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2010 Summer Honor Roll

Loyola Law School Los Angeles

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Dean's Address

Thank you to the thousands of alumni and friends who supported Loyola Law School over the past year. Despite the worst economy in generations, support for the Law School was unwavering, a testament to the dedication of our donors, supporters and volunteers.

From 2000 to 2008, Loyola alumni and friends contributed an average of 3.5 million dollars each year to the Law School. Since 2008, during the height of this recession, contributions have averaged over 4.6 million dollars per year. The generous support from alumni and friends continues to enable Loyola to fund student scholarships, create and maintain academic programs and centers, endowed chairs, and recruit and retain a diverse and talented faculty and student body. Additionally, a significant number of donors provided unrestricted support, which helps fund and maintain the day-to-day operational needs of running the Law School. Regardless of where alumni and friends directed their support—it truly made a difference and made it possible for Loyola to achieve great things this past year.

I would like to share with you a few examples of the Law School’s achievements this past year. Our first time takers for the 2009 California summer bar passed at an 85 percent rate, tied with UCLA. Loyola student teams, in 2010, won the Traynor Moot Court competition, the Hispanic National Bar Association/Moot Court competition, and the western regionals of both the National Mock Court competition and the National Trial Advocacy competition. Participation in these competitions provided students with a unique educational experience both inside and outside of the classroom. This experience, of course, is made possible through the generous support of alumni and friends who coach these teams, help cover travel related expenses and so much more.

The Law School continues to be recognized for its commitment to public interest work. National Jurist ranked Loyola’s public interest program second in the nation and we were rated fifth in the nation for the quality of our classroom teaching by the Princeton Review. The Law School continues to raise funds for academic chairs, which are critical to enhancing our reputation. It also provides an avenue for the Law School to recognize outstanding professors. This past year, Professor Gary Williams was presented with the Johnnie Cochran, Jr. Chair in Civil Rights, which was inaugurated in October 2009. Also announced in 2009 was the creation of two more endowed chairs to honor former Professors William G. Cosby ‘59 and the Hon. Frederick J. Lozer, Jr. ‘64 (Dean 1973-79 & 1990-91).

Scholarship support continues to be a critical need for our students. Tuition for full-time students is now over $40,000 at almost every law school in California. This not only includes other California schools. This is a consequence of the fact that, over the years, our competitors have amassed a larger endowment for scholarships in comparison to Loyola.

I am honored to serve as executive director, and to partner with you in promoting and advancing the goals and mission of Loyola Law School.

Best regards,

Carmen Ramirez
Executive Director of Advancement
Loyola Law School

2009-10 Honor Roll of Donors

(June 1, 2009 – May 31, 2010)

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On behalf of the alumni office staff at Loyola Law School, I extend my thanks to alumni, friends, faculty and staff who made a personal and financial commitment during the 2009-2010 school year.

Your support made it possible for Loyola to provide scholarship funding to deserving students, create and maintain programs that enrich the experience of our students, compete with law schools to recruit nationally recognized professors and of course, meet the day-to-day operational needs of running a law school that now encompasses an entire city block.

In closing, I want to thank and acknowledge the hundreds of alumni volunteers who served as mentors, team coaches, classroom and program speakers, advisory and planning committee members, mock interviewers, admission ambassadors and alumni class agents. An involved alumni base is the greatest resource to any law school. Loyola is fortunate to have so many alumni who are willing to invest in Loyola by giving their time and sharing their knowledge and expertise, which is truly priceless. In recognition of this outstanding effort, we have added a new section to the honor roll which lists alumni volunteers. The list is impressive.

I extend my gratitude to those alumni and friends who supported Loyola Law School this year. I appreciate your partnership and vote of confidence in our school, students, faculty and programs. I ask for others to join Loyola supporters by making a financial contribution this year—remember all donations, regardless of the amount, make a difference.

Again, thank you and I look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming alumni events.

Kindest regards,

Victor J. Gold
Fritz B. Burns Dean, Loyola Law School
Senior Vice President, Loyola Marymount University
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Reception 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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