman & Atherton, LLP. Schulze also served as an appellate attorney with the Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office, arguing cases before the Supreme Judicial Court and Massachusetts Appeals Court. He was a law clerk to the justices of the Massachusetts Superior Court and a prosecutor in Miami, Florida, prosecuting domestic violence cases. Schulze taught Legal Research and Writing as an adjunct faculty member at the New England School of Law from 2001 until joining the Suffolk Law faculty.

Schulze received his JD cum laude from the New England School of Law in 1997. As a student, Schulze was the managing literary editor of the law journal and received the New England Scholar Award.

Jessica Silbey joins the Suffolk Law faculty to teach courses in the areas of evidence, Constitutional law, and patent litigation. She has been a litigation associate at Foley Hoag LLP, in Boston since 2001, where her practice focused on intellectual property and bankruptcy litigation. She received her undergraduate degree from Stanford University and a PhD in comparative literature and JD from the University of Michigan. During law school, she served as articles editor and associate editor for the Michigan Journal of Race and Law. She then clerked for the US District Court for the District of Massachusetts and for the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. Her current work-in-progress deals with the admissibility of film as evidence.
Family Legacy

A few families can boast three generations attending one university. Even fewer can claim three generations entering the same profession. The university, of course, is Suffolk; the profession is law; and the family in question is named Pinta.

The late Irving J. Pinta, JD '53, represented the first generation. His parents immigrated to America from Romania when he was only an infant, and he grew up in Dorchester with limited financial means. He heeded Suffolk's message of access and opportunity, eventually earning his law degree. Thereafter, he founded a successful general practice in Boston, where he worked for decades, instilling in his sons Brad and Michael—the second generation of Pintas to attend Suffolk—"a zeal for the profession."

Bradley C. Pinta, JD '80, was at first a little reluctant to go into the legal profession after earning an undergraduate business degree from Boston College. But as the oldest son, and seeing his father's failing health, he obeyed his family's wishes for him to "work in the law firm to try and create a transition." This goal did not materialize, however. Irving died the day Brad took the bar exam in 1980, the firm closed; and Brad went elsewhere. Today he is a partner in the Quincy firm of Pinta & Schwartzberg, LLP, where he practices business law and commercial litigation with his partner—another Suffolk Law alumnus—Milton Schwartzberg, JD '74.

Like his older brother, Michael R. Pinta, JD '83, followed a path from working for his father, to earning a business degree from Boston College, to studying law at Suffolk. "It was definitely a draw for me to go into the profession, growing up with it throughout my childhood," he says. Now a partner in the Boston firm of Pinta & Eggert, LLP, Michael practices civil litigation and real estate conveyancing with his partner—yet another Suffolk Law alumnus—Michael D. Eggert, JD '84. His office also has participated in Suffolk Law School's internship program during the past few years.

Taking the family tradition into the twenty-first century is Brad's oldest son, Ian J. Pinta. The 22-year-old, who inherited his grandfather's initials, is now a second-year student at Suffolk Law. Like his father and uncle, Ian received an undergraduate degree in business, but at Washington University in St. Louis, then returned east, where, in addition to his studies, he works for his father a few days a week.

Thinking of his son, Brad noted a key difference between today's law school graduates and those who graduated in the early 1980s. "Today's graduates are totally computer oriented," he said. "Their ability to research and check resources and materials is absolutely phenomenal."

In conjunction with a substantial donation from Irving's closest friend, Donald E. Rodman, DCS '96 (Hon.), Suffolk Law School has honored Irving's memory by naming the research room in the Career Development Office after him. "The generous gift of Mr. Rodman and the Pinta family has helped Suffolk University Law School fulfill its mission to prepare our graduates to enter and advance within the legal profession," says Dean Robert H. Smith. In addition, the family established the Irving J. Pinta Memorial Award, a yearly scholarship for a Suffolk student selected to represent the Law School on a national team.

"It's too bad my father isn't here to see Ian go to law school," Brad says. Michael agreed: "One of his deep desires was to have his sons go into practice with him. I wish he'd lived long enough to see that. However, his legacy of excellent education, striving to help people and the love of the law, continue in our family."

by Steven Withrow
An Officer and a Law Student

Andrew Kai Kai, JD ’06

"Winners look at what they are going to; losers look at what they are going through."

WITH THIS MOTTO IN MIND, ANDREW KAI KAI, a third-year student in Suffolk Law’s evening division, has made a remarkable journey from the battlefields of Sierra Leone to the classrooms of Sargent Hall. While he juggles an almost round-the-clock schedule of commitments, he has never lost sight of his desire to practice law. "I know I’m going to make it," he says. "There’s no question about that."

Born into one of the ruling families of Sierra Leone’s Southern Province, Kai Kai says politics is in his blood and his legal education will prepare him for that field. But before he analyzed judicial decisions, he witnessed the horrors of a lawless land while fighting the rebels in Sierra Leone’s brutal civil war. Kai Kai rose from lance corporal to first lieutenant during his army career; he also served as a platoon commander and as a member of the military police.

He tells vivid tales of being ambushed twice; the story of his arrival in America is also dramatic. Kai Kai arrived in Boston in February 1997 to visit his father; two months later, a coup in Sierra Leone made his return home impossible. He traded his visitor’s visa for political asylum and earned a bachelor’s degree in Biblical studies and theology at Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Texas.

Kai Kai is not your average law student. "It’s different when you are going to law school, are married and have three kids!" he laughs. In addition to taking courses and helping his wife, Naatie, BSBA ’04, raise their family, he works as a litigation paralegal clerk and docket coordinator at Greenberg Traurig’s Boston office and as a residential counselor for Vinfen, a human services corporation.

His army experience has proven useful at Suffolk. "I couldn’t do everything I’m doing without a strong sense of discipline," Kai Kai says with a smile. He is in good company. At Suffolk Law “there is a strong sense of camaraderie,” he says. “The kind of competition that we have at the evening division is healthy because people always lend a hand of support to each other. And the professors I’ve come in contact with have been very, very helpful.”

Kai Kai’s instructors are impressed with him. “I have never seen anyone work harder,” says Legal Practice Skills instructor Elizabeth Stillman. “I can’t say in words how much I admire his ambition and character. He will be the kind of lawyer who will make Suffolk Law proud.”

“Andrew was always a true pleasure to work with. He has such a positive outlook,” notes Herb Ramy, director of Suffolk’s Academic Support Program. “I appreciate his infectious smile and can-do attitude.”

Upon his graduation, Kai Kai plans to practice international law in Texas before returning to his beloved Sierra Leone. It is his desire to help his less fortunate countrymen that inspires him to excel in the classroom and in the wider world. "I’ve been here seven years," he says of his time in America, and "a second does not go by when I’m not homesick." •

by Jennifer Becker
As a society, we’re living longer and demanding more of the health care system that enables us to do so. And in Massachusetts, we’re fortunate to be in a medical mecca of teaching hospitals and research institutions where the response to all that ails us is the subject of seemingly limitless medical and biotech research at the cutting edge—with an extraordinarily hefty price tag to match.

Experts are considering the possibility of some form of national health care coverage for the future…but might innovative programs targeting prevention today take a healthy bite out of soaring health care costs?
We continually press our medical and biotechnology sectors for access to the latest most technologically sophisticated treatments for a range of maladies from deadly diseases to what some might consider the natural consequences of aging. At the same time, we bring our health care system toward the brink of financial disaster when the payment for these services doesn't come close to covering their spiraling costs.

It's hard to pick up a newspaper without reading about a new biomedical discovery and some aspect of our ever-increasing health care budget and the growing numbers of people without access to health insurance and adequate care. A number of Suffolk University Law School alumni and faculty are at the forefront of this policy dilemma. Speak with these health care advocates, administrators and professors, and you get a sense not only of the breadth and complexity of the issue, but also some possible solutions—both for today and the future.

**Excess and Access**

The problem is really one of both excess and access, for with each heralded achievement moving us closer to treating or managing disease at nearly any cost, is the shameful saga of those left behind—the growing numbers of people without health insurance and without access to appropriate health care.

Dr. Eileen Ouellette, JD ’90, is a pediatric neurologist and president-elect of the American Academy of Pediatrics, the organization of 60,000 pediatricians nationwide that is leading the charge for access to appropriate medical care for all children and their families. Ouellette cites statistics indicating that the health care crisis has hit the middle class especially hard—college-educated people ages 21 to 35, either without employment or in jobs paying too little to afford health insurance, comprise the largest group of uninsured in the country today. Those who are between 55 and 65 years of age are a close second.

Many previously eligible for state and federally subsidized Medicaid programs are being denied coverage or benefits, according to Laurie Martinelli, executive director of Health Law Advocates (HLA), the Massachusetts public interest law firm that directs legal advocacy efforts for the patients’ rights organization Health Care For All. Martinelli, an adjunct faculty member who co-teaches Health Law Advocacy at Suffolk with HLA’s Clare McGorrian, says that the number of uninsured people in Massachusetts was 365,000 in 2000, and that number climbed to 460,000 in 2004.

Significantly, racial and ethnic disparities also affect access to health care. Racial and ethnic minority individuals are less likely than whites to have health insurance, and disparities are apparent in both their treatment and health status, according to Professor Renée Landers, who is a member of the National Academy of Social Insurance (NASI) study panel convened to address how Medicare—the federal program providing health care benefits to the population over age 65 and certain other people with longterm disabilities—might more effectively reduce disparities for its beneficiaries and in ways that could serve as a model for the health care system generally.

“The NASI study, made possible by generous financial support from The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, The California Endowment and...
the Kellogg Foundation, is looking toward a comprehensive strategy that addresses such issues as quality of care, payment, civil rights enforcement and cultural competency and language," says Landers. "Since Medicare's inception in 1966, when hospitals quickly desegregated as a condition to receiving Medicare reimbursement, Medicare has been positioned to be a leader in reducing racial and ethnic health disparities. Though many continuing disparities cannot be directly attributed to Medicare—because Medicare cannot by itself compensate for disparities encountered during a lifetime of health care experiences—I am hopeful that the NASI study can begin to effectively identify ways to address the disparities that do exist and that affect access and quality of care."

In many ways, biomedical advances only exacerbate these problems, says Professor Barry Brown, whose work as co-director of the Health and Biomedical Law Concentration at the Law School has focused on the public policy issues arising from the rapid proliferation of stem cell and genetic technologies. "Our society fully expects that each discovery involving manipulation of the genome will be instantly integrated into our health care protocols without regard to cost," he says. "Our sense of health care entitlement extends from genetic transplants to cure Alzheimer's to the hope of genetically engineered strength, intelligence and eye color. So deep-seated is the belief that we all have a right to the 'genetic discovery of the day' that we risk a class revolution if we limit these advances to those with the ability to pay for them."

**A Bitter Pill**

One answer to the crisis is a systemic cure that appeals to many in theory—universal health care coverage for all. "It's an answer that's not intellectually complex, but is certainly politically complex," says Professor Marc Rodwin, who co-directs Suffolk Law School's Health and Biomedical Law Concentration with Brown. "Organized special-interest groups representing insurers and various business interests would oppose national health insurance unless those proposals were structured to protect their financial interests," he says. Other experts believe that universal health care would also be a bitter pill for the American public to swallow and currently has little chance for success.

"To establish an effective national health care policy, political leaders would have to decide who's going to live and who's going to die—do you know anyone who could get elected with that agenda?" asks Bill Lane, a savvy and seasoned hospital administrator with Caritas Holy Family Hospital in Methuen. Since 1972, Lane has served as president and CEO of the 271-bed acute care community hospital, where Distinguished Professor John E. Fenton, Jr., and Professor Clifford Elias, LLD '99 (Hon.), serve as chairman of the board and trustee, respectively.

Unlike their counterparts in places where national health care policies do exist—England, Scandinavia, Germany, France, Canada—Americans aren't yet willing to so alter their health care options. "Our health care delivery system is a function of our societal view—nothing more and nothing less," Lane says. "People smoke, drink and overeat; and also, then feel entitled—as they should—to high-quality medical care."

Lane recalls meeting a British citizen, living in the United States, who persuaded his 76-year-old father to leave Britain so that he could undergo kidney dialysis in the United States—treatment commonly accepted as available only to those under the age of 70 in England. "In most other countries in the world, people have been conditioned to accept the fact that, at a certain point in time, their health care system is not going to expend a lot of resources on restorative issues," says Lane. "In this country, we spend close to 70 percent of our Medicare dollars during the last 60 days of a person's life, despite the often poor quality of people's lives during that time."

Stacey Ober, JD '97, worked as an operating room nurse in Norway one summer before becoming a health care attorney and lobbyist with Craven & Ober, the Beacon Hill policy strategy firm she co-founded with Gloria Craven. At the time, she took note of the practice in the Oslo operating room of not opening the suture packages until the very moment they were needed (which required physicians to wait to proceed) and the decision not to order antibiotics following hip-replacement surgery (standard practice in the United States), which resulted in what she considered unnecessary infection. "There is a very real difference in the health care dynamic in this country," Ober says, "and there are pros and cons to both views."
"The thing that bothers me about the pharmaceutical industry is that until five or six years ago, it wasn't spending a dime on public advertising for prescription drugs—now it's spending billions yearly," says Bill Lane, president and CEO of Caritas Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

"I'm not one of these people who think that pharmaceutical manufacturers shouldn't make a profit," says Professor Renée Landers. "But I think their research should operate closer to the academic research model and less like a business driven by Wall Street to show astronomical quarterly profits and pay their executives tens of millions each year."

"The biggest single item in the budget [of the top ten drug companies] is neither R & D nor even profits but something usually called 'marketing and administration'... [an expenditure that] is two and a half times the expenditures for R & D," according to Dr. Marcia Angell, in her 2004 book, The Truth About the Drug Companies: How They Deceive Us and What to Do About It. Angell, an outspoken critic of the health care system and a featured speaker at the Law School's 2002 Health Law and Policy Forum, is a member of Harvard Medical School's Department of Social Medicine and former editor of The New England Journal of Medicine.

Imran Nasrullah, JD '95, has heard it all. Currently business development director for Genzyme Genetics in Westboro, Nasrullah was previously with Millennium Pharmaceuticals in Cambridge and the biotechnology licensing offices of the Dana Farber Cancer Institute and the Mayo Clinic.

His work to bring new technologies from the academic setting to drug companies for commercial development, to search for new technologies to streamline the process to lower the cost of drug development and increase the number of drugs that may ultimately be successful through the development cycle traces an inordinately long process fraught with significant risks, complex patent challenges and extraordinary costs at each phase.

"The overall costs to bring one new drug into the marketplace can be between $300 million and $800 million during a process that may take up to 12 years to achieve FDA approval," Nasrullah says. "The genomics revolution of the 1990s promised to take the guesswork out of our trial-and-error research, and Wall Street counted on this for greater and more rapid success and higher returns on investments.... Wall Street rewarded up-and-coming biotechnology companies with inflated valuations because of their stated promises of improving drug development efficiencies, thereby lowering costs."

Responding to Wall Street's desire for ever-increasing returns, the pharmaceutical companies attempted to adopt the biotechnology company mindset. "To reduce the huge costs of drug development, firms are trying to shorten the time to get to the market to eight to 10 years, rather than 12 years; to increase the throughput by having more drugs in the development pipeline; and to find less expensive technologies to decrease the overall costs of development," says Nasrullah. The pharmaceutical companies also struck landmark deals with biotechnology companies to access technologies and late stage drugs (still in clinical trials) in an attempt to increase their drug development efficiencies and to meet Wall Street's expectations. "The biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries are under tremendous pressure from diverse sectors—from Wall Street to consumers—to produce innovative drugs faster and cheaper, in great part because our society demands and expects the very latest and greatest available, while not necessarily wanting to pay premium prices."

And though the industry's spending on marketing may appear exorbitant, Nasrullah points to the massive physician education programs and post-marketing clinical trials included in that spending. Asserting that funds spent directly targeting consumers actually constitute a very small percentage of the industry's marketing dollars, Nasrullah also says that the industry spends a greater percentage of sales on research than any other industry.
The Crux of the Crisis

"Our system of reimbursement for services is one of the primary reasons for the crisis facing health care providers," says Anuj Goel, JD '98, director of regulatory compliance for the Massachusetts Hospital Association. "Providers are required by federal law to treat everyone who walks through their door, yet in most cases the reimbursement levels do not match the cost of providing these necessary services. And in the case of those who are ineligible for Medicaid and free care programs or are otherwise uninsured, there exists no reimbursement at all," Goel says. "Current reimbursement rates for Medicaid are 72 percent of cost; for Medicare and HMOs, hospitals are reimbursed at amounts just below their actual costs. How are providers to survive financially, especially when the costs of labor, technology, supplies, building maintenance and other overhead continue to grow...and many of the state programs do not provide any inflationary adjustments?"

Recent changes requiring sliding-scale premiums and copays by Medicaid recipients (and cancellation of benefits after 90 days of nonpayment) have pushed large numbers of low-income people otherwise eligible for Medicaid into the growing pool of the uninsured. And Medicaid's preapproval process often is completely unworkable for providers, says Ouellette. "Getting the care and medications needed for our patients sometimes takes hours of arguing with Medicaid. Cases like that are so very frustrating—you just need a few before you feel, 'I'm just going to pack it in.'"

Unfortunately, large numbers of physicians are doing just that. "We're losing more and more pediatricians each year to early retirement—and that wasn't the case just five years ago," Ouellette says. "The influx of new physicians into the system doesn't keep pace with the retirement rate, and we're seeing dangerously low numbers of physicians in certain specialties like child psychiatry, where the reimbursement rates are particularly low and the needs for specialized expertise especially great."

Ouellette says that the situation is even more severe in states like California, where Medicaid reimbursement rates are in the lowest quartile nationally and only 33 percent of the state's pediatricians will care for Medicaid patients. "Reimbursement is directly tied to access to care—if you're going to lose money on each patient, there comes a point when you just can't accept those patients. The result is even higher costs for all of us, because when patients are unable to find primary care physicians to treat them, they go to very expensive hospital emergency rooms for their treatment, or even worse, go untreated until their unmet health care needs become health care crises," Ouellette says. "Between the problems with reimbursement and soaring medical malpractice rates—mine was about to triple from what it was three years ago—we're seeing very real barriers to ensuring adequate care."

Health care providers also believe that they are hamstrung with overregulation and the myriad of state and federal requirements that are too often duplicative and cost them and the regulators enormous time and money. "In this environment, it's difficult to imagine how we can be true to our mission—to be effective, efficient and provide medically necessary care in the most affordable and cost-effective manner," Goel says. "Better attempts to streamline the regulatory process would be of enormous help to providers, who are struggling to track the deluge of ever-changing requirements and keep up with a regulatory scheme that seems out of control."

That's not likely to get easier anytime soon. With passage of the federal Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003, more regulations are on the way—together with much-needed guidance about how to interpret the law's complex changes to the managed care marketplace. Thomas Barker, JD '98, is the Bush administration's deputy general counsel for the US Department of Health and Human Services responsible for developing regulations to implement the new act. He also teaches Legal Issues in Medicare and Medicaid as an adjunct faculty member at the Law School. Barker admits that the next five years will be particularly challenging for health care lawyers. "But the intent in passing the law—to provide for Medicare coverage for outpatient prescription drugs and a restructuring of the Medicare managed care marketplace—will benefit us all in the long run," he says.

The Merge to Consolidate

Some institutions have tried to create more efficient integrated health care delivery systems with the merger of two or more health care providers and the consolidation of a multitude of administrative, operational and regulatory compliance functions. Mary Freeley, JD '84, assistant attorney general in the Consumer Protection
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Professor Clifford Elias, LL.D ’99 (Hon.)

and Antitrust Division of the Massachusetts Attorney General’s office and a Suffolk Law adjunct faculty member co-teaching Antitrust, evaluates proposed health care mergers within the context of an increasingly complex health care marketplace. “Consolidation can enable hospitals to centralize administrative and clinical functions, compete more efficiently and improve quality and access for a broad range of medical services and procedures,” she says. “However, consolidations don’t always achieve the promised efficiencies, and in some cases, consolidation may lead to the exercise of market power over those who must pay for health care services. Our goal is to ensure a competitive marketplace in which consumers have the benefit of high-quality, cost-effective health care and a wide range of choices.”

Laurie Weinstein, JD ’85, associate general counsel of UMass Memorial Health Care, worked at the UMass Medical Center for six years prior to the Medical Center’s merger with Memorial Health Care in 1998. “Merging the two different cultures and integrating the different physician groups has presented challenges, but we’ve been able to realize some cost savings and efficiencies while preserving what’s best and central to each of the facilities involved,” she says. “For us, the merger also helped the participating community hospitals to be more vibrant and provide needed services to their communities,” Weinstein says.

Ahead of the Curve

As deputy director of the Division of Public Health Practice of the Harvard School of Public Health and an adjunct Suffolk Law faculty member teaching Legislative Process in Health Care, Christie Hager views the current crisis in health care in the context of what she believes is the generally progressive nature of health policy in Massachusetts. “We’ve been ahead of the curve of reform in many areas,” she says. “Massachusetts is a generally healthy state and a dynamic one with respect to health policy, but we are also subject to the same budget constraints and economic trends that are challenging our entire country to make some very difficult decisions about how to preserve what we’ve gained from years of investment, particularly in public health.”

An Ounce of Prevention

Health care providers, policy makers, advocates, insurers and consumers may disagree about who is to blame for the inequities in our health care system and what aspects of the system need to be tweaked or completely overhauled. But most share the belief that we can realize dramatic positive changes within the system with efforts aimed at prevention.

“By insisting on smoking, excessive alcohol use, not eating well and not wearing seat belts and helmets, we are abusing ourselves and putting enormous strain on our health care system,” says Elias, who has been teaching Health Law at Suffolk for more than 25 years. “If we were more concerned with prevention and took better care of ourselves, we could easily reduce our health care costs by 50 percent.”

Ober knows that’s true. That’s why she’s working on behalf of the National Highway Safety Council and the MassSAFE (Seat belts Are For Everyone) Coalition to persuade the Massachusetts Legislature to adopt a primary seat belt law this year, a law that would establish enforcement of the seat belt requirement even when no other motor vehicle offense is suspected. “By preventing and reducing debilitating motor vehicle crash injuries that often result in Medicaid eligibility and long-term care costs, the primary seat belt legislation provides a budget-neutral means of significantly reducing state health care expenditures,” Ober says.

The statistics are staggering: From 1996 to 2000, 8,363 motor vehicle occupants were ejected from their vehicle during a crash, with most between the ages of 18 to 24. In 2000, the costs to Massachusetts Medicaid to treat just 124 of those injured for their acute costs alone was $5.9 million. MassSAFE estimates that for every percentage increase in seat belt use (experts believe that we’re likely to realize an 11 to 14 percent increase in the first year alone) two lives will be spared, 158 injuries prevented and $17.6 million will be saved in health care costs.

Ober is also lobbying in support of state tobacco control programs and increased access to breast, cervical and prostate cancer screening for the same reason: Every initiative aimed at prevention and early detection means a better and more cost effective health care system for all of us.
Ouellette is taking the case for prevention nationwide. She says that, until last year, there was no quantitative proof that receiving care consistent with American Academy of Pediatrics recommendations—care that is accessible, continuous, comprehensive, family-centered, coordinated, compassionate and culturally effective—was more cost-effective than receiving crisis care. But advocates in both North Carolina and Mississippi conducted statewide studies to support their claim and as a result were successful in persuading those states to raise their Medicaid reimbursement rates to the same level as those for Medicare. Now Ouellette and the Academy are working to assist other states to do the same. Class action lawsuits are pending in California, Oklahoma and Michigan to prevent those states from cutting Medicaid reimbursement rates and restricting benefits necessary to ensure children's access to critical preventive care.

Ouellette is a political realist. Though she's actively working for passage of MediKids, comprehensive legislation to guarantee national health care coverage for all children until age 22, she knows that adoption of this bold initiative will take time. So she's taking incremental steps—working with several health insurers for preventive care coverage through age six. Armed with recent research concluding that full coverage for this vulnerable population costs less than $1,000 per child per year. In the long run, she believes that success with this more limited initiative will help pave the way for the more comprehensive coverage we need.

And Don't Forget to Brush

Caries, the infectious disease of tooth decay, has largely been ignored for years. But recent research documenting the serious consequences of failing to treat caries has put good dental care on the agenda of many health care advocates.

Health Law Advocates filed suit under the Medicaid statute when the Massachusetts' reimbursement rates to dentists became so low (and the paperwork requirements so onerous) as to force most of the state's dentists out of the program. HLA's Martinelli is

The Real Costs of Technology

Sophisticated medical devices are allowing surgeons to complete gall bladder, coronary bypass, prostate and certain urinary tract procedures with far less physician and surgical suite time and anesthesia, resulting in speedier and more comfortable recoveries for patients. And while the hospitals' costs to procure these new technologies are significant, Jim Wagner, JD '04, argues that those costs tell only part of the story.

For 15 years, Wagner has worked in sales and marketing capacities for Boston Scientific Corporation, the Natick-based biotechnology firm pioneering a variety of medical devices aimed at reducing surgical time, overall costs and patient trauma. "Many operations can be accomplished with a scalpel and sutures in 90 minutes. But if the same medical result can be achieved with a 30-minute surgical procedure involving less trauma and anesthesia, isn't that a good thing?" he asks. "With operating room charges near $25 per minute and hospital stays totaling up to thousands per day, shaving time off surgical procedures and hospital stays results in real savings that providers can't quantify because the reimbursement and accounting processes often have not caught up with the technology. That doesn't even take into account the significant savings realized on a societal level when people are able to return to work in one week, rather than four to six weeks for certain procedures...or when physicians are able to treat more people because of the more efficient new surgical options."

Though biotech often gets slapped with the "evil greedy machine" label, the industry's motivation is really to improve the quality of life, Wagner says. "If the technology developed doesn't create a win for the patient, physician and medical community, it can't be a win for the company's business model."
hopeful that the case now scheduled to be heard in US District Court this fall will force the state to relinquish its administration of the dental program to an established third party dental insurer to streamline the process and bring dentists back to treat Medicaid patients.

“For years, good dental care was seen as a luxury rather than a necessity,” Martinelli says. “But as a result of the 2000 report by a state legislative commission established to investigate oral health, we now know that caries and oral disease cause thousands of children and adults unnecessary suffering and have often prevented children from going to school and adults from getting and keeping employment.”

The MedMal Connection

Lawyers and our litigious nature may be easy prey for a health care system under fire, but even health care providers and insurers find it hard to admit that the current tort system is a principal reason for the system’s fiscal woes. Still, Goel says medical malpractice standards create operational problems for providers, pulling doctors out for case reviews, tribunals and trials and requiring hospitals to retain patient records for excessively long periods of time. Malpractice insurers respond to increased claims with higher malpractice premiums, and physicians feel the dual pinch of lower reimbursement rates for services and higher insurance costs. Tort reform is clearly on the health care agenda.

Before joining the Suffolk Law faculty, Landers worked on health care policy as deputy general counsel for the US Department of Health and Human Services during the Clinton administration. And she helped to shape the educational agenda for the Boston Bar Association on health care and tort reform proposals during her recent tenure as president. “I find it interesting that the medical profession says that medicine spends inordinate sums of money responding to the current tort system in ways that are not cost-effective, and also that medical malpractice claims do nothing to change or improve the quality of medical care,” Landers says. “It’s not possible that both statements are true. After all, health care providers would not make the expensive changes that are necessary unless there existed a real financial incentive to do so—and the current tort system provides that incentive. It’s not the total answer to insuring patient safety, but it’s an important part of the answer, and lawyers need to continue to make the case for the tort system in the context of the ongoing debate.”

Andrew Meyer, Jr., JD ‘74, LLD ’99 (Hon.), co-founder and senior partner of Lubin & Meyer, PC, in Boston, and a Suffolk University Trustee since 2000, is doing just that. Named Boston’s #1 Personal Injury Attorney by Boston Magazine in 2002, and #1 among Massachusetts’ Elite Few trial attorneys by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly in 2001, Meyer is an ardent patient advocate and outspoken critic of the tort reform movement.

Suffolk University Law School was the first law school in Massachusetts to establish a Health and Biomedical Law Concentration, building upon Boston’s reputation as a national leader in medical care, health policy and law. For more about this concentration, co-directed by Professors Barry Brown and Marc Rodwin, see:

www.law.suffolk.edu/academic/health/
“There is absolutely no credible statistical data that supports the claim that medical malpractice verdicts increase the costs of health care,” Meyer says. “In fact, the only relationship to increased health care costs exists from the necessary treatment for catastrophic injuries that occur because of medical errors...not from our tort system.”

“It’s critical that the public understand that our legal system provides the only effective avenue for accountability in the medical profession and for recourse on the part of injured patients—and that there is virtually no monitoring of the medical profession or discipline for substandard practice,” he says.

Rx for the Future
Despite the focus on reimbursement issues in nearly every aspect of the health care debate, most health care organizations jointly identify their top priorities as issues of access, quality and reimbursement. “My own feeling is that you can’t have one without the others: If everyone has an insurance card but providers aren’t adequately reimbursed, no one will be there to treat patients. If you have health insurance but the care you’re receiving is of poor quality, then you’re not much better off than you were before. It’s critical that we push forward on all three fronts at the same time,” Ouellette maintains.

As he prepares to retire this fall, Lane reflects on the system he’s worked within for nearly 40 years. Believing that we’re headed toward a noncompetitive single payer system, Lane argues that we’ll have to separate the issue of access from those of cost and quality in order to make it work. “Government currently controls all three, and that’s not healthy,” he says, citing an example: “Government runs the Medicare program and determines that it will create a new entitlement and fund it at $1 billion. But everyone knows that $1 billion won’t do it, and when it’s public knowledge that the program actually costs $2 billion, government turns to the providers with a wink and says, ‘We know it’s not enough, but do the best you can.’ That absolutely has to stop.”

As an advocate, Ouellette says she’s learned to be patient, understanding that nothing happens overnight. “The optimists in the Academy believe that we’ll have universal health care by 2010; the pessimists think it will be closer to 2030. Importantly, what’s causing the policy debate to take center stage on a national level is the tremendous impact on the middle class. Sometimes when things become a real crisis, change comes sooner than you expect.” •
Alumni Events

Greater New York Chapter Hosts an Evening of Jazz
On April 13, Suffolk alumni from the tri-state area enjoyed a night of jazz at the Sweet Rhythm Jazz Club in Greenwich Village, featuring law alumna Ondine Darcyl, JD ’88, and her band.

Boston Chapter Reception at the Old State House
Boston-area alumni gathered on May 13 at the Old State House for a cocktail reception. Professor Joseph McEttrick spoke about the historical significance of the colonial building to the Massachusetts judicial system.

Outstanding Alumni Recognized
On April 29, the Suffolk Law School Alumni Association presented the Outstanding Service Award to Debra Carr, JD ’81 and the Outstanding Achievement Award to Stanley Sokoloff, JD ’66.

Symphony at Tanglewood
On August 8, alumni enjoyed the first annual excursion to Tanglewood in Lenox for a symphony concert and outdoor reception.
Suffolk University Law School alumni recently traveled to Washington, DC to be sworn in to the bar of the US Supreme Court.

On May 3, 46 Law School alumni appeared before the justices of the US Supreme Court during the court’s weekly Monday morning session. Dean Robert H. Smith presented the motion to admit the Suffolk Law alumni to the Supreme Court Bar, which was allowed. The alumni may now argue cases before the US Supreme Court.

The two-day program began on Sunday, May 2, with a reception at the Hyatt Regency Washington. Many alumni from the Washington, DC Chapter joined in the festivities. A breakfast for alumni and their families preceded the ceremony. A luncheon honoring the participants and their families was held at La Colline Restaurant.

Those admitted to practice before the nation’s highest court included: Carmen Alungulesei, JD ‘99; Amy Annis, JD ‘92; Paul Barbadoro, JD ‘82; Nicole Barnabo, JD ‘98; Andrea Benoit, JD ‘94; David Caristi, JD ‘97; Peter Caruso, JD ‘75; Peter Caruso II, JD ‘96; George Comeau, JD ‘99; Jodi Conners, JD ‘97; James Coyne, JD ‘74; Michael Cunniff, JD ‘99; Kevin Daley, JD ‘92; Erica DeBenedictis, BSBA ‘88, JD ‘99; Lisa DiBartolomeo, JD ‘96; Donna Ferullo, JD ‘89; Carl Goodman, JD ‘76; Leticia Hermosa, JD ‘95; Wayne Huston, JD ‘94; Maryanne Jensen, JD ‘86; Anthony Kearns, JD ‘98; Michael Lennon, JD ‘00; Laila Maalouf, JD ‘89; Elizabeth Mathieu, JD ‘77; Shealyn McGuire, JD ‘98; Erin Melia, JD ‘98; Gabriela Mendoza, JD ‘94; Cristina Micchia, JD ‘94; Lorraine Cordero Moyica, JD ‘99; Paul Nugent, JD ‘83; Laurel O’Connor, JD ‘94; Mary O’Connor, JD ‘99; Kathryn O’Leary, JD ‘88; Mary Ann O’Neill, JD ‘96; Michael Palladino, JD ‘96; Maria Rivera-Ortiz, JD ‘99; Jill Romer, JD ‘87; Gary Solomon, JD ‘97; Mark Solomon, JD ‘97; John Spillane, JD ‘93; Thomas Sullivan, JD ‘93; Linda Turteltaub, JD ‘92; Robert Ward, JD ‘78; Jay Weaver, JD ‘99; Jonathan White, JD ‘99; and Susan Wolf, JD ‘96.
SUFFOLK LAW REUNION
IT WAS A TIME TO CELEBRATE!
JUNE 11–13, 2004

From the Class of 1999—who were a little shocked to realize that five years had passed—to the Half Century Club celebrating all alumni who graduated prior to 1954, reunion brought plenty of fun and friendship. Chairman Nicholas Macaronis, JD ’54, LLD ’00 (Hon.), welcomed the guests and shared fond memories of his 50th class reunion with President David Sargent, JD ’54, LLD ’78 (Hon.). During the two and a half days of events, returning alumni took part in activities throughout the city of Boston including visits to the Museum of Fine Arts and Federal Courthouse. For more reunion photos go to www.law.suffolk.edu/offices/alumni/news.
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Suffolk Law Reunion 2005
If your class year ends in 0 or 5, get ready to celebrate your reunion on June 3-5, 2005.

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Join your class reunion committee. No prior experience needed. Contact Diane Frankel Schoenfeld, director of alumni relations at diane.schoenfeld@suffolk.edu, tel 617.305.1904 or fax 617.573.8151.
Alumni Events

Schooner at Sea
A lively group of alumni hit the high seas aboard the schooner *Fame of Salem*, a replica of the successful privateer from the War of 1812.

(Left) Crew members raise the sails to embark on the two-hour journey.

Alumni Luncheon Series
The 2003 alumni luncheon series concluded with a talk by *Boston Globe* columnist Joan Vennochi, JD '84 and Merita Hopkins, JD '79, chief of staff to Boston Mayor Thomas Menino.

THE SUFFOLK LAW SCHOOL ONLINE
COMMUNITY BELONGS TO YOU!

Register for the online community and you will be able to enjoy the benefit of easy communication with your friends and the Law School. Many of our alumni event invitations are distributed exclusively by email, and we don't want you to be left out.

Don't wait another minute. You might want to post some news about an event in your life, find a classmate, create a "yellow pages" ad for your new law firm or browse our career services.

Please register and update your email address with the online community

www.alumniconnections.com/olc/pub/SUF

We look forward to hearing from you!
Pre-Bar Study Break
On July 13, the Law School invited the day and evening students of the Class of '04 to gather for refreshments in a special study break on the last day of the bar review course as a way of wishing students success with the exam.

Suffolk Law Alumni Association Board Of Directors

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Upcoming Alumni Association Board of Director's Meetings

Meetings are held on the fourth floor of Suffolk Law School and are open to all alumni.

November 20, 2004
March 5, 2005
June 4, 2005

Meetings begin at 10am.
MEMORY LANE IS A PLEASANT PATH for Sid Rosenthal, particularly when he reflects on attending Suffolk University Law School nearly 50 years ago.

"I'll always remember the school as a terrific place where the people were patient and cooperative," says Rosenthal, who resides in Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts, and West Palm Beach, Florida. "Back then, the professors worked during the day as professional lawyers and took a practical approach to everything. Suffolk taught me how to think and how important it was to read, understand all the details and not assume anything. The education I received from Suffolk Law has had a tremendous impact on my career."

In 1951, Rosenthal founded Meredith Management Corporation, where he has been involved in the development, financing, construction and management of residential and commercial properties in Massachusetts, Florida and Texas. The company initially developed and managed multi-family residential projects, including the first mixed-income affordable housing complex financed by MassHousing. Since its founding, Meredith Management has developed, owned or managed more than 3,000 apartments, 5,000 condominiums and more than 5 million square feet of commercial space. Rosenthal's youngest son, John, is now president of the family business.

Rosenthal's success as a businessman came the old-fashioned way—through hard work, dedication and passion. He continually sets goals for himself and maintains a reputation for humility and honesty. He says: "If you tell the truth, you can always remember what you said."

Two of Rosenthal's classmates were the late Massachusetts Congressman John Joseph Moakley, JD '56, DPA '77 (Hon.) and Jeanne Hession, JD '56, DJS '74 (Hon.), the first woman class president of Suffolk Law and the university's first woman trustee. "Joe was a caring and giving human being and one of my good friends," says Rosenthal. "Jean was probably the brightest person in the class. Her thought process was incredible, and she would help anybody."

So would he. In 1986, he established the Sidney J. Rosenthal Scholarship, which provides financial assistance annually to deserving students at Suffolk Law School.

"Sid Rosenthal is a model of an alumnus giving back to the school," says Dean Robert H. Smith. "He's motivated by the desire to help others and to make a positive impact in their lives. Through his scholarship, he has assisted many students over the years who otherwise may not have been able to attend law school."

Earlier this year, Rosenthal and his wife, Marilyn, hosted a brunch for Suffolk Law alumni and friends at the President Country Club in West Palm Beach. It was a festive event attended by alumni spanning six decades. "We had graduates from the forties on to the present," says Rosenthal. "We even had one couple whose grandson is starting Suffolk Law School this year. It was fun and a huge success, and I hope we can do it again next year."

by Tony Ferullo
PATRICIA WYNN ALWAYS KNEW SHE WOULD make an impact in the lives of others—she just didn't know how.

"Losing my father to lung cancer when I was very young caused me to focus my goals on becoming a physician," she says. Over the years, however, Wynn decided to follow a different career path, directing her attention to law rather than medicine. “I wanted to improve our society, to make it a better place,” she explains. “I saw the law as a tool to do just that.”

Today, Wynn is deputy chief counsel of the Private Counsel Division of the Massachusetts Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS), the statewide indigent defense organization. She is responsible for private court-appointed counsel programs and policy in the areas of adult criminal defense, children and family law, juvenile delinquency and mental health litigation. Currently, she oversees a staff of 48 people across Massachusetts and utilizes the services of 2,500 private attorneys, many of whom are Suffolk Law alumni, throughout the state.

“We provide legal services to low-income people in civil and criminal cases,” says Wynn, who oversees the largest assigned counsel program in the country. “We’re in more than 90 courts statewide every day, and we handle about 250,000 cases each year.”

Prior to joining CPCS in 1995, Wynn was in private practice specializing in criminal defense and bankruptcy. She previously served as chief counsel to the Massachusetts House Committee on Ways and Means, assistant district attorney in Plymouth County, and staff attorney with the Solicitor’s Office of the US Department of Labor.

Wynn, who was born and raised in Boston, has fond memories of her days at Suffolk Law, where she graduated cum laude. “I remember my Suffolk Law education as being well balanced,” recalls Wynn, who received her undergraduate degree from Princeton University in 1978 and her MBA from Boston University in 2003. “The program ensures that you’re exposed to all the major practice areas and prepared me well.”

During the past 10 years, Wynn has been actively involved in the Massachusetts Bar Association, where she is currently a member of the Joint Bar Committee on Judicial Appointments. She is a Life Fellow of the Massachusetts Bar Foundation and a former member of the board of directors of Massachusetts Correctional Legal Services and CPCS.

Wynn has also provided pro bono legal services in the area of domestic violence and has served on the board of directors of the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority and Community Servings in Roxbury, a human service agency that provides free hot meals to homebound persons who are HIV positive.

After 20 years in public service, Wynn, who considers what she does for a living “an honor and a privilege,” continues to be motivated to help others. “We have the responsibility of upholding the Constitution for the benefit of the less fortunate in society,” she says. “We offer them a little guidance and show them that someone cares.”

by Tony Ferullo
Alan D. Lebowitz, JD '69, deputy assistant secretary for program operations for the Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA), US Department of Labor, made a statement before the US Congressional Committee on Government Reform on July 24, 2003. He presented information about the Federal Employee Retirement System, the Thrift Savings Plan and the Labor Department's activities in this area. Lebowitz has served as deputy assistant secretary since January 1984. As the agency's chief operating officer, his responsibilities include overseeing EBSA's regulatory, enforcement and reporting activities.

1969
Joseph L. Hart, Jr., has been appointed first justice of the Worcester Probate & Family Court.

1971
Warren A. Powers, BSBA '65, was appointed first justice of the Wrentham District Court.

1972
Steven A. Meyer, MBA '70, has joined Posternak, Blankstein & Lund in Boston as a partner in the tax and estate planning department.

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Robert S. Heppe, Jr., has been named senior vice president and director of trust services at Flagship Bank in Worcester.

Phil Waystack has become a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He is a partner in the firm of Waystack & King of Colebrook and Berlin, NH.

1974
Vincent R. Malgeri, BA '70, has married Cindy Gibelley. They are living in Newburyport.
**NEWSMAKER**

**Merita A. Hopkins, JD ’79,** the city of Boston’s corporation counsel since 1995, has been named Mayor Thomas A. Menino’s chief of staff. Among a multitude of diverse responsibilities in this cabinet position, Hopkins will oversee the city’s day-to-day operations, providing critical advice to Menino and senior staff.

Previously Hopkins was a special agent with the FBI, a prosecutor with the Middlesex District Attorney’s Office and in private practice.

Hopkins received the Outstanding Alumna Achievement Award from Suffolk University Law School in 1987 and the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce’s Pinnacle Award in 2001 for her achievement in management and government.

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**Richard E. Slowe,** an investigative attorney with R.E. Slowe, and Associates, Inc. has closed his business in order to serve as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Republic of South Africa for two years.

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**Richard D. Fox,** president of CDM, received the John I. Parcel-Leif J. Sverdrup Civil Engineering Management Award from the American Society of Civil Engineers for outstanding engineering management leadership, exemplary character and professional integrity.

**Joan Koffman** has married Nancy Dreyer. They are partners in a law firm in Newton.

**Philip D. Murphy** has become associated with the law office of Brenda A. Fluker of Dorchester.

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**Richard O’Connor** sends word that after retiring as a drafting attorney with the Connecticut General Assembly, he spent two years in Tajikistan as a volunteer rule-of-law specialist working with Parliament, lawyers and law students as part of a USAID-funded project with the American Bar Association/ Central European and Eurasian Law Initiative (ABA/CEELI). He is currently in Bratislava, Slovakia, where he teaches English.

**Laurence J. Packenham** was appointed senior vice president/commercial real estate team leader of North Shore Bank.

**Thomas R. Shane** and **Elizabeth Ziembas** were named to the board of directors of SHARED, a non-profit organization based in Brookline. During the past two years, Shane, Ziembas and others have implemented successful projects in Armenia and other parts of the world, increasing the availability of medicines to the poorest people.

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Laureen D’Ambra, JD ’80, BS ’77, was appointed to serve as an associate justice of the Rhode Island Family Court in May.

Since 1989, D’Ambra had served as the gubernatorially appointed child advocate for Rhode Island and was responsible for protecting the legal, civil and special rights of children in the care of the state’s Department of Children, Youth and Families. Her office was recognized as a model ombudsman office by the ABA Center on Children and the Law.

Valerie Clardi has retired from Morrison Mahoney in Boston after 22 years with the firm. She was a real estate partner for 14 years.

Anthony Cerreto has married Donna M. Quinn. They are living in Toms River, NJ.

Chris Flynn, president of the Massachusetts Food Association, received the Helping Hands Award from the New England Food Foundation.

Robert H. Kelley, in-house real estate counsel for Staples, Inc., was named co-chair of the Real Estate Section of the Boston Bar Association.

Thomas F. Mixon, BS ’79, a Billerica attorney, has married Patricia A. Everton. They are living in North Andover.

Amy L. Nechtem was appointed an associate justice in the Essex County Juvenile Court.

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Paula Becker, an attorney and vice president of Filt-Tech Inc., has been elected to the board of directors of South Shore Hospital in Weymouth.

Edward F. Cahill was named a financial adviser with Eagle Strategies Corp., an investment subsidiary of New York Life Insurance Co.

Marty Meehan, MPA ’81, JD ’86, LLD ’97 (Hon.), US Congressman for Massachusetts’ fifth district, received the Federal Legislator of the Year award from the Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys.

John H. O’Neil, Jr., an attorney with Smith Elliott Smith & Garmey, was reappointed to the Maine Supreme Judicial Court’s Advisory Committee on Rules of Evidence.

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Thomas Hilkreth, a director in the New Hampshire law firm of McLane, Graf, Raulerson & Middleton, was appointed to the board of trustees of the Beaver Brook Association.

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Carol Ann Starkey, a trial attorney at Conn Kavanaugh Rosenthal Pesch & Ford, has been elected to the governing Council of the Boston Bar Association (BBA). She practices in the areas of business and employment litigation, regulatory law and white-collar criminal defense, and is the co-chair of the Criminal Law Section of the BBA and a Criminal Ju-stice Section of the BBA and a criminal defense, and is the co-chair of the litigation, regulatory law and white-collar in the areas of business and employment Boston Bar Association (BBA). She practices been elected to the governing Council of the

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Jane Leary Lavesque, a professor of paralegal studies and criminal justice at North Shore Community College, received the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Award for Teaching and Leadership Excellence.

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Harold O. Beede has joined the law firm of Healey, Desbaies & Gagliardi as an associate.

Lisa M. Cukier, an associate at Burns & Levinson LLP, was elected president of the Massachusetts Family and Probate Inn of Court.

Timothy J. Daly, an attorney with Daly, Cavanaugh & Flynn in Wellesley, has married Wendy A. Slade. They are living in Wellesley.

Philip J. McGovern was named an associate in the litigation department of the Worcester office of Mirick, O'Connell, DeMallie & Lougee LLP.

Gary J. Merken is a senior attorney with the Office of Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service, Large and Mid-size Business Division in Philadelphia. He can be reached at gary.merken@verizon.net.

Col. Thomas Robbins was appointed superintendent of the Massachusetts State Police.

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Shawn P. O'Rourke has been elected president and managing shareholder of Barron & Stadfeld P.C. in Boston.
Camille F. Sarrouf, a partner in the Boston law firm of Sarrouf, Tarincone & Fleming was elected to the board of directors and governors of ALSAC/St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital in Memphis, TN.

Jane Sullivan has opened Good Manors Realty Inc. in Attleboro with her law partner Elaine DeMeo.

Tom Tallmadge, vice president and counsel for SunTrust Bank of Atlanta, GA, has married Samia Gonzalez-Caballero in Jalapa, Veracruz, Mexico. They are living in Atlanta, GA.

Jean Terranova, after ten years as a criminal defense attorney, completed the Professional Chefs' Program at the Cambridge School of Culinary Arts. She recently launched Artisan Fare Inc. Personal Chef Service—an at-home cooking service for busy professionals. For further information, visit www.artisanfare.com.

William P. Wiggins, associate professor and chair of the financial planning and taxation department at Bentley College, was named associate dean of business for the college.

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Lynn D. Brennan has married Patrick M. Haggan, ’94. They are assistant district attorneys with the Suffolk County District Attorney’s Office in Boston.

Gerard J. Horgan, Jr., JD/MBA, was named superintendent of the Suffolk County House of Correction.

Paul Sorkin has joined the law firm of Kudirka & Jobse, LLP, in Boston where he specializes in intellectual property law.

John J. Spillane has married Kristina M. Lynch. They are living in Boston.

Robert Stephen, a director of client services with ADP Total Source at Northeast Division, has married Joleen St. Orge. They are living in Manchester, NH.

Mark Wilson was named associate athletics director for administration and finance at Northeastern University.

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Donald S. Gosselin, a Boston Police detective, participated in the State Department’s Fulbright Scholar Program. He spent nine weeks in Panama working with officials to help stem a wave of youth crime in the country.

Patrick M. Haggan (see Brennan, ’93). Christine O’Connor was named Lowell city solicitor.

Kevin C. Reidy, a partner in the law firm of Martin, Magnuson, McCarthy & Kenney in Boston, has married Jennifer K. Rosen. They are living in South Boston.

Sylvester L. Salcedo has opened a law office in Bridgeport, CT.

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danielle D. Aalbers was named a partner in the firm of Donovan & O’Connor, LLP.

Joseph J. Barberia, JD/MBA, has married Lori E. Campopiano. They are living in Charlestown.

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Bill Hogan, JD ’81, a Suffolk University trustee, was recognized by Lawyers Weekly USA for assuming the chairmanship of the American Bar Association’s General Practice, Solo and Small Firm Section, in August 2003. Hogan’s initiatives for the 24,000-member section, which he calls “the home of the ‘Main Street lawyer,’” have focused on outreach and education. He has organized a steering committee “to implement a detailed five-year plan aimed at better communication and providing members with the most relevant information and resources possible.” In 1990, he founded the Boston firm of Hogan, Roche & Malone, where he has a commercial litigation and general corporate practice.

Alyssa Duffy, an attorney for Fidelity Investments of Boston, has married Stephen Forasté. They live in Charlestown.

Gary S. Engelston was named counsel at Lowrie, Lando & Anastasi, LLP, in Boston.

Lawrence P. Ferazani, Jr., is an assistant US attorney in the US Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of New York. Previously he served for five years as an FBI agent investigating organized criminal enterprises’ infiltration of the securities and commodities markets. He lives in New York City with his wife Christine and their daughters, Molly and Caroline, and may be contacted by email at lawrence.ferazani@usdoj.gov.

Michael Krauthamer has been appointed senior faculty administrator of the Center for Labor-Management Relations and Dispute Resolution at Dowling College in New York.

Joseph P. Sullivan, an attorney with a general practice in Newburyport, has married Amy E. Cashman. They live in Haverhill.

Kyle J. Sullivan has married Suzanne Suppa.

Dean G. Ziose became a member of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C., where he practices in the business and finance section of the firm’s Boston office.
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Barbara-Ann Boehler, BA '93, received an LLM in taxation from Boston University School of Law.

Hank Brennan and Bryan E. Chase are pleased to announce the formation of the law firm of Brennan & Chase, LLP, with offices in Boston and North Andover.

Melanie J. Brockway has joined LaTanzi, Spaulding & Landreth, P.C., of Orleans as an associate.

Barbara-Ann Boehler, BA '93, received an LLM in taxation from Boston University School of Law.

John M. Ferguson, Jr., is the general manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs hockey team.

Lisa Kaprielian, a litigation attorney at Boyle, Morrissey & Campo, P.C., in Boston, has married Ari Kouchakdjian.

Abu Toppin, and Leah Constantine, '99, were married on June 27, in the Arnold Arboretum in Boston.

Lisa Winsor was named an associate at Lowrie, Land & Anastasi, LLP, in Boston.

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John Corrigan was sworn in as special assistant attorney general for the Rhode Island Department of Attorney General, Criminal Division.

Aaron D. Snipe is a junior officer in the US Foreign Service serving his first tour of duty in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Christine M. Zicaro has joined the Real Estate Department of Fusaro, Altmare & Emmilio in Worcester. Previously she owned her own firm in Worcester where she specialized in real estate conveyancing.

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Donna Domagala married Jason Scally, '99, in Newport, RI.

Steven M. Jensen has married Kari M. Homey. They are living in Brookline.

Stanley A. Kim has joined the West Palm Beach, FL, office of Ruden McClosky Smith Schuster & Russell as a partner specializing in intellectual property.

Brian Kinsley, a civil litigator specializing in mass torts at Ashcraft & Gerel, LLP, has relocated to Silver Spring, MD, with his wife, Melissa, and daughter Bridget.

NEWSMAKER

Marcine Anderson, JD '84, a Seattle attorney, has been elected to the Board of Governors of the Washington State Bar Association (WSBA). Anderson, the first Asian-American to serve in the WSBA's 115-year history, was sworn in for a three-year term as an at-large governor in September. For the past nine years, she has been a King County senior deputy prosecuting attorney, drafting ordinances, litigating and providing legal advice and assistance to King County departments on technology issues.
Michael D. MacClary has joined Burns & Levinson LLP, as an associate in the Real Estate Group.

Patrick O. McAleer has joined the firm of Looney & Grossman LLP, in the Admiralty and Transportation Law Group.

Matthew J. McDonough was named an associate in the law offices of Sherwood Guernsey PC.

Jill F. Narceau, a senior legal product manager with Fidelity Investments in Boston, has married Daniel P. Robert.

Michael Ruane was appointed an Essex County Superior Court assistant district attorney.

Christopher Scott has been named an associate at Bulkley, Richardson & Gelinas, LLP.

Paul Toner is president of the Cambridge Teachers Association.

Nathanael Wright, and wife Stephanie (Babcock), MSJ '01, welcomed their son, Samuel Nathanael Wright, born on April 15. Wright also received a master's degree in public affairs from the University of Massachusetts, Boston in June.

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Timothy Angley has moved to Skokie, IL, with his wife, Tina. They are expecting their first child. He is looking for a position in the Chicago area.

Daniel P. Barry, vice president and assistant general counsel of Baring Asset Management, Inc., has been named co-chair of the Boston Bar Association's Investment Companies & Advisers Committee.

Leah Constantine (see Toppin, '96)

Vincent N. Cragin has married Christopher M. Demakis. They live in Mattapoisett.

Francine Gardikas has joined Burns & Levinson LLP, as an associate in the divorce and family law group.

Paul Healy married Patricia A. Leen. They are living in Shrewsbury.

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Michael A. Bean, an attorney with Perkins, Smith and Cohen, LLC, has married Andrea L. Marvin. They live in Hingham.
Nancie L. Edgren has joined the litigation department of Barron & Stadfeld, P.C., in Boston.

Patrick K. Faherty is an associate at the law office of Gerard S. McAuliffe in Quincy. He and his wife, Jacqueline, are living in Abington with their two children, Kyle, 2, and Nolan, 10 months.

Amanda Hughes, a human resources manager at the law firm of Garr, McClellan in Burlington, has married Ryan Hirt. They are living in Sun Mateo, CA.

Jon Michalek has married Mindy Macey. They live in Chelmsford.

Marianne F. Monte was recently hired to direct human resources at Bank Rhode Island.

David Robinson has married Rebecca Short. He is an attorney at Harter, Secrest and Emery in Rochester, NY, where the couple also lives.

Lori V. Russell, an attorney with PFPC Inc. in Boston, has married Greg O'Shaughnessy. They are living in Brookline.

Edward Russavage, an attorney with Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky & Popeo P.C., in Boston, has married Ryan Hirt. They are living in West Roxbury.

Linda Champion, BS '96, has become associated with McKenzie & Associates, P.C., in Boston, focusing on commercial real estate, business and financing transactions.

Lisa DiRocco, a patent attorney with Lahive and Cockfield, LLP, has married Dustin Tynan. They live in Brookline.

James Hoye has joined Thomas F. Williams & Associates, P.C., in Quincy.

Leticia M. McNames has married Relleca Short, an attorney with PFPC Inc. in Boston, has married Dennis Peters. They are living in West Roxbury.

Kelly Orlando was named assistant vice president/assistant branch coordinator of sales and service at Jeanne D'Arc Credit Union of Lowell.

Edward Russavage was appointed an associate at Lowrie, Lando & Anastasi, LLP, in Boston.

Kathleen M. McCormick has joined McCormick, Marturgh, Marcus & Almogren as an associate.

Yvette Y. Robinson was one of several attorneys who were selected to share her Law School experiences in the student guide Law School Confidential: A Complete Guide to the Law School Experience by Students, for Students.

Edward Russavage was named an associate at Lowrie, Lando & Anastasi, LLP, in Boston.

An associate of Bums & Bums, P.C., in New York City, has married Alfonso Gormley, an attorney with Taub and Marder, PC, in New York City.

Garrett O'Keefe, an associate at Kenny, O'Keefe & Usseglio, P.C., in Hartford, CT, has married Kristin Johnson. They are living in West Hartford, CT.

John Okray, JD/MBA, was named vice president, head of trust operations at Lehman Brothers in New York City. He also received an LLM in taxation from Boston University Law School in May.

Sarah Pupis has become associated with Donovan Hatem LLP, in Boston.

Sarah E. Roland was promoted to associate at Thompson, O'Donnell, Markham, Norton & Hannan in Washington, DC. She received an LLM in international and comparative law from Georgetown University Law School in May.

Luther D. White III is the owner of the Lighthouse Ford dealership in Falmouth.

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Renee Caggiano, an attorney at Nuzzo & Roberts LLC, in Cheshire, CT, has married David Berman. They live in Hamden, CT.

Matthew D. Borrelli, a partner in the law firm of Borrelli & Hamil in Newton, has married Alison S. Friedman. They live in Needham.

Justin L. Cole has married Carol Ann Rysz. They live in Rhinecliff, NY.

Joshua Cooper has married Shana Berkowitz. They live in Chelmsford.

Christopher Curran has joined Berkery, Noyes & Co. as managing director.

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Diane A. DiLeo was named an associate in the business litigation group of Burns & Levinson LLP, in Boston.

Sarah Fisher has joined the Foxboro law firm of Stump & Associates.

Andrew Hamil, a partner in the law firm of Borrelli & Hamil in Newton, has married Julie Patalano. They live in Brookline.

Saré D. Jacques, a senior reimbursement account manager at Genzyme Corp. in Cambridge, has married Brendan W. Largay. They are living in West Roxbury.

John B. Moretta has married Kelley E. Struck. They live in Cranston, RI.

Julie Patalano (see Hamil, ’03).
Stephanie A. Petty has opened a law office in Milton focusing on real estate transactions, estate planning, family law, and probate and estate administration.

R. Thomas Rankin, MED '92, has joined the firm of Goodell & Goodell of Jamestown, NY, as an associate.

Stephen Silveri has opened a law office in Dedham.

Jennifer Sacco Smith has joined the firm of Allen Matkins Leek Gamble & Mallory LLP, in Los Angeles, CA, as an associate.

Emily J. Swiatocha, an attorney with the law firm of Sullivan & Worcester in Boston, has married Dr. Bryan M. Kasperowski. They are living in Boston.

Timothy Wilkerson has married Kimberley Bastian. They live in East Cambridge.

Ania Zielinski has married Richard Hopkins. They live in Newport, RI.

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Gleason Archer, Jr., LLB '39

Gleason Archer, Jr., son of Suffolk University's founder, died on April 27. He was 87.

Archer had been a professor of Old Testament and Semitics at Trinity International University in Deerfield, Illinois, where he trained leaders for the evangelical church. He also was a professor and acting dean at Fuller Theological Seminary of Pasadena, California, and a visiting professor at Tyndale Theological Seminary in the Netherlands. He was a scholar and researcher who is said to have spoken as many as 30 languages. Archer was the author of several books, including Encyclopedia of Biblical Difficulties and Survey of Old Testament Literature.

He leaves five children: Gleason III, Jonathan, Heather, Laurel and Elizabeth.

A. Peter Leary, JD '91

A. Peter Leary, a partner with Boyle, Morrissey & Campo, died of brain cancer on September 13. He was 41.

Born in Boston, Leary graduated from UMass in 1986 and received his JD in 1991. He was an assistant district attorney in Plymouth County from 1991 to 1994, before joining Boyle, Morrissey & Campo, where he specialized in insurance law.

According to the Boston Globe, Leary's partner, Anthony M. Campo, said of Leary, "He captivated a jury as well as anybody I've ever seen. He would have them laughing when he could and crying when it was appropriate...He was a great talent with a great personality."

Leary leaves his wife Keri (Griffin), and three children, Juliet, Jessica and Leo of Needham; his mother, Ursula C. Leary of Newton; two sisters, Alison Mooradian of Newton and Jocelyn A. Leary of Watertown; and two brothers, Anthony T. of Needham and Nicholas F. of Santa Monica, California.
Robert E. Holland, JD '73

Robert E. Holland of Boston, a distinguished labor lawyer and founding partner of Deutsch Williams Brooks DeRensis & Holland, died on August 9 of melanoma. He was 57.

Upon his death, the Boston Globe reported that Holland negotiated more than 350 contracts for public sector clients in his 30-year career. "Bob became one of the best labor lawyers in town," former Governor Michael S. Dukakis said, and Mayor Thomas M. Menino, who engaged Holland's services throughout his administration, described him as "the ultimate professional."

Holland grew up in West Roxbury and graduated from Boston Latin School, where he played football. He received his undergraduate degree in finance from Boston College in 1968.

Upon graduating from the Law School, he began his labor law career as assistant director of labor relations for the city of Boston. The next year, he was promoted to director. In 1977, Holland left city government to go into private practice with his childhood friend, the late Kirk O'Donnell. He became a founding partner of Deutsch Williams in 1986.

Holland received the prestigious Cushing-Gavin Award from The Labor Guild of the Archdiocese of Boston for his contributions to labor-management relations in 1999.

Holland coached youth football and basketball, was a founding member of the Parkway Boys and Girls Club, and did pro bono legal work for the Boston Latin School Alumni Association throughout his career. He was an avid Red Sox fan.

Holland leaves his wife Vivien Li; two daughters, Caroline and Andrea; four brothers, William "Bo" of West Roxbury, James P. of Quincy, Edward J. of Hyde Park, and Joseph M. of Weymouth; three sisters, Patricia Tonra of Dedham, Mary M. of Hull and Kathryn A. of West Roxbury.

Valerie Joan Anderson, JD '95

Valerie Joan Anderson, vice president and senior counsel at Merrill Lynch in New York City, died on March 8 of a brain tumor. She was 39.

A graduate of Needham High School, Anderson received a degree in dance and music from Mount Holyoke College in 1986. She performed with Beth Soll & Company for five years and served as adjunct faculty member and artist-in-residence at MIT, where she taught dance to undergraduates.

Anderson was a consultant for the Boston Ballet Company, auditioning inner-city children for the Citydance Program. Since 1996, she was a member of the Blue Hill Troupe in New York City, a non-profit amateur theatrical group that specializes in the works of Gilbert and Sullivan, where she participated as a performer, assistant choreographer, crew member and board member. Anderson was a member of the Massachusetts and New York bar associations.

Anderson leaves her sister Nancy K. Anderson of New York City; her brother Scott M. and his wife Yolanda, of Downey, California; her mother Judith Murdock Anderson; her father Arthur W. and his wife Patricia of Hull; her grandmother Annis C. Murdock of Draper, Utah; and her partner Matt Levine of New York City.

Melissa F. Weber, JD '97

Melissa F. Weber of Rumford, Rhode Island, an attorney and civil rights advocate, died on April 26. She was 52.

Weber had been in private practice for three years in East Providence and had previously worked as a cardiac technologist. She was a pioneer in educational civil rights, providing legal representation and advocacy on behalf of children with disabilities. She was founding president and parent coordinator of Children with Attention Deficit Disorder, Mid-Hudson Valley Chapter; and a founding member of the Coalition for Educational Advocacy.

Weber received her undergraduate degrees in psychology and biology from the University of Pittsburgh in 1981.

She is survived by her husband William D. Weber; her father Arthur Ohl of Wallingford; her son Samuel M. and daughter Dorsey M., both of Rumford; and a sister, Elizabeth Rhoades of Stafford Springs, CT.
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As we look ahead to our 100th anniversary in 2006, we are reminded of our historic and ongoing mission to provide excellent education and training for a diverse student body. With your continued support, we look forward to a second century of academic excellence and service to our community.

On behalf of the faculty, administration and students of Suffolk University Law School, I thank you for your meaningful partnership and commitment to our future.

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Endowing the Pursuit of Intellectual Property

Stanley Sokoloff, JD '66

As a young boy, Stanley Sokoloff liked nothing better than the challenge of repairing a broken household appliance. His patience, logical step-by-step approach and fascination with technology were early precursors to a career dedicated to innovation and imagination. Sokoloff's boyhood interest in products and concepts eventually led him to Suffolk University Law School’s evening division.

Today, Sokoloff is of counsel at Blakely, Sokoloff, Taylor & Zafman, the West Coast-based intellectual property firm he co-founded in 1975. He specializes in trademark, unfair competition law and technology licensing but has also worked with the estate of rapper Tupac Shakur, Wayne Gretzky and 20th Century Fox.

According to Sokoloff, the partners of Blakely, Sokoloff, Taylor & Zafman founded their firm at the perfect time. "The computer, semiconductor and microprocessors industries were advancing at a rapid pace, and our firm was very fortunate to represent innovative clients such as Intel, Apple Computer, Sterling Software and Sun Microsystems in their early years," says Sokoloff. The firm now has six offices in California, Oregon, Washington and Colorado and remains one of the few firms in the country specializing in high technology intellectual property law.

Sokoloff, who received Suffolk Law’s Alumni Achievement Award in April, credits Suffolk Law as the catalyst that made possible his career as an intellectual property attorney. "The education I received at Suffolk Law School was particularly important to me, as it allowed me to take advantage of my technical education and create a new and satisfying career as an intellectual property attorney," says Sokoloff. He names President David Sargent, JD ’54, LLD ’78 (Hon.), John F. X. O’Brien, Clifford Elias, LL.D ’99 (Hon.), and John E. Fenton, Jr. as memorable mentors.

While at Suffolk, Sokoloff earned a coveted graduate fellowship from the Law School, which allowed him to further his legal education in intellectual property at the Georgetown University Law Center. It was a gift he never forgot. To thank Suffolk Law, and in an effort to secure similar opportunities for future intellectual property practitioners, Sokoloff endowed The Sokoloff Intellectual Property Award last year.

"Stan Sokoloff is one of those alumni who make the job of dean so enjoyable and rewarding," says Dean Robert H. Smith. "I have met with Stan, and also with his wife Susan, many times in Los Angeles. After each visit, I come away with a new respect for his leadership in the intellectual property legal community and for his support for the rigorous academic preparation we provide at the Law School."

"The Sokoloff Intellectual Property Award is a gift which is also a partnership," says Smith. "Through our conversations, we found the match between Stan's professional interests and his philanthropic intentions. Stan's gift acknowledges his gratitude for his original 1966 fellowship to study intellectual property, and it also links him to our current and future students specializing in that area of legal practice."

"Stan's creation of this award is a testimonial to his deep affection for our Law School and his belief that intellectual property is an area of practice in which we have become a center of excellence," says Professor Andrew Beckerman-Rodau, co-director of Suffolk Law School’s Intellectual Property Concentration.

"This award will help Suffolk continue to recruit and retain leading intellectual property students in the nation," adds Michael L. Rustad, JD ’84, the Thomas F. Lambert, Jr. Professor of Law and co-director of the Intellectual Property Law Concentration. "Stan is one of the leading trademark lawyers in the country, and it is inspiring to our students to know he has established a living legacy that will ensure the continued success of our program."

Sokoloff, who especially enjoys working with and training junior attorneys, advises today's graduates to "select positions with firms or organizations that have a culture, work ethic and environment consistent with their expectations and lifestyle in a field that excites them." That is wise counsel from one who has so successfully blended his lifelong interests and professional career.
A CENTURY OF OPPORTUNITY 1906–2006

From its inception, Suffolk University Law School was a school of opportunity. Gleason Archer's vision encompassed women who were educated, inspired and committed to achieving their professional and personal goals.

In 1933, Marian Archer MacDonald, LLB '37, became the first woman to attend Suffolk Law School and was the first woman to graduate four years later. She and her husband, Paul McDonald, LLB '37, also were the first married couple to graduate from Suffolk Law, where they met while students. MacDonald, the daughter of Gleason Archer, paved the way for other women to follow in her footsteps. Although Marian never practiced law, her daughter Faith Clark believes “she was a lawyer through and through.”

Jeanne M. Hession, JD '56, DIS '74 (Hon.), became the first woman class president of Suffolk Law School in 1955. In addition to enjoying a successful 35-year career as a legal officer with Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company, Hession co-founded the charitable organization The Foundation of Hope with Harriet Gold, LLM '55. In 1973, Hession was named the first woman trustee in the history of Suffolk University.

Catherine T. Judge, JD '57, LLM '60, was the only woman to graduate with the Class of 1957; at the time, women comprised only four percent of the student body. After serving as law registrar for a decade, Judge began teaching part-time in the early 1960s. She made history in 1966 when she was hired as the Law School's first woman professor. “The fact is, I was qualified,” says Judge, who was awarded tenure in 1970 and continues to teach at her alma mater.