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Many changes are occurring within
the Law School and every effort is be-
ing made to report on these changes.
There are, however, a great many
other developments, both within and
without the Law School, that are of in-
terest to alumni, friends, faculty and
students. Readers are, therefore, en-
couraged to submit items of general in-
terest, of either news or commentary
value, for publication.

–The Editor

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The Newsletter, of which this is Volume VI, Number 1, is published for the
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Dean's Report

It is always a pleasure to write for the summer issue of our alumni newsletter, as it affords an opportunity to review the activities and accomplishments of the academic year. Much of our attention last fall was devoted to preparing for our regular seven-year reinspection by our two accrediting agencies, the American Bar Association and the Association of American Law Schools. A five-member team representing these two organizations spent three days at the school in late October examining every facet of our program, and their report was received in February. The report contained few surprises and reflected the same concerns noted in our own self-study regarding such matters as inadequate space in our physical facility and insufficient full time teaching strength. The next step will be appointment of a long-range planning committee to formulate recommendations to the Board of Trustees regarding the goals and aspirations of the law school over the next ten years, as well as the physical, human and financial resources needed to achieve them. We expect this committee to be appointed soon, and it will certainly include representatives from among our law alumni.

Our faculty remains active and productive in their teaching, scholarly accomplishments, and service to the profession. We have experienced no turnover among the full-time faculty during the past two years, and 75% of the faculty is now tenured. The legal writing and skills training components of our curriculum have been greatly strengthened in recent years, and the faculty is currently re-examining our upper-level required courses to determine whether adjustments are needed in light of changes in the state of the law and the profession.

As reported in other articles in this issue, our placement results continue to be excellent, and our admissions picture remains stable. We continue to attract talented young people into our program, and our graduates are experiencing an increasingly positive response from an expanding number and range of employers. It is especially encouraging to see more than 10% of our recent graduating classes being chosen for judicial clerkships, a very prestigious and informative vantage point from which to begin one's career in the profession.

We very much appreciate the strong interest and support for the law school which are exhibited by our alumni, and I hope you will continue to provide us with your advice and counsel whenever you have ideas which could benefit the program.

Dean Thomas A. Edmonds
Alternate Dispute Resolution Added To The Curriculum
by Professor Thomas F. Guernsey

Alternate dispute resolution (ADR) is thought by many to be the wave of the future. ADR is any process whereby the decision to a dispute is reached by some method other than a regular judge sitting in a regular court room presiding over regular litigation. Students at T.C. Williams this semester, for the first time were offered an opportunity to study ADR in a systematic manner. The law school's well developed package of simulation (role playing) courses have taught negotiation for a number of years, and arbitration is touched upon in courses such as labor law. The law school, however, like most law schools had not offered a course specifically addressing dispute resolution methods other than litigation and negotiation.

ADR is obviously a broad topic. In fact, it has been said that litigation is the real alternate form of dispute resolution, since ADR covers everything else. Some forms of ADR are quite familiar to lawyers. Certainly the most widely used is negotiation. Arbitration is also quite common especially in the labor law area. Arbitration is also widely used in contract disputes and several jurisdictions like Virginia have malpractice review panels which are a form of non binding arbitration. Other forms of ADR are less familiar to lawyers, but are growing in use.

Mediation, for example, where a third party neutral acts as a facilitator to get the people to solve their own dispute has received a great deal of attention recently. Mediation is presently being used in a wide range of disputes, including areas like family law and environmental law. A growing number of lawyers, for example, are trying to set up practices where they act as divorce mediators.

The ADR course at the law school studies dispute resolution from two perspectives. First, students learn about the theoretical underpinnings of various dispute resolution methods. Then, through weekly simulations, the students develop the skills actually to perform two forms they will encounter upon graduation—mediation and negotiation. Placing the students in situations in which they could easily find themselves not too long after graduation, the students mediate and negotiate cases. Actually mediating and negotiating forces them to turn theory into practice and rather than talk about it, they do it.

This spring semester, for example, students mediated cases including landlord tenant, domestic relations and business disputes. They negotiated a variety of cases including commercial transactions and personal injury cases. They also had an opportunity to hear from practitioners who volunteered their time to speak on the practical aspects of such topics as labor and medical malpractice arbitration.

The course also focused on many of the issues the ADR movement will require the bar to address. Perhaps one of the more important issues being whether ADR is, as its proponents contend, an idea whose time has come. Whether it is one of the more common forms such as arbitration or negotiation, or it is a more unique process such as conciliation, private Judging (rent a judge), neutral expert fact finding, mini-trial, ombudsman, or a combination of these, proponents cite four advantages ADR has over litigation. ADR is said to:

1. relieve court congestion
2. enhance community involvement in dispute resolution
3. facilitate access to justice
4. provide effective dispute resolution

Well, with all these advantages, when was the last time you used any of these services other than negotiation or perhaps arbitration? Why is it that most community based mediation programs have more people interested in being mediators than they have clients? Why have legislators and bureaucrats, despite all the publicity, moved quietly and slowly?

There are several problems inhibiting the wide spread use of ADR. First, there is a lack of awareness of alternatives. ADR has received lots of publicity, but experience is telling us that the publicity does not really register if the listener does not presently have a dispute.

Absence of institutional structures has also been a problem. When people have a complaint, they don't think about mediation, they think about lawyers, courts, police, union officials and the like. For ADR to have a major impact, it needs to be institutionalized, that is, it has to be available from the places people logically go to resolve disputes. It appears that until institutions such as the court system and lawyers integrate it into their operation, ADR will develop slowly.

This institutionalization is beginning to happen. Several juvenile and domestic relations courts in Virginia, for example, have custody mediation programs that seem to be working well. All over the country there are examples of where an institution, like the attorney general's office, has adopted mediation for disputes that come to it. Massachusetts for example has a program for mediating consumer complaints. Such institutionalization, however, is still in its formative stages.

Other problems inhibiting the growth of ADR include an absence of procedures for assuring professional competence. There is presently little in the way of regulating those who engage in activities such as mediators. Most states, including Virginia, do not license or in any other way control who may set up practice as a mediator. Finally as with most new ideas, there is generally little funding available to establish programs.

Despite the problems it faces, ADR is probably here to stay. It will certainly be in the law school curriculum next year when the course will be taught by Professor James E. Westbrook, visiting from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Professor Westbrook is the James S. Rollins & Earl F. Nelson Professor of Law at Missouri. A nationally recognized expert in ADR, Professor Westbrook will be next year's George E. Allen Distinguished Visiting Professor.
**Faculty Notes**

**Professor Hamilton Bryson** has been appointed to the Advisory Committee on Rules of Court of the Judicial Counsel of Virginia. The Judicial Counsel includes representatives from the Bench, Criminal Bar, Civil Bar, General Assembly as well as the academic community. Representatives are appointed to three year terms by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia. Also, Volume II of *Virginia Circuit Court Opinions*, authored by Hamilton Bryson, has been published.

**Professor Nina R. Murphy** was honored as an Outstanding Woman Attorney in Virginia by the Virginia Women Attorney's Association and the Metropolitan Richmond Women's Bar Association. A reception to recognize the honorees was held at the West Wing of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts on February 14, 1986. Governor Baliles was the keynote speaker.

**Professor Ronald J. Bacigal** has been awarded a Summer Stipend from the National Endowment for the Humanities. In connection with the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution, Professor Bacigal has been authorized to research the history and development of the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution. In another all University of Richmond project, Professor Bacigal and Margaret I. Bacigal have been authorized to write a biography of Judge Robert R. Merhige, Jr.

**Professor Peter N. Swisher** published *Virginia and West Virginia Wrongful Death Actions* (Harrison Co., 1985) last semester. He will co-author a new casebook entitled *Principles of Insurance Law: Cases & Materials*, to be published by Matthew Bender in October, 1986. Professor Swisher is program chairman of The T.C. Williams Spring, 1986 Continuing Legal Education seminar entitled "Liability Insurance Law: Recent Developments and Practice."

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**Admissions**

**Recruiting Report**

*by Ann S. Gibbs, Assistant Dean*

As the National pool of applicants to all law schools has declined during the past years, efforts to recruit highly qualified candidates to The T.C. Williams School of Law have been increased. This year, several professors, Dean Edmonds and Ann Gibbs visited over 90 schools around the country in order to talk with students who are interested in attending The University of Richmond Law School.

An attractive admissions packet containing pictures and information about the Law School has recently been developed to aid in our recruiting efforts. These materials convey the many positive attributes of our campus—the proximity to the City, the feeling of closeness between students and faculty and the aesthetic beauty of the University. These packets have already received many favorable comments from students and recruiters at other institutions.

Two important admissions events also took place this Spring. On March 22, the Law School sponsored its eighth annual Applicant Day. This event allows prospective students to become familiar with programs offered at T.C. Williams. It also affords them the opportunity to meet faculty, students and alumni. This year, Anthony Troy (T.C. Williams '66) was the featured speaker. Our second spring recruiting/admissions event was a Pre-Law Advisors Program held on April 9, 10, 11. Each year several pre-law advisors from various undergraduate institutions visit our campus in order to become better acquainted with the programs offered by the law school. These advisors discuss admissions procedures and other topics which should be useful in counseling their students about T.C. Williams. Opportunities are also made available for meeting with law school faculty, administrators and students.

This year, pre-law advisors from Union College, Lafayette College, Millsaps College and Denison University attended this program. In the past, this event has been instrumental in establishing contact with various undergraduate institutions throughout the country and increasing our recruiting efforts in those areas.

These efforts have had a very positive effect on the number of applicants to our Law School. This year, we have received over 1,000 applications for the 1986 entering class—an increase of approximately 100 applications over last year. The admissions committee has been meeting each week to review these applications and is looking forward to the selection of another outstanding entering class to The T.C. Williams School of Law in 1986.
EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS FOR THE CLASS OF 1985
(as of March 1, 1986)

by Beverly Boone
Placement Director

EMPLOYED

Employed in full time legal jobs ........................................ 117
Employed in full time non-legal jobs .................................... 6
Total Number Employed in Full Time Jobs .............................. 123 (91.8%)

Employed in part time legal jobs ........................................ 3
Employed in part time non-legal jobs .................................... 3
Total Employed in Part Time Jobs ........................................ 6 (4.5%)
TOTAL NUMBER EMPLOYED .............................................. 129 (96.3%)

SEEKING ADVANCED LAW DEGREE .................................... 1 (0.7%)
TOTAL NUMBER EMPLOYED OR SEEKING ADVANCED LAW DEGREE .... 130 (97.0%)

UNEMPLOYED AND NOT SEEKING WORK (i.e. no bar, pregnancy, child rearing, etc.) .... 1 (0.7%)

UNEMPLOYED AND SEEKING WORK ...................................... 3 (2.2%)
TOTAL NUMBER UNEMPLOYED ........................................... 4 (3.0%)

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT STATUS KNOWN .................................. 134 (100%)

Employment Status Known .............................................. 134 (96.4%)
Employment Status Unknown ............................................ 5 (3.6%)

Total Graduates in Class of 1985 ...................................... 139 (100%)

BAR STATUS

Admitted to a state bar .................................................. 122 (87.8%)
Not admitted to a state bar (have not taken bar or have failed) ...... 16 (11.5%)
Bar status unknown ....................................................... 1 (0.7%)

Total Graduates in Class of 1985 ...................................... 139 (100%)

EMPLOYMENT CATEGORIES (of the 129 employed)

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GOVERNMENT
Federal
State
TOTAL GOVERNMENT

and by type of position within federal, state or local government:
Administrative Agency
Judicial clerkship
Military
Prosecution

PUBLIC INTEREST
Legal Services (civil)
Public Defender
Other (environmental group; historic preservation group; and children's agency)
TOTAL PUBLIC INTEREST

JOB CATEGORY NOT IDENTIFIED
TOTAL JOB CATEGORY NOT IDENTIFIED
TOTAL NUMBER OF JOBS BY CATEGORY

Less 2 job categories held by graduates with 2 jobs

TOTAL NUMBER OF GRADUATES EMPLOYED

GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION (of the 129 employed)

VIRGINIA
Northern Virginia (Arlington, Alexandria and Fairfax) 6
Richmond (including Chesterfield and Henrico Counties) 56
Roanoke/Salem 4
Tidewater (Norfolk, Virginia Beach, Suffolk and Chesapeake) 17
Other Virginia locations 21
TOTAL VIRGINIA 104

PENNSYLVANIA 4
MARYLAND 3
NEW JERSEY 3
WASHINGTON, D.C. 2
CONNECTICUT 2
FLORIDA 2
NEW YORK 2
DELWARE 1
HAWAII 1
MASSACHUSETTS 1
TENNESSEE 1
TEXAS 1
TOTAL OUT-OF-STATE 23
LOCATION UNKNOWN (Military) 2
TOTAL NUMBER EMPLOYED 129

Full Time Part Time

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SALARIES – Based on 91 (74%) of the 121 graduates employed in full time positions:

RANGE – $12,000 to $42,000 per year (not including bonuses or percentages)
MEDIAN SALARY – $25,000
MODE SALARY – Tied: $25,000 (7 reporting) and $35,000 (7 reporting)
AVERAGE SALARY – $25,348

CORRECTION
In the December issue of the Newsletter, the following members of the Class of 1985 were omitted from the listing of Judicial Clerkships.

Alice G. Burlinson – Hon. Lawrence L. Koontz, Jr.
Chief Judge
Virginia Court of Appeals
Salem, Virginia

Thomas M. DiBiagio – Hon. Martin B. Greenfeld
Circuit Court for
Baltimore City
Baltimore, Maryland
One of the library staff's primary concerns is to provide quality information services to our patrons. Toward this end, the staff produces three in-house publications which are intended to inform patrons about the library's collection, services and activities: 1) the Selected List of Recent Acquisitions, 2) the Law Library Guide, and 3) the Museletter.

The Selected List of Recent Acquisitions is published quarterly. Each issue is fifteen to twenty pages long and contains a listing of books, journals, and other research materials which have been added to the collection within the last three months. The List is arranged by subject and has a subject index. As a further aid to users, the List includes the call number for each item. Copies of the List are distributed to faculty and to selected law firm and court librarians.

The Law Library Guide is published annually. Due, in part, to donations from alumni and friends, we have been able to improve both the appearance and content of the most recent edition of the Guide. The purpose of this publication is to inform patrons about library services, hours, policies, and professional staff. In addition, it provides floor plans and a location guide to frequently used materials. The current edition summarizes all of this information in a handy twenty-page booklet with an attractive burgundy cover. A copy of the Guide is distributed to each faculty member as well as to each member of the entering first year class.

The Museletter is a monthly newsletter published primarily for the information of students. It is meant to address the students' ongoing concerns about library operations and services and to highlight new developments which might not otherwise come to the students' attention. It contains a "Question & Answer" column which prints frequently asked research questions and their solutions. The newsletter also contains reports on current events such as microcomputer access. And finally, the newsletter contains short reviews of books in our collection which are not required reading in any courses, but which would enrich a student's understanding of the law and its social, historical, or cultural implications.

Copies of all of these publications are available to anyone who uses our library. The Museletter and the Selected List of Recent Acquisitions are placed on the Circulation Desk for interested students and visitors to pick up. The Law Library Guide is available on request from a librarian.
Law Fund Update

As of April 30, 1986, the Law School has received outright gifts and payments on pledges totalling $160,137.00 with participation at 45%. Unpaid pledges total $47,205.00. The Law School Annual Fund goal, which includes law alumni gifts, firm/corporate gifts, corporate matching gifts and gifts from associates, is $190,000.00. Approximately $115,000.00 of this overall goal is sought from law alumni.

The third Law School telethon was held on November 24, 1985 and produced 157 pledges totalling $8,745.00. During the fourth telethon, held January 19, 1986, the Law School received 152 pledges totalling $5,010.00 The fifth telethon was held on February 27, 1986, and callers received 120 pledges totalling $4,150.00. The final telethon of the 1985/86 campaign, held on May 8, 1986 raised $1,480.00, with 36 pledges. Special thanks should be given to the following alumni who participated as callers at these telethons: Sara Myers, L78, Dave Nagle, L81, Susan Pierce, L80, Mike Ballato, L80, Rob Spicer, L84, Marshall Tuck, L67, Pia Trigiani, L83, Carol Wingo, L83, Peter Eliades, L84, Ricky Wallerstein, L83, Leah Darron Wallerstein, L84, Will Seymour, L82, Phil Hart, L81, Matt Mattox, L77, David Hagy, L84, Francis Fenderson, L67, Rhonda Wilson, L87, Ray Byrd, L87, Dan Lynch, L87, Greg Hooe, L80, Louise Boggs, L80, Michele Andrea, L84, Ken Grigg, L82, Archie Yeatts, L67, Frank Cowan, L62, Tom Newton, L60, Lynne Blain, L84 and Stuart Blain, L82 and Bill Walsh, L77, telethon co-chairs.

The Law School Class Agent Program, headed by Sara Myers, L78, and Bill Julias, L60, now includes 87 class agents. In March, the Class Agents began making personalized appeals to their classmates for support of the Law School's fund-raising efforts. The Class Agents assembled on January 19, 1986 for a meeting and reception to kick-off their phase of the Law School Annual Fund.

The Firm Scholarship Program was given special emphasis beginning in December and January, with presentations to prospects by Dean Edmonds and Louis Stoneburner, L76, Vince Mastracco, L61, Bill Thomas, L63 and Rabbit Moore, L61. The 1985/86 additions to the Firm Scholarship Program are: Axselle, Hundley & Harris, P.C., Richmond; Byrd, Dinsmore, Evans & Bryant, Ltd., Virginia Beach; Lewis, Mitchell & Moore, Vienna; Moss, Sizemore & Callahan, Norfolk; Mustian, Parker & Carpenter, Richmond; Parvin & Wilson, P.C., Roanoke; Pretlow, Eason & Pretlow, Suffolk;


Tom Newton, L60 (left) & Jim Kaufman, L62, Class Agents.

Bill Walsh, L77, telethon co-chair

Archie Yeatts, L87

Marshall Tuck, L67

Rob Spicer, L84 completes a successful call during recent telethon.
Class Agent Roster

The following alumni have agreed to serve as class agents as T.C. Williams Law Fund strives to maintain record alumni participation:

Law '51
Leslie D. Campbell, Jr.
F. Elmore Butler

Law '52
Elmer J. Nochta

Law '53
Carle E. Davis

Law '56
John W. Edmonds, III

Law '58
Gerald Press

Law '59
Thomas Stark, III

Law '60
Thomas L. Newton, Jr.

Law '61
Hugh Campbell
Douglas W. Conner

Law '62
A. James Kauffman

Law '63
N. Leslie Saunders, Jr.
Conrad C. Lewane
William G. Boice

Law '64
Boyd F. Collier
Reginald P. Morris
James D. Davis

Law '65
J. Edward Betts

Law '66
Walter F. Witt, Jr.
Anthony F. Troy

Law '67
E. Olen Culler
W. Marshall Tuck

Law '68
W. Birch Douglass, III
Patrick M. McSweeney
Howard Marley
Reginald N. Jones

Law '69
D. Patrick Lacy, Jr.
C. Allen Riggins

Law '70
Jeffrey A. Oppleman

Law '71
Allan W. Smith

Law '72
Edward D. Barnes
Charles F. Witthofft

Law '73
John Lewis Knight
Sterling H. Moore
David Shaw Whitacre

Law '74
William D. Bayliss
George W. Rowe
W. Richard Kay, Jr.

Law '75
Terrence Raymond Batzli
Gary Spahn
C. Felix Cross, III
John G. Colan

Law '77
Richard Cullen
James Fenton Stutts
P. A. Sargent

Law '78
Roy M. Terry
Ronald E. Kuykendall
Eric M. Page
Alexandra D. Coleman
Sara Redding Myers

Law '79
Thomas F. Eubank

Law '80
Louise C. Boggs

Law '81
William F. Gallalee
Gail D. Jaspen
Herbert A. Claiborne, III
Barrett E. Pope
Barbara M. Rose
Barbara H. Vann

Law '82
Jeffrey L. Everhart
Cynthia V. Bailey
Michelle M. Halasz
Jon A. Mueller

James A. Lofton
Gary T. Piacentini

Law '83
Mary M. Kellam
Lucia Anna Trigiani
Richard S. Wallerstein, Jr.
Torrence Himnant Harman
Kimberly Smither Wright
Rebecca W. West

Law '84
Mark M. Esposito
Peter D. Eliades
Siran R. Seropian
Carrie L. Camp
John D. Faulders
Alice T. Meadows
Martha Denise Melton

Law '85
Teri S. Lovelace
John T. Tucker, III
Richard T. McGrath
Michael J. Kelly
James L. Windsor
Thomas A. Gustin
Michele A. Wood
Jean M. D'Ovidio
Eleanor S. Weston
Marvin S. Swift, Jr.
Kimberly B. O'Donnell

Merhige Center Update

The University of Richmond has recently begun a campaign to raise $150,000 in matching funds to establish and permanently endow the Robert R. Merhige, Jr., Center for Environmental Studies at The T.C. Williams School of Law. The funds will be raised over a three year period and used to match a challenge grant from the Virginia Environmental Endowment. The first matching period ended March 31, 1986.

The income from this restricted endowment will be used to bring to campus each year one or more recognized lawyers, judges or law professors who are experts in environmental law for public lectures. In addition, the Center will sponsor panel discussions and debates on major environmental issues in Virginia, provide grants for environmental research, and finance additions to the environmental law collection of the University's law library.

Since no other law school in the mid-Atlantic region of the United States has a major emphasis on environmental law, the establishment of the Merhige Center will make T.C. Williams a focal point in this section of the country for discussion and research regarding significant environmental law issues.

During the first matching period, $52,965.00 was received from alumni, law firms, corporations, foundations and friends of Judge Merhige. This sum included $32,365.00 in outright gifts and $20,600.00 in pledge payments. In addition, $23,100.00 has been received in pledges to be paid during the next two matching periods.

Information regarding the Merhige Center and/or the fund-raising efforts of the Center may be obtained by contacting Dean Thomas A. Edmonds at the Law School or Kim Bram, Director of Alumni and Development for The T.C. Williams School of Law, 804-289-8029.
Hooding Ceremony

The 1986 Hooding Ceremony was held on May 11, 1986 in Camp Theater. The Hooding Ceremony is a special event held just for law students and their families and takes place prior to the graduation exercises. The following awards were presented:

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<td>The Charles T. Norman Award</td>
<td>Selected by the faculty as the best all around graduate</td>
<td>Benjamin F. Harmon, IV</td>
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<td>J. Westwood Smithers Medal</td>
<td>Awarded to graduate with the highest cumulative average at the end of six semesters.</td>
<td>Marguerite R. Ruby</td>
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<td>Corpus Juris Secundum Student Award</td>
<td>Awarded to the student in the third year class who has made the most significant contribution to overall legal scholarship.</td>
<td>Marguerite R. Ruby</td>
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<td>The Edward W. Hudgins Memorial Scholarship Award for Character and Leadership</td>
<td>Established in 1976 by Edward W. Hudgins in memory of his father, an alumnus of the law school, and Trustee of the University of Richmond, who was Chief Justice of the Virginia Supreme Court, 1957-1958.</td>
<td>Theodore E. Adams, III</td>
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<td>Award of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers</td>
<td>For the student who has displayed outstanding advocacy skills in trial advocacy courses.</td>
<td>James C. Cosby</td>
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<td>Virginia Trial Lawyers Association</td>
<td>For the student who has excelled in demonstrating the talents and attributes of the trial advocate.</td>
<td>William C. Bischoff</td>
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<td>Order of the Barrister</td>
<td>Established for those displaying excellence in advocacy, either through participating on the National Moot Court teams or as Chairs of the Moot Court Board.</td>
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Latin Honors Students attaining designated cumulative grade point averages are graduated with honors.

New SBA Officers Elected

by Gertrude LeCointe, L'86

T. C. Williams students recently elected a new president with a lot of old experience to lead the Student Bar Association (SBA) for the 1986-1987 school year.

SBA President Cheryl Outten will be aided by Vice-President Carl Schwartz (L-2), Secretary Ron Herbert (L-1) and Treasurer Jay Leftwich (L-1).

Outten, who has been a first-year representative and the second-year representative, said her “biggest goal” for the coming year is to increase law student awareness of the SBA.

According to Outten, the SBA also will tackle the issue of a separate graduation ceremony for law students. “It seems disrespectful to make law students go last during the graduation ceremony.”

If a separate graduation ceremony is not feasible, the alternative would be to allow the law students to go first and to make the ceremony equally geared towards both the undergraduate and the law students, Outten said.

Another goal of the SBA is the renovation of the DownUnder. Outten feels the booths could be replaced by tables and chairs and perhaps office space could be provided for the SBA. Plans for the DownUnder renovations are already underway, she added.

Lastly, the new SBA will try to encourage more cohesion among its standing committees for efficiency purposes. Already, the SBA has invited non-SBA groups, such as the Black American Law Students Association (BALSAs) and Women in the Law, to become SBA Standing Committees.

Magna Cum Laude: Marguerite R. Ruby
Judge Weinstein Delivers 2nd Annual Emroch Lecture

The Honorable Jack B. Weinstein, Chief Judge of the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, delivered the second annual Emanuel Emroch lecture on April 3, 1986. Judge Weinstein, who heard the complex Agent Orange litigation, discussed the use of experts in modern litigation.

In determining the admissibility of expert testimony, Judge Weinstein discussed the movement away from the restrictive approach established in Frye v. United States towards the balancing approach developed after the adoption of the Federal Rules of Evidence. While advocating adoption of the Federal Rules by the states, Judge Weinstein acknowledged that the Federal Rules produced their own problems, some more difficult than those solved.

Judge Weinstein stated that the new balancing test has led to the admission of "quasi-expert" opinions and a blurring of the line between expert and lay testimony. Judge Weinstein expressed concern over possible excesses in the use of expert witnesses and mentioned several procedural steps taken by some courts to control expert testimony. Among these are joint pretrial meetings between expert witnesses and the judge, pretrial identification of experts and summaries of their expected testimony, requiring parties to provide a glossary of terms to be used by the expert, and in limine rulings to provide pretrial directions to the parties.

The use of state licensing and ethical standards to curb abuse was also discussed by Judge Weinstein, who called for state discipline of a licensed expert who gives an unprofessional opinion under oath.

In an innovative attempt to address the problem of equalization of access by poor persons to experts, Judge Weinstein has established The Eastern District Litigation Fund in his own court. The fund provides funds to cover the expenses incurred by pro bono attorneys representing indigents who need expert testimony. In addition to this assistance, Judge Weinstein called for voluntary panels of experts in various fields to meet the needs of the indigent litigant.

Judge Weinstein spoke seriously about the enormous responsibility resting with judges today in determining when, how and what expert testimony to allow. He expressed concern with placing more discretion in an unlearned court, while recognizing the need for judges to express the court's view forcefully to guide juries. Along these same lines, Judge Weinstein stressed the importance of self-education by judges with the assistance of the parties in non-jury trials. As examples, he cited the self-education efforts by Judge Finesilver in the swine flu cases and Judge Merhige in the Westinghouse-Uranium litigation.

In closing, Judge Weinstein affirmed the need for admission of reliable, helpful and comprehensive expert testimony as essential in modern litigation.

Judge Weinstein's lecture was followed by a reception in Sarah Brunet Memorial Hall, sponsored by the Legal Forum.

The Emanuel Emroch Lecture Series was created at the University's T.C. Williams School of Law in 1984, and Harvard Law School Professor Arthur Miller delivered the first annual lecture in 1985. The Emroch Lecture Series was made possible by an initial endowment gift of $25,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Emroch, their son, Walter, and friends. Mr. Emanuel Emroch is a prominent Richmond trial attorney, who received both his undergraduate and law degrees from the University.


**Law School’s Youth Advocacy Clinic Reports Active Year**

The Youth Advocacy Clinic of The T.C. Williams School of Law through a Virginia Law Foundation Grant has recently offered to the practicing bar two Continuing Legal Education Seminars. The first seminar was held February 28, 1986, in the Sarah Brunet Memorial Hall, here on the University campus. It was attended by ninety professionals in law or education. The topics covered were relevant to the theme; meeting the needs of the handicapped child through special education. Speakers addressed the relevant law, educational testing procedures, the Due Process Hearing, and an update on current legal issues in special education.

The second seminar was held on April 18, 1986, also in the Sarah Brunet Memorial Hall. This seminar entitled “Youth Law – An Advocate’s Guide to Representing the Juvenile”, covered such topics as juvenile delinquency, custody litigation, psychological issues of the child, foster care and termination of parental rights, and child abuse and neglect. Both seminars began at 8:30 and ended at 3:30, included lunch, an especially prepared text, and charged a fee for attendance of $25.00.

The Youth Advocacy Clinic plans to continue offering Continuing Legal Education Seminars in the future and hopefully will offer CLE credits to participants.

The Youth Advocacy Clinic is a clinical course available to the law students of The T.C. Williams School of Law which offers to students considerable practical experience in representation of juveniles. Presently the Clinic acts as Court Appointed Counsel in indigent cases for the City of Richmond, and Henrico, Chesterfield, and Hanover Counties. During the recent academic year fourteen Third-year Practice Students participated in this program.

The Youth Advocacy Clinic is also available to Governmental Agencies and the practicing private bar as a resource for research and legal writing for impact cases involving juvenile law issues.

For further information or assistance please contact Donald H. Stone, Staff Attorney/Instructor, (804) 289-8205.

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**Law Weekend Tentative Schedule**

Friday, November 7, 1986

- **BARNETT MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**
  
  Tee Time at 9:30 a.m. at The Crossings Golf Course, Glen Allen, Virginia.
  Cost: $25.00 per alumni golfer, $20.00 per law student golfer; includes green fees and cart rental.

- **J. WESTWOOD SMITHERS MEMORIAL TENNIS TOURNAMENT**
  
  Doubles Round Robin, beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Richmond College Courts.
  Cost: $5.00 per player; includes balls and refreshments.

- **ANNUAL FALL GATHERING**
  
  Annual Gathering of alumni, faculty and students to renew acquaintances and meet persons associated with our Law School. 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (last call at 7:00 p.m.) at the Jefferson Hotel.

- **CLASS REUNIONS**

Saturday, November 8, 1986

- **BUSINESS MEETING AND BRUNCH**
  
  10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Alumni Hall Board Room. The annual business meeting of the Law School Association will be followed by a Bloody Mary Brunch.

- **FOOTBALL GAME**
  
  U.R. vs. V.P.I. Cost: $10.00 per ticket. Tickets will be mailed to you up to October 28, 1986. After that date they may be picked up at the registration desk.

- **POST GAME BARBECUE**
  
  4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. – Sponsored by the Student Bar Association, the Barbecue will be held in the Alumni Hall Reception Room.

- **CLASS REUNIONS**
Third Year Reception

The Third Year Reception, an annual event sponsored by the Law School Association, was held on March 19, 1986 in the reception room of Sarah Brunet Memorial Hall. The reception is held to honor graduating third year students and to welcome them as the newest T.C. Williams alumni. The third year students were greeted by Reggie Jones, L68, President of the Law School Association, and each member of the Law School Association Board was introduced.

The Third Year Reception is made possible by the contributions of Dave Jones & Associates, Ltd., Appellate Printing Service and Real Title Co.

American Law Network Satellite Programs

The T.C. Williams School of Law and the Virginia Law Foundation are co-sponsoring approximately 25 programs of Continuing Legal Education each year. The bi-monthly programs are presented live by American Law Network satellite (COMSAT) telecasts. The Institute for Business and Community Development coordinates the programs in its facilities at Sarah Brunet Memorial Hall.

The four-hour programs from Washington, D.C. are presented by distinguished panels with expertise in their respective fields. Participants can question the panel via direct telephone connections.

The fee per program is $120.00. For all registrations and further program details, call Mr. Kent Sinclair, Continuing Legal Education Office, University of Virginia, (804) 924-3416; Toni Blanton, 289-8011, is the on-campus contact and coordinator.
Class Notes

1932
David R. Levin is still practicing and doing well. He notes, "R. E. Cherry and H. Branch Wood - schoolmates - a pleasure."  

1936
J. Marker Dern has been practicing law now for almost 50 years! His daughter, Susan M. Dern, a graduate of Washington & Lee Law School, is his associate.  

1937
J. Lewis Ames was elected "Trustee Emeritus of Randolph-Macon College on July 1, 1985 after 30 years service as a Trustee.

1946

1948
Robert E. Gibson advises that his wife, Margaret E. Gibson, passed away on November 7, 1985. She and Judge Gibson were married January 9, 1945. She is survived by nieces and nephews, one sister and her mother; Mrs. Charles McHomev.

1950
Cabell F. Cobbs was elected Grand Senior Deacon of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Virginia in February, 1985. He will serve as Grand Master of Masons in Virginia in February, 1986. Presently, he is a partner in the Chesapeake Council, Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce, Real Estate Resources, Inc., specializing in the management and syndication of distressed real estate for financial institutions.

1956
The Chesapeake Council, Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce awarded their highest award, the 1986 Commendation Award, to Judge E. Preston Grissom of the Chesapeake Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court.

1964
Edward H. Bryant, Jr. has formed a new business, Real Estate Resources, Inc., specializing in the management and syndication of distressed real estate for financial institutions.

1967
J. Maston Davis - new daughter born on December 15, 1984, Channing Noel Davis.

1969
Grayson M. Sandy recently went into private practice of law again, this time concentrating on the management and syndication of distressed real estate for financial institutions. More recently, he and his associate have opened a new law office in the Pueblo Neuvo complex at 301 E. Bethany Home Road, Suite A-209, Phoenix, Arizona 85012.

1968
Charles A. Hartz, Jr. has been appointed Assistant General Counsel of Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company effective January 1, 1986. He previously served as General Attorney.

1972
Stephen C. Harris withdrew from the partnership of Harris & Ely effective November 1, 1985 and now has his own private practice in Louisa, Virginia.

1973
Frank T. McCormick has joined the Richmond branch office of Lawyers Title Insurance Corporation as manager. Prior to joining Lawyers Title, McCormick was engaged in private law practice in the Richmond area.

1974
Ronald Edward Kuykendall and his wife, Julie, are proud to announce the birth of their second daughter, Laura Anne, on October 4, 1985.

1975
Paul B. Cromelin, III was recently made a partner in the Washington, D.C. law firm of Craighill, Mayfield & McCally. Where he specializes in estate planning and probate.

1976
Wayne and Lori Halbleib, L81, are hap-
Robert L. Samuel, Jr. has joined the law firm of Sourell, Dalton, Hughes and Timms, Litigation Division.

1980

Stephen J. Cannella and his wife, Mary Curtis, are pleased to announce the birth of a beautiful baby girl. Tori was born on October 4, 1985 weighing 7 lbs. 12 oz. and is a bundle of joy.

Michael S. Irvine was elected Commonwealth’s Attorney for the City of Buena Vista in the November 1985 election.

Roger L. Williams has been named a director in the law firm of Sands, Anderson, Marks & Miller in Richmond, Virginia.

1981

Marjorie V. Bender and her husband, Richard H. Moore, M.D., announce the arrival of their second child Virginia Bender Moore on August 16, 1985 in Bedford, Virginia. 

P. Dawn Bishop was married on July 7, 1985 to William Potter Bootwright.

Mary G. Commander joined the firm of Goldblatt, Lipkin, Cohen, Anderson, Jenkins & Legum, with offices located in the Rotunda Building in Norfolk, Virginia.

Barbara A. Dalvano has left the Office of Chief Counsel of the Internal Revenue Service and is currently associated with the Philadelphia law firm of Drinker, Biddle & Reath and is finishing her J.L.M. in Tax at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.

Pat and Vicki Devine have a baby boy, Patrick C. Devine III, born in July, 1985.

Paul V. Hamilton and his wife Mary recently added a set of twins, Paul & Frederick, to the family. Paul has been in private practice in Chesterfield County since graduation.

India Early Keith and Greg, have a new son, Graeme McGregor Keith, III, born October 7, 1985. He weighed 6 lb. 14 oz. and was 19½ inches long.

Lt. Michael P. Rummel took over as the Assistant Command Judge Advocate on board the USS Carl Vinson (CVN-70) on September 20, 1985. Homeport is Alameda, CA.

Karen Swisher has recently been appointed as Director of Corporate Development and Resident Counsel at The Retreat Hospital, Richmond, Virginia.

Robert Whitt opened his own practice at 410 Patton Street, Suite B, Danville, VA 24541 on November 1, 1985. He is currently serving as Treasurer of the Danville Bar Association and is on the Legal Services to the Community Committee for the Virginia State Bar.

1982

E. Jane Anderson started working as Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney in Norfolk and is enjoying it a lot.

W. Hand Cook has just become a member of the Mechanicsville law firm of Martin & Evans, PC. He is also serving as Liaison Officer for the County of Spotsylvania.

Richard G. Diamonstein has joined Paramount Industrial Cos., Inc. in Norfolk as General Counsel and Assistant Comptroller.

Raphael E. Ferris married Terri Thomas of Youngstown, Ohio in October, 1984. Raphael is a Senior Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney for the City of Roanoke and Terri is a freelance court reporter.


Joseph W. H. Mott and Susan C. Proc-
Steven L. Higgs left the Virginia Real Estate Commission in April, 1985 to enter private practice with Wetherington & Melchionna in Roanoke.

Thomas J. McNally is married to Colleen Kelly McNally, B-School, ’78. They live in Richmond and Tom works as Assistant Commonwealth’s Attorney for the City of Richmond.

Thomas Tukadian is presently employed as law clerk to the Honorable Donald Paul Dietrich, United States Magistrate, Middle District of Florida, Orlando Division.

1984

Patrick J. Kiernan and his wife, Michelle, announce the birth of their first child, a boy, Scott Patrick, 8½ lbs., on December 13, 1985.

Robert M. Marshall has passed the New York and New Jersey Bar Exams. He is presently employed as Associate Counsel in the Legal and Compliance Department of Securities Settlement Corporation, a New York Stock Exchange Member Firm.

George A. Neskis is an Assistant Commonwealth Attorney for the City of Norfolk.

Kevin and Michelle Rack, ’85, were married in Virginia Beach on June 29, 1985. Kevin is a prosecutor in the Judge Advocate General’s Corps stationed at the Naval Legal Service Office, Norfolk, Virginia. Michelle is associated with the Virginia Beach firm of Heilig, McKenry & Fraim.

Anita Scheider has been employed since June 1985 at Hunton & Williams.

1985

Kevin L. Hubbard married Melissa S. Moring in November and is now an associate with Bryan & Zydron, Attorneys in Chesapeake, VA.

Joan E. Putney graduated from NYU’s Masters of Tax Law Program in June, 1986, and will join Berkowitz, Lefkovits, Isom and Kushner in Birmingham, AL, as an associate.

Victoria Shelton is presently a LJG in the Judge Advocate General’s Corps of the U.S. Navy and stationed at the Naval Legal Service Office in Norfolk, VA.

Francis E. Telegadas will be joining the Richmond Office of Seawell, Dalton, Hughes & Timms in late summer or early fall.

Michael O. Wells has joined the firm of Wells & Paris, PC, of Richmond, VA.

Eleanor S. Weston recently returned home to Hampton, VA, and is a tax associate at the accounting firm of Eason, Lawson & Westphal.

The above information submitted to the Law School Alumni Office prior to Mar. 1, 1986.

Lost Alumni Listing

We have been unable to locate the alumni listed below. If you know the home or business address of any of the individuals listed below, please notify the Law School Alumni Office at 1-804-289-8028 so that we may bring our records up to date.

George C. Richwine – 1921
Owen S. Livos – 1925
The Hon. Llewelyn S. Richardson – 1927
The Hon. Max O. Laster – 1935
Francisco A. Gil – 1941
Eugene Otto Retter – 1946
D. J. Travers – 1949
C. T. Cunningham, Jr. – 1953
Charles E. Stuart, Jr. – 1957
Arpad G. Czintos – 1960
Bruce F. Lipes – 1962
Joseph R. Walker – 1962
Gerals Rubinger – 1963
Stephen D. Proctor – 1965
James L. Guill – 1966
Kenneth R. Klaffky – 1966
J. Rolfe Griffin – 1967
Demetrie J. Liatos – 1967
John M. McCarthy – 1968
R. Rupert Winfree – 1970
Eric L. Cummings – 1971
John J. Ambler, Jr. – 1972
James Q. Kornegay, Jr. – 1973
John Charles Morrison – 1973
James R. Ennis – 1974
J. Peter Williamson – 1974
Rebecca Jones Bryant – 1975
Michael A. Mays – 1975
Dennis J. McLaughlin – 1975
William D. Teveri – 1975
John G. Warthen – 1975
Andrew A. Jaxa-Debicki – 1976
A. Gary Smith – 1976
David R. Stapleton – 1976
Maj. Peter E. Brownback, Ill – 1977
Robert C. Jones – 1977
Robert John Kelly – 1977
Philip Trumpeter – 1977
Paul K. Campsen – 1978
James E. Gray – 1978
Jack C. Mardoian – 1978
Douglas P. Romaine – 1978
Henri A. Thompson – 1978
Emily M. Trappnell – 1978
Evan L. Habermann – 1979
John A. Phillips – 1979
Juan A. Riecke-Hoff-Gonzalez – 1979
Neil R. Saiger – 1979
Catherine Power Tett – 1979
Donald G. Gleasner – 1980
Richard A. Davis – 1981
Warren H. Jones – 1981
Rebecca A. Rowden – 1981
Martha K. Renick – 1982