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JUSTICE SCALIA'S VISIT

JONATHAN STUBBS AND OLIVER HILL

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RICHMOND LAW'S OLDEST GRADUATE



# Justice Antonin Scalia visits Richmond Law

he U.S. Supreme Court's leading conservative intellectual, Justice Antonin Scalia, addressed a full house of Richmond Law students and invited guests on Saturday, Feb. 3, in a brief visit during which he presented remarks detailing his judicial philosophy.

Spurning the common moniker of "strict constructionist," Justice Scalia instead thinks of himself as an "originalist" who views the Constitution as a legal document that by its nature cannot change, as proponents of an "organic" Constitution argue. Justice Scalia said his philosophy provides a bedrock from which he can separate his personal feelings about an issue and form a legal opinion. As an originalist, he considers the meaning of the words as the founders understood them in 1789. For amendments, he considers what the people who passed and ratified the amendments understood those amendments to mean.

For those reasons, Justice Scalia believes topics such as abortion and homosexual rights should be left entirely to the political process, since the Constitution is silent on those matters. He specifically referenced two cases: *Texas v. Johnson*, the flag-burning case of 1989, and *Romer v. Evans*, which overturned Colorado's Amendment 2 prohibiting any government entity from providing specific protections to homosexuals.

In *Texas v. Johnson*, Justice Scalia voted with the 5-4 majority to overturn the prohibition against flag burning, although he personally detested the act. "I came to the conclusion that this sort of activity was probably something the founding fathers had in mind when they protected free speech," he said.

After speaking for nearly an hour, Justice Scalia took questions from the audience. The questions ranged from how civil rights might be affected by his philosophy — he claimed that *Brown v. Board of Education* probably would have come out the same way under originalist thinking — to how to deal with constitutional amendments. Among the audience were law students, state and federal judges, a majority of the Virginia Supreme Court, law school faculty and distinguished alumni.

Justice Scalia was in Richmond to attend a dinner at the Library of Virginia celebrating the 200th anniversary of John Marshall's swearing-in as chief justice.

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#### FOR THE RECORD

## Legal job market is strong

The job market for lawyers is strong, according to Beverly D. Boone, director of career services for the University of Richmond School of Law.

"Salaries at the largest law firms have increased 20 to 25 percent in the last year," Boone says. "From a law student's perspective, the job market could not be better."

For the fifth consecutive year, the number of employers conducting on-campus interviews at the law school increased during the fall semester. In addition, more students interviewed with out-of-state employers than ever before. Many students had more call-back interviews than they could take.

"Students were comparing offers by dividing the number of billable hours by the annual salary offered, in addition to looking at the training and mentoring opportunities provided by the employer," says Boone.

For an employer looking for the best and brightest student, times are interesting, Boone says. Competition among the largest firms is driving salaries up, and the existing gap between big-firm and small-firm salaries has grown even larger. Boone notes that smaller firms, government agencies and nonprofit organizations are having a hard time recruiting students.

Students do look at the bottom line, she says, but the career services office also encourages them to look at other factors when deciding where to apply and which offers to accept.

"We tell students to explore how the employer trains new lawyers, whether the employer will compensate them for generating new business, and whether opportunities are available to explore practice areas in which the employer is not already involved," Boone says. "We also tell them to look at retirement plans, CLE opportunities above the mandatory requirements, and bar association membership and leadership opportunities."

The career services office also explains to students that the highest paying jobs are the exception rather than the rule. For example, the National Association for Law Placement reported that large firms (250 attorneys or more) represented less than 25 percent of the jobs taken by the Class of 1999 in *Jobs & J.D.'s: Employment and Salaries of New Law Graduates Class of 1999*.

## Additional clerkships

Since publication of the Fall 2000 issue of *Richmond Law*, six more members of the Class of 2000 have notified the law school that they are serving clerkships this year. The total for the latest class stands at 30, the highest number of clerkships any Richmond Law class has ever had. Tied for second highest with 27 are the Class of 1990 and the Class of 1993.

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# Recent student accomplishments

Ramona Leigh Jester Taylor, L'oo, had her article "Tearing Down the Great Wall: China's Accession to the WTO" published in *IDEA: the Journal of Law and Technology*. In addition, Taylor has been named development coordinator for a new documentary on the life of civil rights attorney and Presidential Medal of Freedom recipient Oliver W. Hill Sr., H'94.

George Salmoiraghi, L'oo, co-authored an article about cyber-terrorism, "Bad Guys and Good Stuff: When and Where Will the Cyber Threats Converge?" Published in the DePaul Business Law Journal, the article appears as part of a symposium on terrorism and business. Salmoiraghi's co-authors were the deputy director of the global organized crime project at the Center for Strategic Studies, and a former senior consultant to the President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection.

Melinda Lucas, L'oı, won the American Bar Association Schwab Family Law Essay Contest, a competition open to all second- and third-year law students. Her paper will appear in the *Family Law Quarterly*.

James Scott Efird and C. Harris Dague, both L'o2, placed second at the ABA Regional Negotiation Competition and were invited to compete in the national finals held in San Diego.

**Correction:** The Fall 2000 issue of *Richmond Law* incorrectly listed Julia M. Hutt, L'01, as a finalist with Flora L. Townes, L'01, in announcing that the pair had advanced to the final round of the Regional Client Counseling Competition. Townes' partner was **Gretchen G. Hutt, L'01.** 

#### New employers conducting on-campus interviews 2000 and 2001

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The Bayard Firm (Wilmington, Del.) Boleman Law Firm (Richmond) Bowman and Brooke (Richmond) Dyer Ellis & Joseph (Washington, D.C.) Fisher & Phillips (Atlanta) Heilig, McKenry (Norfolk, Va.) Horner, Sharon (Richmond) Morris and Morris (Richmond) Parker, Pollard (Richmond) Rawls & McNelis (Richmond) Seyfarth, Shaw (Atlanta) Southern Environmental Law Center (Charlottesville, Va.) U.S. Attorney's Office (Las Vegas and Reno, Nev.)

Hogan & Hartson (McLean, Va.)

#### DISCOURSE



2000 Green Award recipient Judge Schlesinger, left, with previous recipients Oliver W. Hill Sr., H'94; Judge Robert R. Merhige Jr., L'42 and H'76; and Chief Justice Harry L. Carrico, H'73.

### Schlesinger receives Green Award

The Hon. Harvey E. Schlesinger, L'65, was named the 2000 recipient of the William Green Award for Professional Excellence. Schlesinger received the award at the 18th annual Scholarship Luncheon, which was held in November.

Judge Schlesinger serves on the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida, having been confirmed in 1991. From 1975 to 1991, he served as a U.S. magistrate judge. From 1970 to 1975, he was the chief assistant U.S. attorney for the same district. Earlier, he was corporate counsel for the Seaboard Coastline Railroad Co. Judge Schlesinger has been very active in legal and judicial education. (See also article, p. 6.)

The Scholarship Luncheon honors individual and corporate donors who have established the more than 70 scholarships at the law school, as well as the student recipients of those scholarships.

**Recognition for Ghada Qaisi in writing competitions** Honored at a reception in November was Ghada Qaisi, L'oo, after winning second prize in the American Judges Association's 12th Annual Writing Competition. Her award consisted of a \$1,250 cash prize, a personal plaque and a plaque given to the law school. The AJA contest was the second in which Qaisi won with her article, "Religious Marriage Contracts: Judicial Enforcement of Mahr Agreements in American Courts." Earlier, she won the American Association of Matrimonial Lawyers Writing Award.



Donald W. Upson

# Technology secretary is keynote speaker

Virginia Secretary of Technology Donald W. Upson was the keynote speaker at a daylong symposium last September titled "E-Business, E-Commerce & the Law: A Symposium Exploring Legal and Regulatory Issues Involving Technology and the Internet." Upson is the country's first state technology secretary. The event was the Ninth Annual Austin Owen Symposium and Lecture, established in honor of the late Hon. Austin E. Owen, L'50, by his daughter and son-in-law, Dr. Judith Owen Hopkins, W'74, and Dr. Marbry B. Hopkins, R'74.

# Lawyer advertising is topic for Allen Chair Symposium

This year's George E. Allen Chair Symposium, scheduled for April 5, will examine the topic of lawyer advertising. Led by Rodney Smolla, holder of the Allen Chair in Law, the symposium will feature a role-playing exercise that will center on a mock disciplinary proceeding, followed by an appellate moot court review of the disciplinary proceeding. Taking part will be visiting scholars, members of the law school faculty and student body, and practitioners and judges.

The George E. Allen Chair was named for the late Virginia trial lawyer who was the first recipient of the American College of Trial Lawyers' Award for Courageous Advocacy, in 1965. The chair was established by Allen's sons, the late George E. Allen Jr., L'36; Ashby B. Allen, R'43; and Wilbur Allen.

# Bringing Current into the Class

## Legal questions in public life become a creative teaching tool

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia spoke with law students and faculty on Feb. 3 about his judicial philosophy and why he felt it was the correct way to interpret the U.S. Constitution. His appearance on campus, in conjunction with his visit to the Library of Virginia for an event honoring former Chief Justice John Marshall, reflects the numerous opportunities students have today to meet and work with active lawyers and jurists, and to participate in exercises in class and in the community that help prepare them for the work they will do.

As legal teams representing Vice President Al Gore and Gov. George W. Bush squared off last November, the courtroom was packed. TV cameras hummed. Nine justices listened intently.

But this day, the legal battle took place on the University of Richmond School of Law campus as a class project that mirrored the landmark hearings in Washington, D.C. Students were staging moot court sessions based on the *Bush v. Gore* litigation, which had riveted the nation's attention.

The course was First Amendment law, taught by Rodney Smolla, Allen Chair Professor of Law and a constitutional law scholar. Among a broad range of topics covered in the course are the political process and the role of the First Amendment in election and campaign reform issues.

"We were operating on the same timetable as the lawyers" in the real case, says Smolla, who pulled the exercise together. "They were experiencing what it is like to be a lawyer under great pressure. We were taking a real case, real events, and instantly making that into an educational experience. Students' passions were running pretty high." Osama J. "Sam" Abed, L'01, one of the participants, said afterward: "It was a once-in-a-lifetime thing. I will always remember that exercise."

In this age of media saturation, instant access to information, and faculty with feet in both academic and "real" worlds, Smolla's class experienced something that is increasingly common at Richmond Law today. Faculty members are employing cases that arise in the community, the nation and even the world to enliven, to teach and to provide useful experiences to students.

Whether it's the O.J. Simpson trial, the Clinton impeachment, the Elian Gonzalez dispute, or debate over tax cut proposals, the faculty is looking for ways to connect the law school experience to real life.

"In my day, this kind of teaching wasn't done," Smolla says. "Law school was much more traditional. Today, law teaching is becoming more creative and innovative. You cannot resist the penetration of outside culture any more, with all the media and the Internet."

"In so many areas like constitutional law, where there's constantly a mix of law, politics and culture, this approach can bring the issues to life," Smolla says. "And it gives students a chance to see real lawyers in action. I try to do something like this regularly. It can be a great educational experience.

BY ROB WALKER



"It would be silly to teach a course on the Constitution while the country is in the midst of a constitutional crisis and you ignore it," he says.

Lori Pound, L'02, says that sometimes bringing current events into class can have practical applications. Studying competing proposals on tax reform in a tax law class "helps us understand

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how what we are doing in the classroom will have an impact on what we're going to do in the real world. We can see how tax laws are written and changed. That should be valuable knowledge to have when we start to work."

Professor Ron Bacigal says any time students can pick up the newspaper or turn on the news and see something they are working on in class, that increases their inter-

est. He recently opened his class in criminal procedure by asking students about prosecutorial discretion: what legal steps they could take if they believed that the special prosecutor should be forced to pursue criminal charges against former President Clinton, rather than drop the charges in return for an apology. Looking back at his own law school experience, Bacigal says he wishes his professors had done the same with the legal struggles taking place in the 1960s. That was the era of the Warren court, the civil rights movement, Vietnam, and landmark cases like *Miranda*. "But professors were not very inclined then to deal with issues of the day.

> Theirs was a more academic approach."

"We teach the established cases, but we don't want to overlook what's going on now," Bacigal says. "Sometimes they're breaking new ground in front of us."

Faculty members warn that not every class can be adapted to each high-profile case that comes along. The traditional approach still applies.

In his first-year constitutional law class, Professor J.P. Jones says the situation was different. While *Bush v. Gore* was "fascinating" and probably worth touching on tangentially, "at that level, we've got a lot of triage to do. There are an awful lot of things I must teach these students. And we need to keep sight of the fact that not many lawyers are likely to see a case like this."

Richard W. Johnson Jr., L'02, who represented Gore in Smolla's class, agrees: "This was a very special situation."

The traditional approach "to introducing laypeople to the different ways in which lawyers think and deal with the incredible pressure of knowing huge volumes of material is invaluable," says Johnson.

Though he may not always bring public issues into the classroom, Jones says he insists on bringing them "into my school. We are encouraged as faculty to involve students in the kinds of professional activities they are likely to see when they leave school, and I do that a lot."

In recent years, students under Jones' direction have staged a public debate over a proposed amendment to the Virginia Constitution guaranteeing residents the right to hunt and fish.

When the Virginia General Assembly passed legislation restricting the volume of trash that can be processed by waste disposal businesses, Jones' students helped a public interest group

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prepare an amicus brief in a case arising from the legislation.

And when the issue of coeducation at then all-male Virginia Military Institute wound its way through appellate

courts, a team Jones recruited wrote an amicus brief on behalf of several organizations to the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

"So while we have plenty to do in class [without getting deeply involved in current events] we do work that is related to current events outside class," Jones says. "That tends to be much more handson work. Students are writing briefs, consulting with clients, doing things they'll do as lawyers."

But the videotapes from Florida are useful, Jones says. Students can learn a lot about techniques of appellate advocacy, strategies of

oral arguments, and "good lawyering skills by watching experienced professionals do their jobs."

Faculty members say that the technology and media revolutions of recent years have enabled them to use current cases in their lessons. In *Bush v. Gore*, students could observe arguments, including those before the U.S. Supreme Court, often as they were happening, and complete briefs in the case were on the Internet within hours of filing.

"These developments have had a tremendous impact on legal research," says John Douglass, associate professor of law. He teaches criminal law and criminal procedure, and he is in charge of the second-year lawyering skills program. "We used to read the summaries in the newspaper and then wait. Now we have almost instant access. It's a great tool for teaching as well as for practicing lawyers. Students need to learn to use it."

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In Smolla's class, second- and third-

year students served as lawyers for the litigants, and nine others, as Supreme Court justices.

"We watched the proceedings on CNN and dissected what they did and compared that to what we did," Smolla says. To add to the verisimilitude, a local television station filmed the proceedings and interviewed students in the class for broadcast on the nightly news.

Says Abed, who represented Bush, "This was a wonderful experience for me and the class. Everyone was interested in the outcome of this election." By researching the issues and arguing them in class, "we could all get a

better understanding of what was going on and could formulate opinions as to which side we agreed with based on the facts of the case."

"It is also important on a social level because many of my non-law school friends asked me many questions, expecting me to know something about it since I was in law school."

As for his students' performance in the mock trials, Smolla says, "They did enormously well. I don't think there was a single argument that surfaced in the real case that wasn't identified and argued in our session."

A frequent contributor to Richmond Law, free-lance writer Rob Walker covered the courts and law-related issues for the Richmond Times-Dispatch for five years.



Alumni judge discusses election litigation

U.S. District Judge Harvey Schlesinger, L'65, was on campus in November to receive the William Green Award for excellence in the legal profession. Schlesinger, who sits on the bench in Florida, took the opportunity to talk with students and faculty about the litigation that would eventually settle the presidential election.

As for lessons to learn from Bush v. Gore, Schlesinger says: "In preparing for litigation, acquire all the facts available. Don't pre-plan a strategy without room for a change, because when something better comes along you may not be willing or able to change."

Democrats may have made a mistake by not focusing their challenge on Duval County, where he sits, Schlesinger says. There, some 29,000 ballots were thrown out, 80 percent of which were from predominantly African-American precincts.

"It seemed that if they wanted to mount a challenge, they might have been better off there, but I think they'd already decided on Palm Beach County."

In a telephone interview, Judge Schlesinger applauded the "tremendous change that has taken place in legal education since I left [law school] in '65, which enables students to work on actual cases.

"I'd encourage students to take advantage of every one they can," he says. "The more experience you can get from actual litigation, the better. It will be invaluable when you go to work."

Schlesinger also told the students that he had the opportunity to enter the fray with the case of Keith Russell Judd, a write-in candidate for president who asked the judge to award Florida's electors to him.

Judd, Schlesinger says, was a remarkable "candidate." He had assembled a network of operatives around the country. He had a Web site and an 800 number. The problem was that Judd and his operatives were prisoners, Schlesinger says. "He had some interesting arguments. But I don't think he was even qualified to vote."

#### GRATITUDE

A beneficiary of civil rights giant Oliver Hill gives back by collaborating on Hill's autobiography

Once in a great while, a chance meeting or perfectly timed offer will lead to a partnership, which if you're good and lucky, will bloom into a true friendship.

Rarer still are occasions to work side-by-side and befriend someone twice your age, particularly when that someone, without even knowing it, has helped pave the way for your own life.

Serendipity begets an opportunity to say thanks.

Please meet Oliver W. Hill Sr. and Jonathan K. Stubbs.

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Hill is the renowned civil rights lawyer, one of the low-profile architects of the movement, a key player in the *Brown v*. *Board of Education* battle, an easily overlooked giant in 20th-century American history.

Stubbs is a soft-spoken, well-credentialed professor at the University of Richmond School of Law, with a background in theology and a deep sense of gratitude.

"If it hadn't been for Mr. Hill and the courageous clients of Mr. Hill, it would have been virtually impossible for me to go to law school or divinity school," says Stubbs, who teaches courses in contracts, professional responsibility and jurisprudence, and a seminar on race, religion and law.

Hill is in the winter of his years. He is past 90 and although his mind and observations remain keen and sharp, his sight is gone, and he must rely on wheelchairs and walkers to get around.

Stubbs, holding degrees from Oxford, Yale and Harvard, is in the prime of his life and career. He has taught and practiced and traveled widely, but he has never forgotten his roots in rural Gloucester, Va.—or the lessons he learned there. One of which was respect for your elders. A prime way to respect them, Stubbs always has known, is to listen to their life experiences.

And learn from their wisdom.

So in early 1992, Stubbs approached Hill. He did not know Hill, having met him twice and only briefly. But he made an appointment, went to see Hill and offered to help shepherd his autobiography.

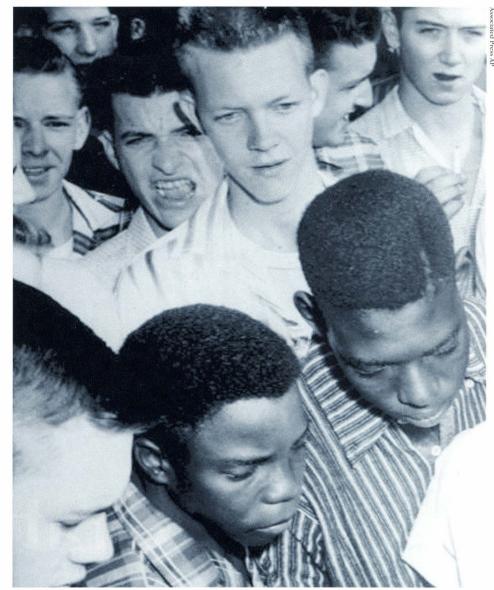
"I was, in a small way, trying to give back something that I had been given," says Stubbs.

Besides, Stubbs says, "Mr. Hill had a story that I could learn from and lots of other people could learn from."

Hill accepted Stubbs' offer and the men became partners.

Then friends.

"It has developed into a tremendous mutual love and admiration," says A. Pierre Jackson, L'93, a former student of Stubbs' who sat in on some of the earliest interviews and was among numerous



Feelings run high as black youths Richard Richardson, 17, and Harold Smith, 17, attempt to enter North Little Rock High School, Ark., in September 1957

people—including Stubbs' legal assistant Anne Smith—who provided crucial help throughout the process.

It has taken eight years—including untold hours of conversation and interviews, personal trials and professional obligations—but, finally, an autobiography is born: *The Big Bang: Brown v. Board of Education and Beyond: The Autobiography of Oliver W. Hill, Sr.* 

During an interview at Hill's Richmond home, Hill and Stubbs sit within a few feet of each other in the living room, taking turns answering questions about the book, talking about their relationship, clearly enjoying each other's company. The conversation is part friendly visit small-talk and part history lesson, with Hill ranging nimbly back to colonial times to make a modern point. A harp, which is played at times by Hill's daughter-in-law, resides behind Hill's chair, providing a classical backdrop. Miss Jess, a curious cat lacking a bashful bone in her body, wanders through from time to time.

"We find ways and reasons to hang out together," says Stubbs of Hill. "I enjoy his sense of humor and his thoughtfulness. He's a role model, not just as a lawyer, but as a compassionate human being."

For his part, Hill says he too has enjoyed getting to know Stubbs. One of the professor's greatest attributes, Hill deadpans, is that "he's reasonable."

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"Sometimes I'm not the easiest person in the world to get along with," says Hill.

Stubbs doesn't buy it. Considering what Hill has seen and experienced in his 93 years, you couldn't much blame him if he were bitter and angry, says Stubbs.

"But I've found the opposite to be true," Stubbs says. "He's positive, upbeat, willing to make allowances for people's foibles."

An only child, Hill was born in Richmond and grew up in Roanoke and Washington, D.C. He met his father only once and was raised by a combination of hard-working adults, including his mother and stepfather, his great-grandmother and family friends, who all directed him to a productive path early on.

"I was raised by people who taught me to have plenty of self-esteem but to be low on ego," says Hill.

Hill doesn't have much trouble with his memory. In the interview, he happily recalls childhood shenanigans—including the time he played with matches and set a bed afire—for which the statute of limitations has long since expired.

He was a bright but not always driven student. He always made sure there was time for play, which meant in the classroom he sometimes settled for, as he called it, "a gentleman's C." It was, after all, the Roaring '20s.

All the while growing up, though, he took note of segregation. He saw how it affected him and his family, and he went to Howard University Law School with the aim "to correct what I perceived to be a grievous error in the law."

At Howard, he befriended a classmate named Thurgood Marshall. Marshall was but one of the friends who would go on to make history along with Hill, who developed a reputation as a brilliant thinker and legal tactician.

Hill went on to become involved in numerous civil rights cases through the years, building a legal framework for the movement. His cases included ones about voting rights, employment protection and, of course, school desegregation. His case involving Prince Edward County, Va., schools was one of five cases consolidated into *Brown v. Board of Education*, which changed the face of America's public education system.

"Everything we got," Hill says, "we had to fight for." Outside the courtroom, he picketed department stores with segregated restaurants and had stare-downs with bus drivers who insisted he ride in the back of the bus. (He didn't.) He was threatened numerous times and lived much of his life with the phone off the hook. Once, while driving with another

lawyer through Southside Virginia working on a voting rights case, he felt sure he was about to be lynched.

Despite the scary times, Hill says he was "never unduly fearful." But he was careful.

"I just didn't want to be a damn fool," he recalls with a laugh.

Hill was elected to the Richmond City Council and served in the administrations of presidents Truman, Kennedy and Johnson. His law firm— Hill, Tucker, Marsh—has long been one of the most respected in Richmond and has spawned

numerous judges through the years.

Viewed as a troublemaker by many when he first began rattling the chains of segregation, Hill now cannot seem to be honored enough. He has been feted by civil rights organizations, legal associations, and colleges and universities (the University of Richmond has honored Hill several times, including in 1994 with an honorary doctor of laws degree). The city of Richmond named its new Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court building after him. In 1999, President Clinton presented him the Medal of Freedom, the highest presidential award to a civilian.

Hill enjoys the honors, but he also remains rather unmoved by it all.

"Everybody's a part of history," he says. "The roles just might be different." During the course of putting the book together, Hill suffered a heart attack and several "mini-strokes." His wife Bernie died and numerous friends—including other lions from the civil rights movement—passed away, too.

Hill and Stubbs met primarily on Friday afternoons. Stubbs would turn on a tape recorder, ask a question, then sit back and listen.

"It was a little bit of an adventure,"

Stubbs says of the process.

Part of that stems from the fact Hill maintains a quiver of sharp opinions. He devotes an entire chapter in the book to his views on the world and the future, including his somewhat skeptical take on religion. With a master's degree in theology from Harvard and as a deeply devout man, Stubbs has a somewhat different stance

"It was interesting to observe the dynamics of their mutual respect regarding their very profound and very dif-

ferent philosophies about the meaning and purpose of human existence," says Pierre Jackson, who is now in private practice in Prince Edward County, ironically, one of Hill's most famous battlegrounds.

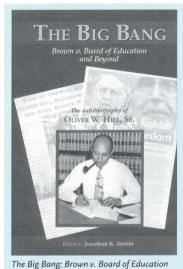
But it hasn't dulled their friendship or prevented them from working together. With the autobiography done, Hill and Stubbs still get together, mostly on Friday afternoons, to work on a book of essays about various issues.

The men talk, Stubbs writes and then they edit the essays sitting in the living room, during another of their give-andtake sessions.

"He's a real stickler for detail," Stubbs says with a smile.

Hill smiles, too.

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A G A I N At 74, retired surgeon Dr. Hyung Mo Lee will be the

oldest law student to graduate

Several "second-career" students at the University of Richmond School of Law have interesting stories to tell. They were military officers, scientists and engineers, among other occupations, before deciding to pursue law degrees. But Dr. Hyung Mo Lee, L'01, is particularly noteworthy. At 74, the retired surgeon is believed to be the oldest person to graduate from Richmond Law. When he leaves in May with degree in hand, he will have inspired and touched those

who came to know him.

"Virtually every year I have taught here, we have had several older students matriculate," says professor of law and associate dean W. Clark Williams Jr., who has been at Richmond Law for more than 20 years. Williams taught Lee civil procedure during Lee's first semester at Richmond.

"But age aside, Lee was one of the most mature students I have ever had," Williams adds. "From the first time I met him, I was struck by his gracious and selfeffacing manner, and what a likable person he is.

"Lee is immensely popular with his classmates," Williams says. "He almost never talks about himself, or the remarkable accomplishments of his medical career. But the other students admire and respect and genuinely like him, as a colleague and a peer."

Lee, a native of Tanchon, Korea, earned a bachelor of science degree from Keijo Imperial University in 1945, and a medical degree from Seoul National University Medical School in 1949. A year later, his country became mired in the Korean War. Eager for advanced medical training and facing limited options in his country, Lee came to the United States in 1953. He interned at a hospital in Wilmington, N.C., for a year before moving to Richmond to study with a renowned thoracic surgeon.

Lee became an assistant resident at the Medical College of Virginia, then a surgical research fellow and resident. During this time, he met another Korean physician named Kyung, who was training to become a pediatrician. They married and started a family, and Kyung retired early to raise their two young children full time. Their daughter is now an attorney in Washington, D.C., and their son is a doctor in Boston.

Lee completed medical training in 1963, then became an instructor of surgery at MCV and quickly advanced to the rank of professor. He was chairman of MCV's division of vascular and transplant surgery and director of its clinical transplant program for more than 20 years.

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He received numerous honors, including the University Award of Excellence and Distinguished Faculty Award, both in 1990; the Asian Pacific Council's second annual Mainstream America Award for Excellence for Medicine, in 1992; and the Best Attending and Excellence in Teaching Award from MCV surgical residents, in 1993. Named professor emeritus in 1996, he retired in 1998.

His wife talked of traveling, but Lee was not ready for a life of leisure. He had watched a neighbor suffer and ultimately die with Alzheimer's disease, and believed he needed something in retirement to keep his intellectual juices flowing. "I had no active hobby," he recalls. "So I asked myself, 'What do I do next?""

Lee says he doesn't recall how he chose law. He knew he didn't want just to take an occasional course, but to embark on a formal, rigorous course of study. He also wanted something different.

"I hate to say it, but I'm a reasonably good surgeon," he says, modestly. "After awhile, it came naturally to me. There was no tremendous effort involved. I was coasting along—and that's not stimulating."

Since he lived near the University of Richmond, he decided to apply to the law school. He took the LSAT and one day, with admittedly less-than-stellar results in hand, introduced himself to Michelle Rahman, director of law admissions.

"When Dr. Lee first came to visit me, I thought, 'Surely he isn't serious,'" Rahman recalls. "I knew little of his background, and thought he was toying with the idea as a way to fill his retirement time. Dr. Lee is extremely unassuming, and his demeanor didn't suggest just how very serious he was."

Rahman suggested that Lee retake the LSAT to become more competitive, "but I truly didn't expect him to do that," she says. "Little did I know. Most young people find this test extremely daunting, but he was very focused. When he came back to see me with the results of the second LSAT, I knew this was someone the admissions committee should admit." Lee entered law school in the fall of 1998. "Many people thought it was a crazy idea," he recalls, "and some were very vocal about it." But Lee's family has been supportive. His wife often drives him to campus so he won't have a long walk from the parking lot. She also packs his lunch, which he carries in his monogrammed L.L. Bean backpack.

Lee readily admits that law school was a big adjustment, socially and academically. "I was not overly concerned about Dr. Lee fitting in with the other students here," Williams says. "I was more concerned about his ability to adapt to the rigors of intense academic study. It is a huge adjustment for almost any new law student, but particularly for those who are many years removed from being students."

"It was a totally different way of thinking," Lee says. "As a surgeon, I made snap decisions based on a broad view. But law is very detail-oriented: nitpicking, follow the rules. [Law school] was more stressful than I expected, but also more stimulating."

And though he struggled, Lee says he never considered quitting. "I am stubborn," he says. "I thought, I am going to do this. I am not going to give up."

"Dr. Lee successfully made the transition," says Williams, "through a combination of intelligence, perseverance and hard work. He was dogged in his efforts to master the material." Lee is unsure what he will do with his degree. "I don't think I would fit into the 8-to-5 world," he says. But he is interested in sharing what he has learned at law school with medical students.

"I think it's important that these two professions understand each other, understand what role each plays in our society," he says. "I think it's especially important for medical students to have a better understanding of law, not how to litigate or regulate, but how the discipline helps humanity."

Lee also is planning to sit for the bar exam. "I will be embarrassed if I don't pass," he says. "But my daughter reminded me that I wanted the experience of going to law school, and taking the bar is part of that experience. So I will do it."

"Dr. Lee is an inspiring person to all of us," Williams says. "It has been a real pleasure to have him as a member of the law school community, and we will miss him when he leaves. But we will be proud to claim him as one of our own."

> Laura S. Jeffrey is editorial assistant in the University communications office and author of eight nonfiction books for children.

#### Another career for Myron Berman, L'93

If Dr. Hyung Mo Lee is the oldest person to graduate from Richmond Law, then Myron Berman, L'93, is the second oldest. Berman, who is an author and former professor at Virginia Commonwealth University, was a practicing rabbi when he matriculated in 1989 at the age of 61. "I was always interested in the law," he says. "I always intended to practice."

After four years of working on his law degree part time, Dr. Berman graduated, passed the bar, and moved to Northern Virginia with his wife, Ruth. (The couple has two grown children, both of whom are lawyers.) Today, Berman has his own general practice in Fairfax with an emphasis on domestic law.

"We're still paying off student loans," Ruth Berman laughs, adding that her husband's practice has "brought in more than we expected." But money was not the main reason Berman pursued a law degree.

"It gave him an option at the end of the trail, so to speak," Mrs. Berman says. "He took charge of the rest of his life. This is much healthier than just sitting at home. And it gives us something to talk about. Sometimes I say to him, 'This is really amazing.'"

-L.S. Jeffrey

#### FACULTY BRIEFS

#### FACULTY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Professor Azizah al-Hibri received the Mednick Fellowship from the Virginia Foundation of Independent Colleges for the summer of 2000, and the Islamic Information Service Outreach Award for the spring of 2000. Recent publications include "Deconstructing Islamic Jurisprudence in Islamic Law: A Faithful Approach" for Global Critical Race Feminism: An International Reader (New York University Press); "An Introduction to Muslim Women's Rights" for Windows of Faith (Syracuse University Press); and "Standing at the Precipice: Faith in the Age of Science and Technology," in Matters of Faith: Religion in American Public Life (Norton Press).

Among her many lectures were "The Rights of Muslim Women in the United States" at the Woodrow Wilson Center; and lectures on the Islamic marriage contract for the University of Pennsylvania School of Law and the Library of Congress Law Library.

She also participated in panel discussions on the Muslim marriage contract in the 21st century for Globalization and Law in Muslim Societies at the Library of Congress, and "The Muslim Marriage Contract in American Courts" for the National Association of Women Judges. Al-Hibri serves on the editorial board of Studies in Contemporary Islam, and on the advisory boards of the Institution of Religion and Public Policy and the Values Institute of America.

**Margaret Bacigal,** administrative director of law clinical placement, concluded her term as editor of *Education and Practice*, and wrote "A Farewell from the Editor" for the fall 2000 issue.

Professor Ronald Bacigal

wrote *Criminal Procedure*, *Cases and Problems* (West) and the fourth edition of *Virginia Criminal Procedure Forms* (Harrison). His *Virginia Criminal Procedure* book was described as a "leading treatise" by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Ramdass v. Angelone*, 120 S.Ct. 2113 (2000).

His other publications include 2001 supplements to the fourth edition of Virginia Criminal Procedure, Manual for the Trial of Capital Cases in Virginia; the second edition of The Admissibility of Evidence in Virginia; and the third edition of Virginia Jury Instructions.

W. Wade Berryhill, professor of law, published the 2000 supplement to the second edition of *Virginia Real Estate Closings with Forms*.

Kathleen Brady, assistant professor of law, served on the drafting committee for the 96th American Assembly and its report on "Matters of Faith: Religion in American Public Life," in New York. The American Assembly is administered by Columbia University.

Professor **Hamilton Bryson** completed *Virginia Law Books: Essays and Bibliographies* (American Philosophical Society), and *Samuel Dodd's Reports* (Carolina Academic Press). He also published a pocket supplement to *Virginia Civil Procedure*.

Timothy L. Coggins, director of the William Taylor Muse Law Library and associate professor of law, wrote "Print No More: U.S. Code, Code of Federal Regulations, and the Federal Register" for the October 2000 issue of Virginia Lawyer; and "Not in Our School: Anatomy of a Banned Books Challenge: An Interview with English Teacher Jeffrey Newton" for the fall issue of Virginia Libraries. He also gave presentations on using the Internet to find legal and other information at the 2000 annual paralegal seminar of the Virginia Trial Lawyers Association, and at the Hunton & Williams Paralegal Retreat.

John Douglass, associate professor of law, wrote "Balancing Hearsay and Criminal Discovery" for the Fordham Law Review, and "Fatal Attraction? The Uneasy Courtship of Brady and Plea Bargaining" for the spring issue of Emory Law Journal. He also participated in the Virginia Conference on the Constitution and Criminal Justice at the University of Virginia School of Law, and taught seminars in legal writing and dispute resolution for the Virginia attorney general's office and the Police Executive Leadership School, respectively.

Publications by Professor **Joel B. Eisen** include "Tenancy in Common, Tenancy in Partnership and Tenancy in Coparcenary" in *Powell on Real Property* (Matthew Bender); "Alternative Dispute Resolution at the Environmental Protection Agency" in *Federal Administrative Dispute Resolution Deskbook for Practitioners* (American Bar Association), and "Practice, Policy and Pedagogy in a Mandatory Environmental Law Course" with Professor **Michael Allan Wolf** for *Water, Air & Soil Pollution* (Kluwer Academic Publishers).

Mary L. Heen, professor of law, wrote "Reinventing Tax Expenditure Reform: Improving Program Oversight under the Government Performance Results Act" for the December 2000 issue of the *Wake Forest Law Review*.

Professor **Ann C. Hodges** contributed "Judicial Review of Labor Arbitration Awards on Public Policy Grounds: The Case Law" to the *Ohio State Journal on Dispute Resolution.* Hodges participated in several teleconferences, including an ABA teleconference on *Pegram v. Herdrich*, and a teleconference with NLRB board member Peter Hurtgen that was sponsored by the Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations at the University of Illinois.

**Derek Jinks**, assistant professor of law, wrote "The Anatomy of an Institutionalized Emergency: Preventive Detention and Personal Liberty in India" for the *Michigan Journal International*; "Constitutionalism, Supranational Law, and Democratic Deficits: Resisting the Isolationist Impulse," for *European Journal International*; and "People's

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Mohahedin Organization of Iran v. Department of State," for *American Journal International*.

He also spoke last year on "Articulating the Global and the Local: National Human Rights Commissions and World Society" at the Academic Council on the United Nations System Annual meeting in Norway; "Recent Developments in Evidence Law" at the Supreme Court of Virginia's Judicial Institute in Charlottesville, Va.; and "The Preventive State in Comparative Perspective" at the St. Louis University School of Law.

Jinks also co-wrote several reports for the Human Rights Documentation Center, an organization that he co-founded and serves as executive director. The group, with offices in New York, Geneva and Bangkok, provides legal advisory services to indigenous human rights groups worldwide.

John Paul Jones, professor of law, wrote "Into the Wind: Rhett Butler and the Law of War at Sea" for the Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce, which he serves as editor, and "There Is No Grass in Albania, So It Couldn't Be Greener at the University of Tirana," for the Virginia State Bar's Education of Lawyers. On the Internet, he publishes Constitution Finder, a resource for locating and retrieving Web versions of the constitutions of the world. Encyclopedia Britannica has recommended his site.

Jones' speaking engagements included discussing state administrative law developments in adjudicative procedure for the 2000 seminar of the Federal Administrative Law Judges conference; and discussing the constitutional right to observe agency adjudications at the annual conference of the National Association of Administrative Law Judges and Hearing Officers.

Professor **Daniel T. Murphy** participated in the ALI Mem-

bers Consultative Group discussions regarding the International Jurisdiction Project and proposed revisions to Article 2 of the UCC. During the fall, he served as a consultant to the law faculty at Far East State University, Vladivostok, in preparation of a significant grant request it made to the USIA.

**Emmeline M. Paulette**, assistant professor for academic success, participated in the Millennium Diversity Initiative of Virginia State Bar: Colloquium on Promoting Minority Access To and Success in the Legal Profession in Virginia. She also wrote an article on academic support that was published in the spring edition of *Education & Practice*, published by the Virginia State Bar Education of Lawyers Section.

Rodney Smolla, Allen Chair Professor of Law, wrote "The Constitutionality of Mandatory Public School Service Programs," for Duke Law School's *Law & Contemporary Problems*, and "Qualified Intimacy, Celebrity, and the Case for a Newsgathering Privilege," for the *University of Richmond Law Review*. He also wrote *The*  First Amendment: Freedom of Expression, Regulation of Mass Media, Freedom of Religion (Carolina Academic Press), and the fourth edition to his casebook Constitutional Law, Structure and Rights in Our Federal System (Lexis Publications).

Smolla also wrote op-ed pieces on prayer in public schools and fair housing for the *Norfolk Virginian-Pilot* and *Roanoke Times*, respectively, and had several speaking engagements, including "Freedom of Speech in the Hit Man Case" for the Virginia Library Association, and "Constitutional Burnout" for the Richmond Bar Association.

Professor Jonathan K. Stubbs presented a paper, "The Secret Journal of Sister Jess: A True(?) Story in Honor of Oliver W. Hill Sr., Esq." at the Widener Law School. The paper was published as the lead article in the Widener Law Symposium Journal. He also presented "The Implications of a Uniracial Worldview: Toward a Jurisprudence of Race and Rights for the Next Millennium" at the Central States Law School Scholarship Conference at the John Marshall Law School in Chicago. He presented a revised version of the paper at the fourth annual conference on Law, Culture and Humanities Scholarship at the University of Teas.

**Peter N. Swisher,** professor of law, researched and wrote the second edition of his family law treatise *Understanding Family Law* (Lexis Publishing Co./Matthew Bender & Co.). He also completed the 2000 cumulative supplement for the second edition of *Virginia Family Law: Theory and Practice* (Lexis Publishing Co.)

Adrienne Volenik, director of the mental disabilities law clinic, made several presentations last year, including "The Paying Parent and Other Ethical Dilemmas" for the Louisiana Criminal Defense Lawyers; "Accessing Services through the Comprehensive Services Act" for the Pro Bono Conference; "Testifying as an Expert Witness" for the VCU graduate psychology department; and "Special Education Issues: How Can Judges Intervene?" for the Juvenile Court Judges Legal Issues meeting.

She also collaborated on "Denied Visitation, Its Impact on Children's Psychological Adjustment, and a Nationwide Review of State Codes," a report for the Supreme Court of Virginia; and "Balancing Information Sharing and Confidentiality: Providing Services for Children" for the Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services.

Professor **Michael Allan Wolf** is in his second year as general editor for *Powell on Real Property* (Matthew Bender). He has completed extension revisions of chapters on mobile and manufactured homes, introduction to future interests, easements, conservation easements, planned unit development, waste, trespass and real estate brokers.

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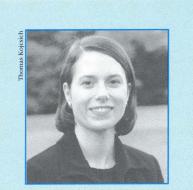
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Foot comes to the law school from TheatreVirginia, where she held the position of annual fund manager. Over two fiscal years, she increased annual giving by 43 percent, and she played a role in raising more than \$1 million in fiscal year 2000. Prior to working at TheatreVirginia, she worked as the education and outreach coordinator for Ballet Arizona in Phoenix.

Foot holds a bachelor's degree in philosophy and sociology from Tufts University, and a master's degree in arts management from the H. John Heinz III School of Public Policy and Management at Carnegie Mellon University.

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# New president encourages alumni participation

As the incoming president of the Law School Association, I am proud to be representing

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One of my goals as your new president is to build support for the law school

through the alumni association dues program. The percentage of dues-paying alumni at any institution is a reflection of its vitality. So far this year, our dues program is strong.

Monies raised through the dues program directly support the budget for the Law School Association, which in turn funds programs designed to serve the Richmond Law community. These programs include Fall Gathering, scholarship aid, the Young Grads Council, a "Welcome to the Alumni Association" reception for third-year students, and lunches and encouragement for our students taking the bar exam. The LSA also funds special projects like the Top-Tier Initiative and a portrait of former Dean Joseph Harbaugh that is being commissioned for the school this year.

That being said, please join the association if you have not done so already! By paying your dues, not only will you be helping to support programs that serve you and your law school, but you will be better connected with your fellow alumni and enjoy benefits such as legal re-

source sharing (through our faculty, library, career services office, and so on).

Through our programming and board leadership, one of the Law School Association's missions is to bridge the different seg-

ments of the Richmond Law community. The LSA is the one organization that serves the spectrum: current students, young graduates and seasoned alumni, as well as law school faculty and staff. Representatives from each of these groups serve on the board and attend meetings. The LSA also works closely with other related organizations such as bar associations.

It is also my hope as your new president to build on the strong foundation already in place, thanks to the hard work of our dedicated board and our immediate past president, Peter D. Eliades, L'84. Working with our new vice president, John C. Ivins Jr., L'83, we will continue to develop current initiatives and to uphold the mission of the Law School Association.

I encourage you to become more involved and I welcome your input on how the association might better serve its members. Please bring your questions and thoughts to me or any of my fellow board members. You may contact me at (540) 982-3800 or omelchionna@wmtda.com, or contact the alumni office at (804) 289-8028 to find out how you can become more involved through mentoring, reunions and other activities.

Alumni of the University of Richmond School of Law have much of which to be proud. I thank all of you who have helped contribute to the success of our law school.

> Olin R. Melchionna Jr., L'74 President, Law School Association

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Robert R. Merhige Jr. National Environmental Negotiation Competition, 10th anniversary <i>Alumni are invited to come at 1:30 p.m. on March 24</i> <i>for the final round, followed by a reception</i>	March 23-24
George E. Allen Chair Symposium "Lawyer Advertising"	April 5
1870 Dinner Robins Pavilion, Jepson Alumni Center	April 21
Law School Association board meeting 9 a.m. – noon	May 12
Commencement	May 12
Fall term begins	Aug. 20
Fall Gathering and reunions	Oct. 5-6



#### NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Six alumni were elected to serve three-year terms on the Law School Association board of directors. They began their terms in January 2001, serving under the leadership of Olin R. Melchionna Jr., L'74, president; and John C. Ivins Jr., L'83, vice president, who also is a new board member. Meeting three times a year, the board is made up of 24 members.

Here is an introduction to the newest members of the association board.



Nadine Marsh-Carter, W'86 and L'95, is the executive director of Volunteer Emergency Families for Children, a statewide organization that helps children and youth in crisis. After law school, she practiced law at Hill, Tucker & Marsh for five years. Her affiliations include the executive committee of the Old Dominion Bar Association, and the boards of directors of Childrens Home Society and Richmond Court Appointed Special Advocates. She holds an undergraduate degree from Richmond in journalism and political science, and her sister is Sonya Marsh Craft, W'88. She is married and has a daughter.



Ralph M. Goldstein, L'64, of Williamsburg, Va., is a partner with Jones, Blechman, Woltz & Kelly in Newport News, Va. His areas of practice include commercial and residential real estate law. He is active with United Way of the Virginia Peninsula and the United Jewish Community Endowment Fund, among other organizations. At Richmond Law he established the Goldstein Endowed Scholarship Fund and the Goldstein Scholarship Income Fund. He served as president of the Virginia Bar Association from 1993 to 1994, and holds an undergraduate degree from Duke University. He is married and is the father of Irving Goldstein, L'94, and two other children.



John C. Ivins Jr., L'83, is a member of the litigation section and a shareholder of Hirschler, Fleischer, Weinberg, Cox & Allen of Richmond. He also is an adjunct faculty member at Richmond Law, where he teaches lawyering skills and advanced trial-practice courses to secondand third-year law students. His community involvement includes board membership for the Tuckahoe YMCA, Make-A-Wish Foundation of Richmond and Western Virginia, and Science Museum of Virginia. He holds an undergraduate degree from Virginia Tech, and is married and has two children.



Charles B. "Chip" Molster III, L'83, is a partner with Winston & Strawn in Washington, D.C., where he is responsible for managing complex cases including telecommunications, antitrust and securities issues in federal and state courts throughout the United States. He previously worked for 12 years at Keck, Mahin & Cate in Washington, D.C. He holds an undergraduate degree in English from the University of Virginia. He is married and is the son of Betty S. Molster, W'55.



Deborah Moreland Russell, L'79, is a partner in the Richmond office of McGuireWoods LLP. She has more than 20 years of experience in products liability and complex tort litigation, and is chair of her

firm's product liability and litigation management department. She is a frequent author and speaker to judicial conferences and bar groups concerning admissibility of expert testimony, management of mass tort litigation and class action litigation. At Richmond, she was editor and member of the University of Richmond Law Review and chancellor of the McNeill Law Society. She holds an undergraduate degree in social welfare from Virginia Commonwealth University. She is married and has three children; her brother is David Moreland, B'82.



David W. Shreve, R'74 and L'77, has been a solo practitioner in Altavista, Va., with an emphasis on trial work, since 1978. His affiliations include the executive committee of the family law section of the Lynchburg Bar, board of directors of the Altavista Chamber of Commerce, and founding director and president of the Altavista area/Campbell County Habitat for Humanity. He holds an undergraduate degree in political science from Richmond. He is married and is the father of Brandon Cox, AW'99, and two other children.

## Technology symposium highlights Law Weekend

Opening the events of Law Weekend last September was a daylong symposium on legal issues involved e-business and e-commerce, with a keynote address by Virginia Secretary of Technology Donald W. Upson (see article, p. 3).

Following were the annual Fall Gathering on Friday evening, Sept. 15; the annual meeting of the Law School Association on Saturday morning, Sept. 16; and class reunions for alumni from class years ending in 0 and 5.



Robin L. Farkas, L'01, with Bonnie R. Atwood, L'96

At a special reception, "Countdown to Victory," celebrating progress of the law school's Top-Tier Initiative, guests heard from John Marshall Scholars Emily Domalski, L'03, and Edward J. Dillon Jr., L'01, as well as initiative co-chairs James V. Meath, L'79, and J. Waverly Pulley, R'68 and L'72.



J. Waverly Pulley III, R'68 and L'72, and Russell W. Jordan III, L'69

# **Fall Gathering**



Timothy L. Barnes, L'78, with Jean Tarpley, retired director of law admissions



Students Eric Gregory, R'96 and L'02, with classmates David DePippo and Ben Pace, both L'02



Mufeed W. Said, L'98, and Michele C. Whitehead, L'97



Members of the Class of 1950

# **Countdown to Victory**

The Hon. Joseph F. Spinella and Nicholas A. Spinella, both L'50, co-chairs for the 50th reunion



Linda G. Davidson, G'77, and her husband, William S. Davidson, L'73, with President William E. Cooper

# CLASS



Harry L. Thompson, L'49, has retired from his position as senior partner of Thompson, Smithers, Newman, Wade & Childress, the firm he founded. He spent much of his 49 years in practice as a litigator.



Shelton Clarke, L'50, and his wife, Helen, were unable to attend the 50th reunion because of her poor health. They send their regards to all those who were a part of the Class of 1950.

Joseph F. Spinella, L'50, and his wife celebrated their 50th anniversary on April 22, 2000.

The Hon. Willard R. Finney, L'53, of Rocky Mount, Va., and the Hon. William L. Wimbish, L'58, of Richmond, were recognized as life members of the Virginia Bar Association at the VBA's summer meeting at the Homestead in Hot Springs, Va., last August. Life members are those who have served the legal profession and the public through 40 years of continuous membership in the VBA and have reached the age of 70.

John Smart, L'59, and his wife, Marilyn, are parents of Elizabeth Smart Borreson, L'90, who was promoted Oct. 30, 2000, to the rank of major in the National Guard. Stationed in Arlington, Va., Borreson is a JAG officer serving on the staff of the general counsel of the National Guard.



Donald B. Vaden, R'57 and L'60, was recertified by the Supreme Court of Virginia to receive referrals for mediation from the circuit courts for both general and family mediations.

John G. Rocovich, L'67, is a director of the Virginia College Fund.

Ralph L. "Bill" Axselle Jr., L'68, has been elected vice chairman of the board of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce.



Lauren Sartoris, L'70, has been elected chairman of the board of directors of Virginia Blood Services. She is president of the Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association.

Sandy T. Tucker, R'67 and L'70, is a director of the Virginia College Fund.

Harvey L. Bryant, L'74, was elected commonwealth's attorney for Virginia Beach in November 2000. In April 2000, he was appointed interim commonwealth's attorney by the Virginia Beach Circuit Court following the appointment of his predecessor to the Virginia Court of Appeals. At the time of his appointment, Bryant had served 13 years as an assistant United States attorney in the Eastern District of Virginia, Norfolk division.

W. Richard Kay Jr., L'74, is a member of the board of directors of the Mathematics & Science Center Foundation in Richmond.

Stran L. Trout, R'71 and L'74, a retired attorney, has been elected secretary of the board of directors of the New Kent, Va., Chamber of Commerce.

John F. Gehring, L'76, recently opened his own office in Plymouth Meeting, Pa. His practice concentrates on representing creditors in bankruptcy cases.

William J. Irvin, L'76, of Richmond, is a member of the advisory council for the Legal Information Network for Cancer. He also is a member of the board of directors of the Friends Association for Children.

Louis A Mezzullo, L'76, was re-elected vice president of the International Academy of Trust and Estate Law. He also was elected a charter member of the American College of Employee Benefits Council. He is chairman of the ABA's section of real property, probate and trust law, which consists of 30,000 lawyers who practice in the area of estate planning and real estate law.

Edward F. Parsons, L'76, of Richmond, has formed Parsons & Associates, a law practice representing individual and closely held business clients in business and real estate transactions, tax planning, estate planning and estate administration.

**Carl J. Witmeyer II, L'76,** is the vice president of the Metro Richmond Family Law Association.

Theodore L. Chandler Jr., L'77, with LandAmerica Financial Group, is president-elect of the Richmond chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth.

**Robert L. Flax, L'77,** has been selected vice chair of the marketing legal services committee in the general practice, solo and small firm section of the ABA.

**Bradford B. Sauer, L'77,** is a member of the board of directors of the Memorial Child Guidance Clinic.

James F. Stutts, L'77, is a member of the board of directors of Friends Association for Children.

The Hon. Leslie M. Osborn, R'75 and L'78, married Kelley Irby, L'86, on Dec. 6, 1995.

Michael A. Glasser, L'78, has been appointed by the Virginia State Bar to a task force charged with studying whether the public should have more access to information about disciplinary proceedings against lawyers.

John T. Midgett, L'78, and Kevin B. Rack, L'84, have formed a new firm, Midgett & Rack, with offices in Virginia Beach and Williamsburg, Va. The firm concentrates on estate planning, fiduciary and tax litigation, elder law, and probate and trust administration.

Jackson E. Reasor, L'78, has been elected vice chairman of the board of directors of the Virginia College Fund.

The Hon. Michael C. Allen, L'79, has been appointed by the Virginia State Bar to a task force charged with studying whether the public should have more access to information about disciplinary proceedings against lawyers. **Bruce E. Arkema, L'79,** is vice chairman of the board of directors of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

John V. Cogbill, L'79, has been elected chairman of the business council forum of the board of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce.

G. Wingate Grant, R'72 and L'79, has been elected secretary of the board of directors of the Bull & Bear Club of Richmond.

JoAnne L. Nolte, L'79, has been named to the board of trustees of the Energy and Mineral Law Foundation.

**Deborah M. Russell, L'79,** a partner in the Richmond office of McGuireWoods, was appointed chairman of the firm's products liability and litigation management department.



**Robert T. Billingsley, L'80,** is a member of the board of directors of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

#### Susan H. Buffington,

L'80, the finance coordinator for Virginia Lt. Gov. John Hager's gubernatorial campaign, has been appointed to the board of directors of the Trust Company of Virginia.



ALUMNI PROFILE WORKING FOR CIVIL RIGHTS AND RELIGIOUS FREEDOM **Tom Roberts, L'86,** arrived for his first day of law school with his belongings in his car and no place to live. But don't let his lack of planning fool you. The Northern Virginia resident knew exactly where he was going.

Desiring to practice civil rights law, Roberts chose the University of Richmond because of its reputation and proximity to the large Virginia courts. Interested in private practice, he found the opportunity to get to know Richmond and its people an added bonus.

As a law student, Roberts says he "enjoyed being a thorn in the side of the students in my ethics class," often playing devil's advocate and pushing ir own beliefs

people to examine their own beliefs.

Richmond "provided an environment that fostered healthy debate," says Roberts. "It gave me a good foundation for the practice of law."

Following graduation, Roberts founded Thomas H. Roberts & Associates, P.C., in Richmond. Today, Roberts and his associate, Tim Schulte, L'97, represent individuals and businesses in cases involving civil rights, religious freedom, employment law, the First and Fourth Amendments, and discrimination.

"Individual liberties are a core building block of our society," says Roberts. "I like religious freedom cases because I think religious liberty is one of the most fundamental freedoms in our society."

One such case involved school administrators attempting to censor the publicity and activities of a high school chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Roberts' work resulted in new rights for the organization and the protection of "religious liberties and rights of equal access for students" at the school.

Roberts believes his faith compels him to fight for justice and liberty. He spent his elementary school years in Afghanistan, and continues to work for religious freedoms in the Middle East. Roberts and his Jewish wife, Shari, who both share faith in Jesus as the Messiah, are raising their three sons to value and respect all people.

Despite his 50- to 60-hour work weeks, Roberts makes time to coach his sons' soccer teams, kayak and paint. Many of his paintings are even accessible through a link on his self-designed firm Web site.

But righting "serious injustices" will always be his passion. "My guiding principle," says Roberts, "is to 'do justice,

love mercy and walk humbly before my God."

The Hon. Bonnie C. Davis, L'80, is the honorary vice president of the Metro Richmond Family Law Association.

**Cheryl G. Ragsdale, L'80,** is counselor/recorder of the John Marshall American Inn of Court.

Roseleen P. Rick, L'80, of Mays & Valentine, is a member of the Leadership Metro Richmond Class of 2001.

**Evelyn Small Traub, B'77 and L'80,** is past president of the board of directors of the Central Virginia Employee Benefits Council.

Herbert A. Claiborne, L'81, a member of the University's Board of Associates, is vice president for development of the board of directors of the New Community School in Richmond.

Mary G. Commander, L'81, has opened her own firm in Norfolk, Va.

**Debra Gardner, L'81,** is a member of the board of directors of the endowment fund of the Jewish Community Federation of Richmond.

Robert Donald Murphy Jr., L'81, is an investment analyst at Northwestern Mutual Life/ Baird Securities in Richmond.

Barbara Mode Rose, L'81, is a member of the advisory council for the Legal Information Network for Cancer.

Marilynn C. Goss, L'82, is the recipient of the Central Virginia Legal Aid Award for 2000 from the Virginia State Bar's access to legal services committee. The award is given to a legal aid attorney in Virginia whose work has an impact beyond the attorney's service area and who demonstrates innovation, experience and excellence in advocacy on behalf of lowincome clients.

Victor A. Shaheen, L'82, has earned the designation of certified relocation professional from the Employee Relocation Council. He is a principal with the law firm of Shaheen & Shaheen.

John D. Whitlock, L'82, is a new member of the board of the Greater Richmond Chamber of Commerce.

Kenneth J. Alcott, B'77 and L'83, has been elected president of the board of directors of the Friends Association for Children.

Kimberly G. Bram, L'83, is vice president of environmental compliance and real estate counsel for the Southern States Cooperative.

David W. Clarke, L'83, has been named managing director of McCandlish Kaine. John C. Ivins Jr., L'83, is vice chairman of the board of directors of the Make-A-Wish Foundation. He is secretary and director of Hirschler, Fleisher, Weinberg, Cox & Allen. He also was elected to the board of directors of the Richmond Public Library.

David Ruby, L'83, of McSweeney, Burtch & Crump, is a member of the board of directors of the endowment fund of the Jewish Community Federation of Richmond.

Kevin B. Rack, L'84, has been named one of Virginia's "Legal Elite" in the practice areas of taxes, trusts and estates by Virginia Business magazine. He and John T. Midgett, L'78, have formed a new firm, Midgett & Rack, with offices in Virginia Beach and Williamsburg, Va. The firm concentrates on estate planning, fiduciary and tax litigation, elder law, and probate and trust administration.

Mary-Ellen A. Kendall, L and GB'85, has been named general counsel of the National White Collar Crime Center. The center is a nonprofit corporation that provides training to law enforcement and prosecutors in the areas of Internet, telemarketing and white-collar crime, and credit card fraud. She also is celebrating her 13th year as an adjunct faculty member in the University's School of Continuing Studies teaching legal courses, and her 29th wedding anniversary with her husband, Daniel.

**Carolyn C. Lavecchia, L'85,** is president-elect of the John Marshall American Inn of Court.

**Charles W. Best III, L'86,** is the chairman of the international practice section of the Virginia State Bar.

**Dawn Bonham DeBoer,** L'86, has been elected to the board of trustees of the Memorial Child Guidance Clinic.

Alan B. Gnapp, L'86, joined Duane and Shannon as a director. He is an insurance defense trial lawyer with expertise in automobile defense, veterinarian liability, adult care residence liability and coverage analysis.

**Steven J. Keeler, L'86,** is a member of the board of directors of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Kelley Irby Osborn, L'86, was married to the Hon. Leslie M. Osborn, L'78, on Dec. 6, 1995.

**Rhysa South, L'86,** has been appointed to serve as a member of the board of governors of the Virginia State Bar local government law section. Annemarie Lantz Gover,

L'87, has been named compliance officer for Keystone Health Plan Central, a Blue Cross/ Blue Shield HMO in Camp Hill, Pa. She and her husband live in Camp Hill with their two sons, John, 8, and Andrew, 5.

Kirk T. Schroder, R'84, B'84 and L'87, a partner

at LeClair Ryan, has been re-elected to the governing committee of the ABA's forum on entertainment and sports industries.

**Susan K. Stoneman, L'87,** was elected secretary of the Estate Planning Council of Richmond.

Edward S. Whitlock III, R'83 and L'87, has been elected president of the Henrico County Bar Association.

Laura G. Aaron, L'88, has joined Healthcare Regulatory Advisors Inc. as an attorney specializing in representation of hospitals, nursing homes, physicians and other health care providers.

Jeffry Burden, L'88, has been elected to the board of the Virginia chapter of the Arthritis Foundation.

Lisa Stiles Licata, L'88, and her husband, Mark, have a son, Robertson Whittier, born June 1, 2000.

Kimberly A. Pinchbeck, B'85, GB'88 and L'88, an attorney with Taylor, Hazen, Kauffman & Pinchbeck PLC, has been appointed to the board of United Methodist Family Services. She and her husband, Bert Smith, announce the birth of their son, Mason Pinchbeck, on Sept. 16, 2000.

David L. Epperly Jr., L'89, of Epperly, Follis & Schork, has been certified as a member of the Million Dollar Advocated Forum. Membership in the forum is limited to attorneys who have won million-dollar and multimillion-dollar verdicts, awards and settlements.

Andrea Erard, L'89, an attorney in private practice, is a member of the Leadership Metro Richmond Class of 2001.

John W. Paradee, L'89 and GB'89, and his wife, Linda, have a son, Jackson McNinch, who was born June 30, 2000.

**Eva Brindisi Pearlman,** L'89, and her husband, Victo: Pearlman, L'89, announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Rose, on Nov. 1, 2000. She joins brother Joshua.

Marc S. Robinson, L'89, has changed the name of his law firm to Marc S. Robinson & Associates, PLLC. Richard S. Samet, L'89, is counsel to the firm Goodman West & Filetti, where he handles the defense of medical malpractice, and property and casualty claims.



Elizabeth Smart Borreson, L'90, was promoted Oct. 30, 2000, to the rank of major in the National Guard. She is a JAG officer serving on the staff of the general counsel of the National Guard and is stationed in Arlington, Va. Her parents are Marilyn and John Smart, L'59.

Mary Shea Huneycutt, L'90, was married in July 1999 and moved to Idaho in November 1999. She passed the Idaho bar exam in February 2000 and celebrated the birth of her son, Connor Luke, April 5, 2000.

Julie D. McClellan, W'87, L'90 and GB'90, is a member of the board of directors of the Richmond chapter of the American Red Cross.

Courtney Allen Van Winkle, L'90, has become a shareholder at Allen, Allen, Allen & Allen. She has been an associate with the firm since 1990 and works with complex automobile and liability cases.



Helping immigrant workers

ALUMNI PROFILE

"I've always been interested in issues of peace and justice," says Victor Narro, L'91.

Narro came to the United States with his parents when he was 3. As a child in Brooklyn, N.Y., he witnessed police corruption and brutality against his neighbors, and he remembers how the Rev. Martin Luther King's death affected students and teachers at his predominantly black school.

Narro moved to Richmond as a teenager and completed his undergraduate degree at Virginia Commonwealth University. After graduation, he worked at a local hospital to pay the bills. He also became a U.S. citizen.

In 1988, Narro enrolled at the University of Richmond School of Law, where

he was one of a handful of minority students in his class. He selected Richmond because of then-Dean Joseph Harbaugh's push to diversify the law school faculty and students.

Following graduation, Narro remained in Richmond for a year before moving to Los Angeles "to do work on behalf of immigrants." He became the regional office staff attorney for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, where he handled litigation and community education. One of his major accomplishments was his work against Proposition 187, California's attempt to deny education and emergency health care to illegal immigrants.

Since 1997, Narro has been the Workers' Rights Project director for the Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles, where he represents immigrant workers on employment discrimination, and wage and hour issues. Fluent in Spanish, he conducts workshops to educate workers about their rights, researches legal cases, lobbies on behalf of pro-immigrant legislation, works with the media, and writes foundation requests to continue CHIRLA's funding. In addition to legal advocacy work, Narro has implemented organizing projects with garment workers, day laborers, gardeners and domestic workers.

Never interested in working at a traditional law firm, Narro thinks people are deterred from doing public interest work because of financial issues. A member of many boards and civil rights organizations, Narro suggests that anyone "can still do this kind of work through board or community task force memberships."

"I'm grateful that I have been able to use my legal education to improve the lives of working immigrant families," says the 37-year-old Los Angeles resident. "My job is so much a part of my life that I don't see it as work."

Even with his long workdays, Narro makes time to enjoy the outdoors, biking or hiking on weekends. He also runs marathons to raise money for immigrant workers, having completed his 10th race this February.

By Alissa Mancuso Poole, AW'94

Richmond A. Wollstein, L'90, is the Colonial Heights, Va., representative to the Metro Richmond Family Law Association.

John A. Burlingame, L'91, has become a partner in the law firm of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey.

Jennifer Crossland, L'91, is the Chesterfield County, Va., representative to the Metro Richmond Family Law Association.

Mark W. Dellinger, L'91, works as an attorney at Gentry, Locke, Rakes & Moore. He and his wife, Jane, live in Roanoke, Va.

**B.** Page Gravely Jr., R'88 and L'91, and his wife, Mary Fehm Gravely, W'88, had a daughter, Madeleine Paige, on July 6, 2000. She joins sisters Meg, 5, and Katherine, 3.

Garland L. Bigley, L'92, of Petersburg, Va., was promoted in July 2000 to senior assistant attorney general, with a primary practice area of mental health and health services.

**Dana J. Finberg, L'92,** is a member of McCandlish Kaine's executive committee.

**Robin B. Jaffe, L'92,** has joined Payne, Gates, Farthing & Radd in Norfolk, Va. Manoli Loupassi, L'92, of Richmond, was elected to represent the 1st District on the Richmond City Council. He and his wife, Hyde, celebrated the birth of their daughter, Jane Doxey, on Oct. 6, 2000.

Ellen Firsching Brown, L'93, left the attorney general's office last June to become inhouse senior counsel for Dominion Virginia Power. She and her husband, Orran, announce the birth of their son, Read William, on Aug. 1, 2000.

Susan W. Atkinson, L'93, is treasurer of the board of directors of the Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association.

Katharine Salmon Cary and Brian Keith Cary, both L'93, have a daughter, Laura Scott, born July 25, 2000. She joins sister Caroline, 3.

Thomas C. Foster, L'93, is president of the board of directors of the Central Virginia Employee Benefits Council.

#### Margaret Heenan

Smither, L'93, is president of the board of directors of the Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association.

**Carolyn A. White, L'93,** is vice president of the board of directors of the Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association.



Robert Randolph Jones, L'33 Nov. 7, 2000

Nan Ross McConnell Appel, L'43 April 10, 2000

Lorentz C. Hamilton Jr., L'47 Sept. 21, 2000

Harold L. Flax, R'47 and L'49 Oct. 5, 2000

Norman A. Krumenacker, L'50 Dec. 2, 1998

> Paris Leadbetter, L'50 Oct. 18, 1999

**Robert E. Pembleton, L'50** Sept. 7, 2000

George T. Rison III, R'50 and L'55 Sept. 11, 1999

> Ivy P. Blue, L'56 Nov. 10, 2000

William R. Marshall Jr., L'65 Aug. 7, 2000

Porter R. Graves Jr., L'68 Jan. 22, 2001

Thomas M. Winn III,

L'93, published "De-

fending Employment

After the Supreme

Court's Decision in

Reeves v. Sanderson

Inc." in the Journal of

Civil Litigation (Vol.

XII, No. 3). He is an

and employment

associate in the labor

group at the Roanoke,

and is a member of the

Virginia Association of

Va., office of Woods,

Rogers, Hazelgrove

Defense Attorneys.

Plumbing Products,

**Discrimination Claims** 

Judith C. Worland, L'93, is secretary of the board of directors of the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Dr. Mark A. Taylor, L'94, is associate director for academic affairs at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and is director of Wharton's Leadership in the Business World summer institute. He recently earned a Ph.D. in higher education from Florida State University. His doctoral dissertation explored the changes in religious identity at Baptist universities during the 1990s.

**Bruce E. Tucker, L'94,** of Charlottesville, Va., was married to April McNulty on Oct. 14, 2000.

Julie Schucht Whitlock,

**L'94,** is a systems analyst in technology procurement and contracting at the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, where she is responsible for negotiating and administering contracts for information technology.

Nancy Douglas Cook, L'95, has become a partner in the family law practice of Donald K. Butler. She is a District 2 trustee for the Alliance of the American Dental Association.

Stephanie Karn, L'95, of

McGuireWoods, is a member of the board of directors of the READ Center. She and her husband, William, have a daughter, Emily Maguire Karn, born Oct. 4, 2000.

Sheri L. Liccioni, L'95, is an associate in the products liability and litigation management department of McGuireWoods.

**Elliott P. Park, L'95,** is chairman-elect of the international practice section of the Virginia State Bar.

William W. Tunner, L'95, has joined Thompson & McMullan and will practice in the areas of civil and commercial litigation, insurance defense, workers' compensation, employment law and creditors' rights.

**Brandy J.F. Burnett,** L'96, is a partner at Saunders, Cary & Patterson. She also is a CPA and will practice in the fields of taxation, estate planning and administration, and elder law.

**Robert Edley, L'96,** has been promoted to manager of tax and legal services with PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Christopher A. Jones, L'96, is an associate in the creditors' rights and bankruptcy practice group of LeClair Ryan.

Harris Kay, L'96, is an attorney with LeClair Ryan.

Jonathon H. Lack, L'96, has opened a practice in Anchorage, Alaska, which primarily handles family and domestic relations matters.

David C. Owen, L'96, is an attorney with Metris Companies Inc. of Minneapolis, where he specializes in e-commerce and corporate law. Metris Companies is an information-based direct marketer of consumer credit products and enhancement services. Amy Niehaus Edwards, L'97, and her husband are parents to twins, Quincey Katherine and Spencer Raymond, born Sept. 22, 2000.

William L. Hazel, L'97, has joined McGuire-Woods as an attorney in the financial services group.

**Braxton Hill, L'97,** of Christian & Barton, is a member of the board of directors of the READ Center.

**Preston Wigner, L'97,** of Hunton & Williams, is a member of the board of directors of the READ Center.

Pamela M. Herrington, L'98, has joined the Richmond law firm of Butler, Williams, Pantele & Skilling.

Katherine Benson Bain, L'99, is an associate in the corporate and insurance sections of Crews & Hancock.

Colby Brunt, L'99, is a Fellow at the National Association for Public Interest Law. She will be working on an employment options project in Marlboro, Mass., establishing the Clubhouse Parents Legal Support Project to provide effective legal representation to lowincome parents with mental illness who are at risk of losing custody or contact with their children.

M. Seth Ginther, L'99, is an associate with Hirschler, Fleischer, Weinberg, Cox & Allen. His practice in the firm's business section includes securities regulation, capital formation, mergers and acquisitions, and general business law.

Mary Beth Joachim, L'99, is treasurer of the Metro Richmond Family Law Association.

Michael J. Rothermel, L'99, is an associate with Spotts Fain Buis Chappel & Anderson. His practice focuses on commercial litigation and creditors' rights.

Troy Savenko, L'99, is an associate in the creditors' rights and bankruptcy practice group of LeClair Ryan.

Neil S. Talegaonkar, L'99, has joined Thompson & McMullan and will practice commercial litigation and employment law.

David M. Vogt, L'99, has joined Williams Mullen Clark & Dobbins as an associate in the firm's immigration section.



John R. Bollinger, L'oo, is an associate in the creditors' rights and bankruptcy practice group of LeClair Ryan.

Julien M.A. Bourgeois, L'oo, is an associate in the Washington, D.C., office of Dechert.

Andrew K. Clark, L'oo, is an associate at Sands Anderson Marks & Miller, where his practice concentrates on business and professional litigation.

Jacqueline R. Fields, L and GB'oo, is an associate in the corporate and finance department of Piper Marbury Rudnick & Wolfe in Baltimore.

**M. Darren Traub, L'oo,** is an associate with the Atlanta office of Seyfarth Shaw, where his practice concentrates in the areas of intellectual property litigation and e-commerce corporate matters.

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William Green Award 2000 recipient, the Hon. Harvey E. Schlesinger, L'65, (right) visits with former Green Award honoree Oliver W. Hill Sr., H'94, (seated) and Hill's collaborator, Professor Jonathan K. Stubbs. See Scholarship Luncheon article on p. 3 and Stubbs-Hill article on p. 7.