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# DIBLIC FALL 2003 THE ALUMNI NEWSLETTER OF LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL – LOS ANGELES

## The Road Taken is a Political Path

### Loyola Law School Alumni Working for the Common Good

With the topsy-turvy California governor recall election still a recent memory, and next fall's presidential election just around the corner, it is but appropriate the Public Record reflect upon Loyola Law School's own

notable alumni who have used their juris doctor to serve the public as elected political officials.

Among the graduates who have thrown their hat into the political ring are two classmates from 1971 who governed their respective states during the 1990s: the Honorable Benjamin J. Cayetano '71 (Hawaii) and the Honorable Robert J. Miller '71 (Nevada). The late Senator Ralph

C. Dills '46 holds the record as the longest-serving California State assembly person. Dills, who sponsored legislation creating Long Beach State University and El Camino College, was first elected to the Assembly in 1938 as a Roosevelt New Dealer. The political career of Senator Robert G. Beverly '51, retired, has spanned 40 years. Beverly rose from city councilman to California State assemblyman (Republican floor leader), and then to California State senator; he is personally responsible for authoring 427 laws. Senator Kevin G. Murray '87, once a successful music agent at the William Morris Agency, left the music business to serve two terms in the California State Assembly. Murray was later elected to represent the 26th Senatorial District. When he first told people in the Legislature that he had a law degree, he noticed, "people started to look at me differently." Like the music industry, politics has a similar feel. "Once you're past the glamour, the hustling begins."

Loyola's more recent graduates who have selected careers in government are Councilman Nick Pacheco '94, who formerly served on the Los Angeles City Council for District 14. Eric Perrodin '94, who served as a deputy district attorney, was elected mayor of Compton in 2001, and remains in office. Samuel K. Kiang '88 is the former mayor of Monterey Park.

A few graduates took on political careers before they finished their juris doctor.

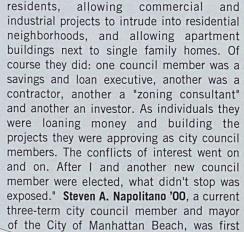
Thomas Keiser '76 was a first year Loyola Law School student, and possibly the youngest person (at age 22) to have ever been elected to the El Monte City Council, in 1974. Keiser was re-elected in 1978 and in 1982, and was the first directly elected mayor of El Monte. He comments on why he ran for public office stating, "Over the years, growing up in El Monte, I could read the newspaper articles about city council actions: approving building projects over the objection of

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elected in 1992 at the age of 26. He was the youngest city council member ever to be elected in Manhattan Beach at the time. Napolitano successfully ran for his second term while attending his first year at Loyola, and was reelected to a third term in 2001. He has also served as president of the Independent Cities Association which represents 54 cities and over 7 million people in Southern California. "I ran for city council

to make a difference in the city I've lived my entire life, and to give a voice to people that weren't being heard. Eleven years later, I'm still fighting to make a difference without ever forgetting that I work for the residents of Manhattan Beach."

Loyola's politically strong alumni are not only men. Alumnae, too, are making a difference. Council Member Cathryn DeYoung '81 is a long-time resident of Laguna Niguel. After serving on several local and regional boards, commissions and committees, DeYoung was elected to the Laguna Niguel City Council in 1998. During 2001, DeYoung served as mayor of the City

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of Laguna Niguel. Commenting on her current obligations and public service views, DeYoung states, "I have been on the city council for five years and currently am on the Orange County Transportation Authority Board (OCTA). As a member of OCTA, I help plan for the future of transportation in Orange County, which is exciting, challenging and worthwhile. **Martha (Marti) J. Blum '79** serves as mayor of Santa Barbara. Blum was elected to the Santa Barbara City Council in the mid-1990s. She was elected mayor in 2001, and will serve until 2006.

Working on the national political front has been Jay K. Footlik '94, who served former President Bill Clinton as Israel advisor. Anthony (Tony) D. Blankley '72 served as a

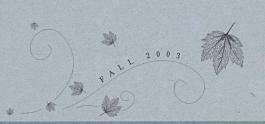
Richard L. Hasen, Professor of Law and William M. Rains Fellow – and author of THE SUPREME COURT AND ELECTION LAW: JUDGING EQUALITY FROM BAKER V. CARR TO BUSH V. GORE (NYU Press 2003) – recently shared his views on the governor recall election with the *Public Record*.



## Alumni Association Board of Governors – Making a Difference

"This is an exciting time for the Board of Governors" explains Jeleen Guttenberg '96, president of the Board of Governors. The Board is the governing body of our more than 12,000-member Alumni Association, and is indeed in the midst of a transformation begun over the past few years under the leadership of Karen Rinehart '96 and the Honorable John V. Meigs '78. The Board launched and funded new programs to further its mission of supporting the law school, students and alumni. "The level of deputy attorney general of California prior to going to Washington and working for President Ronald Reagan as a speech-writer and senior policy analyst. While he is not an elected official, Blankley has also served as press secretary general advisor to former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, and nowadays, is the editorial page editor for the Washington Times. Phillip D. Brady '76 served in the White House as assistant to President George Bush, senior, and as staff secretary -prior to that, he worked in the U.S. Department of Transportation, as general counsel. Brady's prior governmental service also includes appointments in the U.S. Department of Justice and with the U.S. Congress.

Not all Loyola Law School alumni may necessarily elect to follow the traditional route of becoming an attorney. They just might find themselves emulating the aforementioned alums in following a political path. This side road -- paved with dedication to community -- might be a less traveled byway, but one that will make all the difference to society.



"If the unprecedented gubernatorial recall proved one thing, it is that urgent election law reform is needed and needed now. We saw 20 lawsuits filed before the recall even occurred over many of the ambiguities and inconsistencies in California's recall laws. This should be no surprise: many of the laws were 90 years old and never used. The recall litigation is part of a disturbing trend of election law litigation as political strategy, something that we saw in the 2000 presidential election controversy and in subsequent controversies in New Jersey, Minnesota, and now California. The clearer we can make our election laws outside the context of litigation, the healthier our democracy will be. Let us hope that legislatures clear up some of the mess -- and replace some antiquated voting technology -before the 2004 presidential election."

dedication and service to the law school put forth by each of the 32 members of our Board is so impressive, but then, they are, after all Loyola alums. This is a Board of which we can all be proud," says Guttenberg.

The overall thrust of the Board is to serve alumni. The Board's support of the law school and students helps to enhance the reputation of the law school and, consequently, the credentials of all alumni. In addition, the Board, together with the Alumni Relations Office, works to provide a variety of events where Loyola alumni can gather for personal and professional growth. Guttenberg notes, "I encourage all alumni to remain or become active members of the alumni association. With our active and energetic Board, we are always in search of new events or other ways in which we can better serve our alumni community. We welcome any suggestion or involvement from any alum." Contact information for the Board is posted at http://alumni.lls.edu/contact/bog.html.

This year, the Board established a new committee with funds to provide financial assistance on a confidential basis to students confronted with extreme financial hardships. This committee has also designated funding for worthy student community service programs and other student-run projects.

The Board, working hand-in-hand with the Alumni Relations Office, also organizes and supports the mentoring program. So far this year, there are over 100 pairs of students and alumni who are involved in the program. As part of the program, during reading week each semester, the Board provides student mentees with motivational "goody bags" containing items such as candy, a gift certificate to the campus coffee cart and cookies with a note wishing them success with final exams.

Throughout the history of the Board, much of its effort has been expended in putting on the annual Grand Reunion. This is the largest annual event for alumni. The sole purpose of the Grand Reunion is to bring the Loyola community of alumni, students, faculty and supporters together to celebrate the law school and the tremendous community that has grown up around and through it. The Board strives to keep the ticket prices to this event reasonable so that everyone who wants to attend can do so. The Board is grateful to the law firms and other sponsors of this event for helping to achieve this goal.

Finally, the Board supports the Annual Bob Cooney Golf tournament – a fundraiser for the Cancer Legal Resource Center, a joint program of Loyola Law School and the Western Law Center for Disability Rights. *continued on pg. 5* 

# Nominations Needed for Board of Governors Recognition Awards:

The Loyola Law School Board of Governors is accepting nominations for its "Recognition Awards," which will be bestowed on honorees at a private reception preceding the annual Grand Reunion. The purpose of these awards is to recognize outstanding service to the Law School community, the legal profession and the community at large. Loyola Law School alumni, faculty and friends are eligible for awards for service to the Law School (including activities that enhance the image of the Law School, mentoring Loyola law students and recent Loyola graduates, leadership in outreach to students and alumni and other service or

support to the Law School), for service to the legal profession

(including activities that improve the image of lawyers, bar association activity and other service), and for **service to the community at large** (including non-profit and publicsector and other contributions to society.) Service that is deserving of recognition is as varied as our alumni and friends.

The Board of Governors is proud to have initiated these awards in 1997, and even more proud of having honored the following past award recipients: If you know of anyone you think should be considered for such an award (including yourself), please complete the nomination form below and return it to:

Carmen Ramirez Director of Alumni Relations Loyola Law School 919 S. Albany Street Los Angeles, CA 90015 or fax to 213.384.1659

You may also complete and submit this form at http://alumni.lls.edu.

#### 1997

George R. Barlos '91 Charles L. Bleck, Jr. '72 Hon. Richard A. Honn '78 Ricardo A. Torres II '92 Ann V. Whyte '69

#### 1998

Hon. Carl F. Bryan II '73 Marta J. Burg '91 Alfred Jenkins '76 Dinah I. Perez '95 Prof. Joseph V. Sliskovich '78 Robert Sulnick

1999

Robert W. Murray, Jr. '91 Mark J. Spalding '86 Grace K. Tevis Maria C. Vargas-Rodriguez '73 Maria D. Villa '86

#### 2000

Angela Hawekotte '79 Patricia Diaz Dennis '73 L. Hunter Lovins '75 John P. McNicholas '62 Kathryn E. Van Houten '89

#### 2001

Prof. Therese Maynard Hon. Beverly E. Mosley '78 Hon. Geraldine Mund '77 Lloyd W. Pellman '72

#### 2002

Adrienne M. Byers '89 Prof. William C. Hobbs John P. Miller '70 Hon. Richard Montes '67 David J. Pasternak '76

#### 2003

Chris Armenta '94 Assoc. Dean, Robert Cooney (ret.) Brian C. Nutt '83 Patricia Phillips '67

2004 Now accepting nominations

Nomination for Board of Governors Recognition Award

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The nominee is a Loyola Law School: 
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I submit the following information and details supporting my nomination of the above named individual. (If you need more space, please feel free to submit an attachment with this nomination form.)

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I may be reached at (\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ for further information regarding my nominee.

(Signature)



Since the last issue of the *Public Record*, alumni and friends have gathered at several regional and out-of-state events. These events allow alumni to catch-up with old friends, make new acquaintances, network, and reminisce about their law school experiences while at Loyola. Alumni representing classes from the late 1930s to 2003 attended many of these events. Attendance at events varies from small gatherings of 20 to gatherings of more than 100.

No matter what the size of the gathering – everyone leaves feeling uplifted and positive about his or her *alma mater*. If you have not attended an alumni event within the last year, you should make an effort to attend one of several upcoming events this year. You are guaranteed to have a great time. Visit http://alumni.lls.edu for a list of upcoming alumni events.



### Ventura Alumni Luncheon

Dean David W. Burcham '84 and alumni working or living in the Ventura area enjoyed lunch at the Spanish Hills Country Club on August 7, 2003. Approximately 35 alumni attended and enjoyed an afternoon of camaraderie. The luncheon was the first visit in several years for the Dean to meet with alumni in the Ventura area. Coleen P. Gillespie '85, who attended the event notes, "I had a great time at the Loyola Alumni Luncheon, visiting with friends I have not seen for years, and meeting new friends. I encourage more alumni to support these events for the fun and the opportunity to network with Loyola attorneys in your area."

## Orange County Alumni Summer Mixer

With more than 4,000 alumni living or working in Orange County, it is only fitting that the alumni office plan two events annually in OC -- a Summer Mixer and the Orange County Alumni Reunion held in February. This year's Summer Mixer was held on August 14, 2003 at the home of Mark Minyard '76 and his wife Barbie. The Minyards, who are great friends and loyal supporters of the Law School, hosted a great summer bash. Guests enjoyed an evening under the stars with a spectacular back yard view of the harbor, great food, entertainment, and most of all an opportunity to meet up with fellow alumni. Minyard notes, "My wife and I were guite pleased to host the event. It was exciting to



hear Dean Burcham's update on the school's fantastic progress. And it was fun to see old friends and meet new ones." Because of the Minyard's generosity, all proceeds from the Summer Mixer benefited the Orange County Alumni Scholarship Fund. The fund supports a merit-based scholarship that is awarded to a student who lives in OC and commutes to the Law School.



## Sixth Annual Bob Cooney Golf Tournament

There are many ways someone can spend a beautiful Sunday afternoon. One hundred twenty-five alumni, students and friends chose to play golf on September 7, 2003 at the Coyote Hills Golf Course in Fullerton, Calif. Players enjoyed an 18-hole course, on-course lunch, margaritas, and an opportunity to win several prizes including a trip to Los Cabos courtesy of AeroMexico Airlines: Trophies, gift certificates, and cash prizes were awarded to several individuals at the awards reception sponsored by the Redmond Family. Tournament sponsors included: Ami Silverman '87, Liner Yankelevitz Sunshine & Regenstreif: Thon, Beck, Vanni, Phillipi & Nutt; Sullivan, Workman & Dee; Law Office of Paul W. Samarin; and Law Office of Michael C. Cho. Due to the generosity of our sponsors and Sonya Sultan '82 (trustee of the Maxine Weiser Trust, who donated \$5000) the tournament raised \$15,000 for the Cancer Legal Resource Center.

Congratulations to this year's Law Firm Challenge winning team of **Thon, Beck, Vanni, Phillipi & Nutt.** The Law Firm Challenge is a friendly competition between alumni foursomes. The winning team earns the right to add their name to the tournament's perpetual trophy named in memory of **Charles "Chuck" Redmond '74.** The trophy is proudly displayed year-round at the Law School.



"Great gathering. I got to talk to some of the old timers. I felt really uplifted," notes **Marshall Schulman '52** about Loyola's Hospitality Reception held during the State Bar Annual Meeting on August 6, 2003 at the Anaheim Hilton. Please plan on joining fellow alumni at next year's meeting which will be held in Monterey, Calif.

## Public Defender's Alumni Reception

A number of alumni working in the Public Defender's Office from various cities and counties attended a reception on September 16, 2003, hosted by the Law School. Professors Stan Goldman, Laurie Levenson, Yxta Maya Murray, Sam Pillsbury and Marcy Strauss also attended. In addition, Dean **David W. Burcham '84** took the opportunity that evening to introduce Professor Alexandria Natapoff, a former assistant federal public defender, who joined the faculty this summer. Several students from the Law School's Criminal Law Society, also attended the event notes, "It is great to get



together with folks from the PD's office. With our busy schedules, it is nice to interact with my colleagues in a relaxed setting like this event and share some of our common public defender experiences. It was also great to interact with the professors who attended."



Las Vegas Reception

Loyola wins big in Las Vegas. No, not on the slots or card tables but at a reception for alumni living in the Las Vegas area. The Law School was graciously hosted by John and Rene O'Reilly. John is a friend of the Law School, and sits on the Board of Trustees for Loyola Marymount University. The reception allowed alumni to come together and hear first-hand news about the Law School, allowing them to reconnect with each other and their *alma mater*. **Alain Chu** '94, who recently relocated to Las Vegas, notes, "It was a great reception. What a great opportunity to meet and network with fellow Loyola alums."



# Alumni Mentor and Student BBQ

A barbeque was held on September 21, 2003 at the Law School to kick off the 2003-2004 mentor program. The barbeque provided many alumni and students an opportunity to meet and get to know each other. The event was held in the Founders Hall Courtyard and guests enjoyed some delicious barbeque and great company. Another event for mentoring alumni and students is planned in the spring. Students have expressed their appreciation to the Board of Governors and the Alumni Relations Office for making this program available to them.

## Sacramento Alumni Chapter Meeting

The inaugural gathering of approximately 50 members of the Sacramento Alumni Chapter was held on September 24, 2003 at the home of the Honorable Jeffrey Gunther '71 and his wife Barbara. Assisting the Gunthers in coordinating the event was Sergio Diaz '83. Dean David W. Burcham '84, attended the event and notes: "It is gratifying to see such strong connection to Loyola Law School amongst our Sacramento alums. I greatly appreciate their loyalty and I look forward to seeing all the alums again. I am particularly grateful to Judge Gunther and Sergio Diaz for their efforts in organizing the Sacramento Chapter." The Chapter will hold their next gathering in Spring 2004.

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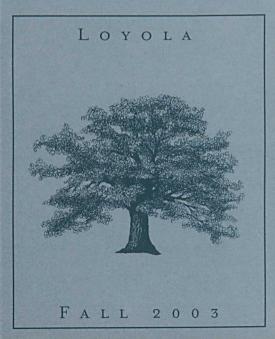
This is an exciting time for the law school, as it gains national recognition for the great law school that it is. The hard work and commitment of the Board certainly is making a difference and contributes to Loyola Law School's success.

#### A PROFILE ON THIS YEAR'S PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Jeleen Guttenberg '96 is no stranger to community service. Guttenberg has spent years volunteering with various organizations including AFS (formerly American Field Service), a non-profit international exchange program, the Glendale-Burbank Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma, and the Tournament of Roses in Pasadena. Guttenberg's service to the law school began when she served on the first steering committee of the Women's Roundtable and has been a member of the Board of Governors since 1998.

She is an associate in the corporate department of the Los Angeles office of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, where she specializes in employee benefits/executive compensation and ERISA, with an emphasis on the investment of ERISA plan assets and ERISA litigation.

Guttenberg credits Loyola Law School with giving her the opportunity to continue to help support her family by day while, by night, fulfilling her lifelong goal of becoming a lawyer-forging invaluable friendships along the way. She remains committed to giving something back to her *alma mater*.



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#### 1969

John R. Van Damn retired from the Orange County Public Defender's Office in July 2002.

#### 1975

Leslie B. Abell was selected by the Exceptional Children's Foundation to lead the charity's development campaign cabinet, which will oversee the organization's \$2.2 million campaign to fund the development of an adult day healthcare center in Central Los Angeles, a fine arts training activity center in San Pedro, and several other projects. Tom Nolan, the managing partner for firm-wide operations at Howrey Simon Arnold & White, has been inducted into the prestigious International Academy of Trial Lawyers.

#### 1978

Alice M. Graham announces the opening of her office in Marina Del Rey, Calif. Graham's practice includes real estate litigation and appeals.

#### 1979

Jack J. Coe, Jr. was elected to the prestigious American Law Institute, which was established in 1923 to promote law reform, better administration of justice, and to encourage scholarly and scientific work.

#### 1980

**Robert Brinkmann** has formed the law and public affairs firm of Olive, Edwards, & Brinkmann, L.L.C. The firm offers clients a wide range of Capitol Hill and private business experience in legal, media, political and public affairs.

#### 1984

**David J. Miclean** serves as managing principal of Fish & Richardson P.C.'s Silicon Valley office in Redwood City, Calif. Founded in 1878, the firm represented Thomas Edison, Alexander Graham Bell and the Wright Brothers -- and more recently, great innovators at Adobe Systems Inc., 3M, Bose Corp., Microsoft, Genzyme Corp. and Intel.

#### 1985

Jody Z. Feldman, as a deputy attorney general, prosecutes elder abuse crimes for the State of California.

#### 1986

Janice R. Hugener is now partner in the Los Angeles office of Tucker Ellis & West LLP. Hugener is a member of the firm's litigation group, where her practice includes insurance coverage and bad faith litigation. Mark Krietzman has joined Greenberg Traurig's Los Angeles office as partner, focusing on patent counseling, prosecution and portfolio development.

#### 1988

**Steven G. Kaplan** just finished producing his second feature film, "The Big Empty," starring Jon Favreau, Rachel Leigh Cook, Daryl Hannah, Kelsey Grammer, Sean Bean and Joey Lauren Adams through his production shingle, Rainstorm Entertainment.

#### 1989

Steven R. Goby is senior counsel with the State of California, Department of Managed Health Care. Goby has been a member of the Health Care Law Section Executive Committee for the past two years, and recently was elected treasurer. Patricia E. Lee became a talent agent this past July. Doing business as Esq. Management, Lee represents motion picture and television editors, production designers and directors of photography. Her clients' current projects include the popular reality dating series, "Blind Date," as well as the awardwinning gender bending comedy, "Girls Will Be Girls," which is being released theatrically this fall. Sharon Lewis is a senior associate at the Oakland firm of Selvin Wraith Halman. Lewis comes to the firm from Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold.

#### 1990

**Donald E. Landis, Jr.** has been promoted to Orange County senior deputy public defender. **Sheila Maria Pistone** has become an associate member of the Weintraub Law Corporation, practicing bankruptcy and insolvency law, and representing both debtors and creditors.

#### 1991

Lawrence Strauss, a real estate and personal injury attorney in Studio City, filed a nomination document with the county registrar to appear on the ballot in the recall election for California governor.

#### 1992

**Heather Beatty**, an employment litigator, has been promoted to partner at the firm of Bingham McCutchen in the Los Angeles office.

#### 1993

Art Brown, a film writer and director, filed a nomination document with the county registrar to appear on the ballot in the recall election for California governor. Kara L. Bue was appointed in January 2003 to the position of deputy assistant secretary of state for regional stability. David T. **Hathaway** has joined Countrywide Financial, Inc., as first vice president and senior legal counsel. At Countrywide, Hathaway handles strategic alliances and also advises the company and its affiliates in the areas of electronic commerce, privacy and security.

#### 1995

**Paul Fuhrman** (and partners) has opened a new hotel with a restaurant/lounge in Beverly Hills, called the "Crescent." **Sandra Jacobson** has been elevated to partner at the Orange County office of Allen Matkins Leck Gamble & Mallory. Jacobson's practice focuses on commercial real estate transactions.

#### 1996

Shaun Clark has joined Sheppard Mullin as a partner in the entertainment and media department. Grace E. Jo has changed firms and is now with Dechert LLP in Palo Alto, Calif. Until recently she was with Oppenheimer Wolff & Donnelly LLP. Gregory Townsend recently left the United Nations Rwanda War Crimes Tribunal to accept the promotion of international prosecutor with the United Nations peacekeeping mission in Kosovo. Pristina, the capital of Kosovo, is where Townsend will be prosecuting cases of war crimes, terrorism, human trafficking, rape and murder.

#### 1997

Anthony Paul Diaz is the newest member on the California State Bar Board of Governors. Diaz was elected by the California Young Lawyers Association to represent the seventh Los Angeles district. The Board of Governors is responsible for managing the State Bar and is governed by a 23member Board of Governors. Patricia (Stearns) Eyres, founder and president of Litigation Management & Training Services, Inc. has earned the National Speakers Association and Certified Speaking Professional designation. Eyres is president of the Long Beach Civil Service Commission, where she serves as a hearing officer on disciplinary appeals.

#### 1998

**Christopher Overton** has joined the firm of Nossaman Guthner Knox & Elliott as an associate with the eminent domain group. Overton was previously with Murchison & Cumming.

#### 1999

**Diana Laskaris** has been named managing director of Six Degrees, Inc. in Chicago. Six Degrees is a sports and entertainment consulting firm. **Tish Loeb** is now a lecturer in law at Santa Clara Law School, where she teaches federal gift and estate tax. Loeb still runs her solo practice doing estate planning.

#### 2000

Thomas Kim has been promoted to assistant vice president in the AON's Mergers and Acquisitions Group. Kim also relocated to New York City. Kellie A. Moore is a product liability litigator with Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold in Los Angeles. Still specializing in FDA regulatory matters, she recently joined the USC School of Pharmacy as an associate course director for the Masters in Regulatory Science program. Moore continues to lecture on legal issues involving medical and

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consumer products. **Gene Sitnitsky** has joined the firm of Nossaman Guthner Knox & Elliott in the Los Angeles office. Sitnitsky was previously with Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher.

#### 2001

John Kim has joined the firm of Nossaman Guthner Knox & Elliott in the Los Angeles office. Kim was previously at the firm of Kelley Drye & Warren.

#### 2003

**Kristopher P. Diulio** is serving as judicial clerk to Hon. Christine O.C. Miller of the United States Court of Federal Claims in Washington, D.C.

### **Judicial Review**

Commissioner **George J. Gliaudys, Jr '68**. was appointed to the Los Angeles County Child Support Advisory Board this past May by Gloria Molina and the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Michael Nash '74, the presiding judge of the Juvenile Court, has been elected to the Board of Trustees of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges.

Hon. **Arthur A. Garcia '78** has been appointed by Gov. Gray Davis to Santa Barbara Superior Court judge. Until recently he served as commissioner for the Court.



Marriage Proposals and Vows

Kristopher Diulio '03 was married on June 7, 2003 to Christiana Eurton, a first grade teacher in Los The newlyweds are settling in Angeles. Washington, DC., where Diulio will be clerking at the United States Court of Federal Claims for one year - he will then return to the Irvine office of Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher. Ronald M. Lebow '78 married Renee Ilani Mitchell on September 20, 2003 in Malibu, Calif. Darcy Miramontes '98 and Christopher Roberts '98 were married on June 14, 2003 in San Diego, Calif. Miramontes is a commercial real estate broker with BRE Commercial in San Diego. Roberts practices at the law firm of Morris & Sullivan. Libby Schaaf '93 was married on August 16, 2003 to Salvatore Fahey in Oakland, Calif. John C. Yi '00 married

Dianna Y. Choi on May 17, 2003 at Canaan Church in Lakewood, Calif. Yi practices construction and business litigation at the law firm of Lanak & Hanna, P.C.

## Certificates of Birth and Adoption

Mitchell A. Jackman '87 and Millie C. Jackman have adopted a son, Mitchell James Jackman, born June 28, 2003. Donald E. Landis, Jr. '90 and his wife Alicia Tao announce the birth of Gustav Hai-jia Landis, born on September 7, 2003. Ann Sato Huntsman '91 and her husband Max welcome their second daughter, Caitlin Akiko Huntsman ("Katie"), born on August 20, 2003 Cheri Eaton Pavone '92 and her husband David announce the birth of their second child, Ethan Cole, born August 3, 2003. Jeff Lewis '96 and Gina G. McLeod '96 are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Katharine Hannah Lewis who was born on September 17, 2003. Deborah J. Zipnick '96 and her husband are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Jaztyn, who was born on May 1, 2003. Robin Weiss '01 and Peter Weiss are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Justin Matthew, born August 24, 2003.

### In Memoriam

Robert J. Mepham '53 passed away on July 30, 2003.

James Delguercio '57 has passed away.

**Howard R. Mueller '57** passed away at the age of 85. Mueller, who retired from law practice in 1989, continued to manage his various properties in San Diego, Calif. He joined the Navy in 1940 and served in the Pacific during WWII. After leaving the military as a lieutenant commander, he became a certified public accountant and helped form the company CBM Co. With his partners at CBM, Mueller built some of the first suburban housing tracts in San Diego.

**Calvin Spann '62** passed away at the age of 78. Spann operated the Crenshaw Landlord Service, and his practice had consisted solely of eviction litigation since 1977. Prior to developing his eviction practice, Spann worked as a criminal defense attorney and served as a deputy district attorney. Although Spann suffered from a heart attack a year ago, he continued his active practice of law until his death.

**Roderick E. Brown '65** a longtime resident and practicing attorney in Ventura County for more than 40 years, passed away on July 15, 2003, after a courageous battle with cancer. Brown taught classes at Ventura College for 18 years and was an active member of the Knights of Columbus. He belonged to the East Ventura branch of the Kiwanis, where he was elected lieutenant governor. He also served on the board of directors for Caregivers.

**Dennis A. Pastor '70** passed away on July 23, 2003.

## Top 50 Women Litigators in California As Named by the Los Angeles Daily Journal

Marilyn Bednarski '82, Maureen Bright '78, Nancy Cohen '78, Janet Levine '80, Amy Solomon '87 and Christine Spagnoli '86 made the list for 2003 as the "Top 50 Women Litigators in California," according to the *Los Angeles Daily Journal* in its second annual review of the state's most talented and influential female trial attorneys. The six graduates of the Law School were selected from among hundreds of nominations, based on their trial experience, reputation among their peers, and overall contribution to the legal community. These women have earned their place among the profession's elite and among Loyola's most distinguished alumni.



Tell us what is new in your life and career. We will include your response in the Winter 2004 issue of the *Public Record's* section "Direct Examination."

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