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"IN CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE"

March 26, 1998

THE BENCH AND BAR

It's never too early to let you know to "Save the Date" for the Annual Alumni Dinner. The Alumni Association Board of Governors Dinner Committee is already knee deep in plans, centered around the main honorees of the evening, the Chief District Judge of the U. S. District Court, Central District, the Honorable Wm. Matthew Byrne, Jr., and Assistant Presiding Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court, the Honorable Victor Chavez '59. Judge Byrne will be honored as "Distinguished Jurist 1998" and Judge Chavez as Loyola's own "Alumnus of the Year."

The Dinner will be held at the Regal Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles on Thursday, March 26, 1998. Dinner will be preceded by a no host cocktail hour, and the program will include ample time to visit with other alumni and friends of the Law School. Law firms, businesses and alumni groups are encouraged to sponsor the Dinner by purchasing tables, and this year a souvenir program book will provide an opportunity to express congratulations and greetings.

In conjunction with the Dinner, Board of Governors Recognition Awards will also be presented to a small group of alumni. Instituted last year, these Awards are conferred upon alumni who, either in their professional or private lives, have made a positive contribution to society, their own community, or the practice of law. Recipients of this special recognition for 1998 have not been determined as yet, and the Board welcomes recommendations from the alumni body. Nominations for these awards will be accepted by the Alumni Relations Office.

The Alumni Dinner Committee, headed by Thomas Kristovich '72, promises an exciting evening of fine food and music, short speeches, and a wonderful opportunity to visit with other alums, faculty and current students.



Tickets are \$125 per person; \$100 for those in public interest/government; \$85 for 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997 grads. Tables of ten may be purchased for \$1250 and include a Table Sponsor listing in the program. Firms and individuals are also encouraged to sponsor student seats for the Dinner; those doing so will be listed in the program. Tables are currently available and individual tickets can be reserved and/or purchased via telephone after December 1, 1997; telephone 213/736-1029; fax 213/384-1659; or e-mail llsgrads@lmu.edu.



UPCOMING EVENTS



ORANGE COUNTY

The Orange County Organizing Committee has begun planning for the coming year - with enthusiasm. In addition to the scheduled events listed below, there are plans in the works for an Orange County area Annual Dinner in September, and various networking events during other times of the year. "Watch this space" for further information.

If you are interested in working with the Organizing Committee, please contact the Alumni Relations Office to volunteer. Karen Parks at telephone 213/736-1046; fax 213/384-1659; or e-mail llsgrads@lmu.edu.

1997 BAR ADMITTEES RECEPTION

Thursday, December 11
6:00 p.m.
California Court of Appeals, Santa Ana
Co-sponsored by various Orange County
Law firms
All Orange County Alumni invited

LSPN NETWORKING RECEPTION

Thursday, February 12
6:00 p.m.
Location TBA
All Orange County Alumni invited

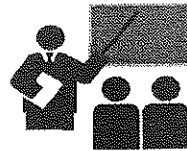
WOMEN'S ROUNDTABLE

Wednesday, February 18
6:00 p.m.
Home of Professor Therese Maynard, Irvine
All Orange County Alumnae invited

*Swearing-In Ceremony
for July 1997 Bar Passers*

*Tuesday, December 2
10 o'clock in the morning
Law School Campus*

*Admittees and guests invited
Contact Office of Alumni Relations 213/736-1029*



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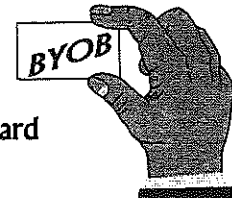
Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.
November 13 through December 11
Series focuses on hot topical issues in
ADR in the public and private business
sectors. Various instructors.
Contact Suzanne Zeimis 213/736-8153

WESTERN CONFERENCE ON TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS / Co-Sponsored by the IRS

Thursday and Friday, November 11 & 12
14 hours MCLE credit
Contact Suzanne Zeimis - 213/736-8153

3-HOUR CLASS RE "NEW TECHNOLOGY AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN NEW MEDIA" AND NETWORKING RECEPTION

Thursday, December 4
5:00 to 8:00 p.m. followed by a Reception
Contact: California Lawyers for the Arts
310/998-5590



Bring Your Own Business card Networking Events

"BYOB" Bring Your Own Business card events provide alumni a unique opportunity to network with other Loyola practitioners and judges. Generally, these are informal, early evening events to which alumni in a particular geographical area are invited. Often sponsored by law firms or local businesses, these are low- or no-cost events.

PASADENA AREA ALUMNI BYOB RECEPTION

Tuesday, August 18
6:00 p.m.
Home of Thomas Beck '77
Pasadena

WEST VALLEY AREA ALUMNI BYOB RECEPTION

Wednesday, August 19
6:00 p.m.
Marriott Warner Center
Woodland Hills

INFORMATION: OFFICE OF ALUMNI RELATIONS
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e-mail: llsgrads@lmu.edu

What's New

1938 **Baldo M. Kristovich** was honored with the "Spirit of Love Award" by Villa Scalabrini on May 3, 1997 for his active support of the charitable organization through the years.

1950 **Jerry Fine** is chairman of the American Media Council on Child Abuse (AMCCA), a charitable foundation which addresses child abuse by producing public service announcements shown during prime time on local and national television networks.

1959 The **Honorable Victor E. Chavez** was elected by his fellow judges to serve as Assistant Presiding Judge of the Superior Court for this year. He is a diplomat in and president of the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates (ABOTA); he is a member and former president of the Mexican American Bar Association; and served on half-a-dozen court committees, including the Court's policy-making Executive Committee. Chavez will be honored by Loyola Law School as Distinguished Alumnus at the Annual Alumni Dinner in March, 1998. The **Honorable Charles McGrath**, Ventura County's longest-sitting judge has announced his retirement, but will continue to hear criminal cases on a temporary freelance basis until at least the end of the year.

1960 - The **Honorable Jack Tso** of the Los Angeles Superior Court retired after 20 years on the bench.

1962 **Johnnie Cochran** served as the honored speaker at the 30th Anniversary Celebration of the Guidance Church of Religious Science. **John P. McNicholas** was featured in the litigator profile section of the Los Angeles Daily Journal.

1963 The **Honorable Burton S. Katz (Ret.)** participated in a book signing this past July featuring his new book, "Justice Overruled: Unmasking the Criminal Justice System." **Rodney E. Moss** was featured in the litigator profile section of the Los Angeles Daily Journal.

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1966 **Bill Herreras**, a certified Specialist in Worker's Compensation, was elected Secretary of the California Applicant's Attorney Association. The **Honorable Joseph Di Loreto** competed in the Ford Los Angeles Grand Prix, racing his vintage car around the streets neighboring the Civic Center and Union Station. He was also featured in the Los Angeles Daily Journal.

1967 **David Laufer** will be the lead attorney in Arter & Hadden's new office opening in Woodland Hills.

1968 The **Honorable John S. Einhorn**, San Diego Superior Court judge, was featured in an article in the Los Angeles Daily Journal. The **Honorable Curt Morris**, was re-elected mayor for the City of San Dimas. **Steven A. Schwaber** was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Bankruptcy Institute where he served as an associate editor of its journal.

1969 South Bay Municipal Court Judge **Benjamin Aranda** is one of four members appointed to the Judicial Council. Prior to his appointment, he sat on assignment in the Los Angeles Superior Court and the Court of Appeals. The **Honorable Stephen D. Cunnison** was featured in the Los Angeles Daily Journal. The **Honorable John Darlington** was featured in the Los Angeles Daily Journal. **Patrick M. Kelly** was reappointed by Governor Pete Wilson to a four-year term on the Commission on Judicial Performance.

1970 **Norman Chernin** was named counsel for the Hilton Hotels Corporation in Beverly Hills. **William Crosby** spoke at the South Pasadena Republican Assembly on "Fair Trade vs. Free Trade". The **Honorable Gary J. Ferrari** was elected by Long Beach Municipal Court judges as their presiding judge. The **Honorable Judy Ryan**, retired Orange County Superior Court judge, works with the American Arbitration Association. **Justice Sheila P. Sonenshine** was featured in a recent article in the Orange County Register. The **Honorable Stephen C. Taylor** was appointed as a Magistrate of New Hanover County, North Carolina. He currently presides over a special court dealing with worthless checks, but his duties also include the performance of marriage ceremonies. **Kenneth R. Warner** received the 1997 Circle of Life Award from the Valley Jewish Business Leaders Association, a support group for the Jewish Home for the Aging. In addition, Warner is the campaign chair for the Valley Alliance of the Jewish Federation/UJA.

1971 Rose M. Ochi was nominated by President Clinton to be the Director of the Community Relations Service at the Department of Justice, where she currently serves as Acting Director. The Honorable Michael Solner was among four local attorneys named by Governor Pete Wilson to the Los Angeles Municipal Court.

1972 Alexandra Leichter was honored as a "Woman of Achievement" by the American Friends of Sheba Medical Center, Women's Group this June. She also taught Family Law at Loyola this summer. Barry R. Levy, a partner in the Encino appellate firm of Horvitz & Levy, has been elected president of the California Academy of Appellate Lawyers. Anthony F. Wieszorek was nominated for president-elect at the Long Beach Bar Association.

1973 The Honorable Carl Fisher Bryan II of the Nevada County Superior Court was featured in an article of the Los Angeles Daily Journal for his visionary approach to family law practice. His primary objective is to shield children of divorcing couples from the intense conflict engendered by litigation. He has received wide recognition for his approach, culminating in 1993 with the Sierra Children's Services award for "[making] positive contributions toward the advancement of children's lives." The Honorable Patrick J. Hegarty of the Santa Anita Municipal Court was featured in an article of the Los Angeles Daily Journal. Carol E. Schatz is the first woman to head Central City Association of Los Angeles, a "Who's Who" of more than 200 downtown businesses.

1974 Barbara Crowley was awarded "A Woman for All Seasons" at a reception by Women At Work. She is a member of the board of directors for Women At Work and also serves on the boards for Westridge School and Descanso Gardens. Steven Feldman was recently accepted into the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys. Evanne L. Levin opened his own law offices in Century City, specializing in entertainment, music, and intellectual property matters. Michael E. Morgan has been selected by his peers to be listed in the 1997-98 edition of The Best Lawyers in America in the area of corporate law. He is a partner in the Seattle office of Lane Powell Spears Lubersky LLP. Dana Reed was recently appointed by Governor Pete Wilson to the California Transportation Commission. Charles B. Sheppard's article, "California Code of Civil Procedure Section 580b, Anti-Deficiency Protection Regarding Purchase Money Debts: Arguments for the Inclusion of Refinanced

Purchase Money Obligation Within the Anti-Deficiency Protection of Section 580b," was published by the Southern California Interdisciplinary Law Journal. The Honorable Role M. Treu has been elected Assistant Presiding Judge, 1988, for the Citrus Judicial District Municipal Court.

1975 Gloria Allred has received the National Association of Women Lawyers Outstanding Member of 1997 Award. The Honorable George Genesta was among four new judges appointed this year by Governor Pete Wilson to municipal courts in Los Angeles. Deputy Attorney General. Clara Slifkin was the overwhelming choice of Los Angeles County attorneys to represent them on the State Bar Board of Governors. Walter F. Ulloa is the chairman and chief executive officer of Entravision Communication Co., which serves the Spanish-speaking radio and television markets. He, along with Philip C. Wilkinson, formed the company in 1996.

1976 James G. Benjamin is president and a director of Benjamin & Associates, P.C. Wilkie Cheong, John F. Denove, Mary M. Bennett and Drew R. Antablin '77, all partners in the firm of Cheong & Denove, have recently expanded their roster of Loyola alums by adding new associate Dawn M. Craig '96. The Honorable Douglas M. Elwell, currently presiding in the Superior Court in Rancho Cucamonga, was featured in an article of the Los Angeles Daily Journal. Raymond Kaiser was nominated to the Board of Governors for the Long Beach Bar Association. Martin R. Morfeld has joined the tax and health law department of Davis Wright Tremaine in Seattle, Washington. Chief Judge Geraldine Mund of the Central District Bankruptcy Court was featured in an article of the Los Angeles Daily Journal addressing the court's heavy caseload. She was also profiled in the Metropolitan News-Enterprise. The Honorable Raoul M. Thorbourne has been named a commissioner in the Sacramento Superior and Municipal Courts.

1977 Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Councilmember in Montebello, is completing his third term in office. In addition, Alvarez-Glasman leads a nine-member law firm currently representing about 20 cities, including South Gate and Pomona. The Honorable Yuri Hofmann was appointed by Governor Pete Wilson as judge of the Municipal Court, El Cajon Judicial District, San Diego County. Stanley Mabbitt was recently featured in Business Journal as one of

the area's "rising legal stars." He currently chairs the Consumer Financial Services Committee, a subcommittee of the American Bar Association's Truth In Lending panel. The **Honorable Dan Thomas Oki** was elevated to the Los Angeles Superior Court.

1978 **Cynthia A. Cotter** has retired from law and accounting after 18 years to work on her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology with an emphasis in neuropsychology. **James McFaul** who was with Kirwan & Dibble in Carpinteria, has recently formed the law firm of Minehan, McFaul & McLinn. **Rhonda Gale** was named Vice President of Business and Legal affairs by Saban Entertainment. She will be responsible for the business and legal aspects of Saban's in-house motion pictures and made-for-television movies. The **Honorable Marlene Kristovich** of the Los Angeles Superior Court spoke at a luncheon meeting of the San Pedro Republican Women, Federated. **Ben Lyon**, an adjunct professor at University of San Francisco, School of Law, has been selected to teach International Business Law this summer at Charles University in Prague. **David A. Weingard** retired from law where he previously served as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Hayward. **Leon A. Zallen** began a sole practice earlier this year where he specializes in medical and legal malpractice.

1979 **Steven N. Bloom** has been promoted by the law firm of Frandzel & Share to nameplate partner; the firm will now be known as Frandzel, Share, Robbins, Kaplan & Bloom. **Marty Blum** was selected as a "1997 Woman of Distinction" by the Santa Barbara Soroptimists. She was named in the area of international goodwill and understanding. She is a longtime local activist and newest member of the Santa Barbara City Council. The **Honorable Thomas J. Borris** was unanimously elected to serve as this year's presiding judge of the West Orange County Municipal Court. **Michael J. Cappelli** and his co-counsel successfully argued *Barton v. Tsern* before the Utah Supreme Court, proffering the view that an implied warranty of commercial suitability exists in commercial leases of real property. Utah has since become the second state to adopt that view. **Julie Crouch** was presented an Honorary Service Award from Palm Crest Elementary School for her active service with the school. The **Honorable John T. Doyle**, Compton Municipal Court Commissioner, was featured in an article of the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*. **Martha W. Hammer** has become president of the Independent Colleges of Southern California, the umbrella organization for 16 independent colleges

and universities for corporate fundraising, scholarship administration and other joint interests. The **Honorable Gregory Hollows** serves as magistrate judge in one of the most notorious federal cases in America, the *Unabomber* case. Judge Hollows was also featured in an article of the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*. The **Honorable Thomas L. Willhite, Jr.** was among three judges recently elevated to the Los Angeles Superior Court.

1980 **John Angell** was nominated by President Clinton as Assistant Secretary for congressional and intergovernmental affairs. He currently serves as senior advisor to Energy Secretary Federico Peña. He also worked as senior advisor to former White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta. **Montgomery Cole** was nominated for the Board of Governors of the Long Beach Bar Association. **David P. Crandall** is president of the Orange County Trial Lawyers Association. He is leading the association in expanding educational opportunities for members, in promoting professional courtesy and in opening lines of communication between lawyers on both sides of the bar. **Rob Glushon** won a seat on the 15-member elected Los Angeles City Charter Commission, 11th Council District. **Susan F. Hannan** recently joined the firm of Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold. **Dennis McGoldrick** had an outline of his presentation to the Family Law Section of the Long Beach Bar Association printed in an article of the *Long Beach Reporter*. He is a member of the Los Angeles Bankruptcy Forum and the Financial Lawyers Conference. **Philip G. Panitz**, a specialist in tax litigation and controversy, has opened a new office in Westlake Village, with offices already in Oxnard and Woodland Hills.

1981 **Joan L. Byer** won the race for a Family Court seat in Louisville, Kentucky. **Christina Crosby**, an education finance attorney at the San Francisco office of New York's Brown & Wood, has been elevated to partner. The **Honorable Brian F. Gasdia** has been appointed as a Los Angeles Municipal Court judge for the Downey Judicial District. Deputy Attorney General **Jamee Jordan Patterson** has been named a "Legal Eagle" in the December issue of *California Lawyer*. The **Honorable Elizabeth A. White** was named to the Los Angeles Municipal Court by Governor Pete Wilson. **Robert A. Wilson** was recently promoted to the position of senior vice-president for CKE Restaurants, Inc. the Anaheim-based parent of Carl's Jr. His responsibilities include overseeing the legal and risk management

departments of CKE Restaurants as well as acting as general counsel for CKE's subsidiaries.

1982 The Honorable Gail Andler was featured in the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*. Eileen Marie Bernes has joined her husband in law partnership at the firm of Bernes, Thompson, Penfield & Gromer in Phoenix, AZ. Alan J. Kheel was named of counsel by Appel & Associates. Kheel will be based in Los Angeles, specializing in environmental contamination issues. James Ebert and Lisa Kitagawa (formerly Kitsuta) have changed the name of their law firm to Kitagawa & Ebert, P.C., with offices in Irvine, California and Atlanta, Georgia. The firm serves Japanese businesses throughout the United States. Larry C. Mount was elected vice president and general counsel of Edison Capital in Irvine. The firm is the capital and financial services subsidiary of Edison International. Ralph Joseph Novotney, Jr. has been designated as a Certified Specialist in Appellate Law by the California Board of Legal Specialization of the State Bar of California. He has been previously designated as a Certified Specialist in Criminal Law and his practice is devoted exclusively to appellate representation in civil and criminal matters in West Hills, California. Tyna C. Orren has recently joined Greinis, Martin, Stien & Richland. Her practice focuses on civil appellate law. Jack Robbins was a co-presenter of a CLE program this March on "Bad Faith Litigation in California." He was also recently elected president of the ADR Section of the Sacramento County Bar Association. Wesley A. Rusch has relocated to New York City. He is a member of the California, New York and Wisconsin Bars and is Director of Compliance for Walsh Manning Securities LLC.

1983 Jeff Dracup, managing partner of Dracup & Patterson, published an article entitled *Should Your Contract Include Arbitration*. The Honorable Carol W. Elswick was appointed by Governor Pete Wilson as Judge of the Citrus Municipal Court. Cheryl McDermott has been named President of Business Affairs for Saban International. Joseph A. Householder was appointed as Unocal's Vice-President, Tax, and Comptroller. Michael J. Kurz has opened a new office in Manhattan Beach where he specializes in bankruptcy, estate planning, and general practice. Tobin A. Mills is Senior Counsel of City National Bank, Beverly Hills. Perry A. Novak was appointed First Vice President, Consulting Service, by Smith Barney Inc. He also received the Compass Award for his presentation entitled "Asset Management Under ERISA" at a national conference of financial executives. The

Honorable Joanne B. O'Donnell of the Los Angeles Municipal Court was featured in an article of the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*. Judith Babajian Roberts has opened her own law practice with offices in Whittier and Beverly Hills. Her practice will include family law, business, real estate, matters involving municipal agencies and mediation services.

1984 Maria Angeletti has been honored as recipient of the 1997 Distinguished Service Award for her commitment to community service and bar association activities by Women Lawyer's Association of Los Angeles. The Honorable Althea Baker was elected on the Board of Trustees for the Los Angeles Community College District. George G. Bayz became chief executive of MAI Systems Corp., Irvine. Gregory A. Bray was made a partner in the Los Angeles office of the New York-based firm Strook & Strook & Lavan. He is an insolvency and commercial lending attorney. Robert Edward Cendejas is the tax counsel for Texaco Refining & Marketing Inc. He was recently elected president of the Los Angeles County Taxpayers Association. Jean-Paul M. Menard has recently joined McKenna & Cuneo. Irene E. Ziebarth recently joined JAMS/ENDISPUTE, the nation's leading corporate provider of Alternative Dispute Resolution services. She will be based out of their office in Orange.

1985 Robert J. Buscho joined the firm of Dowdall Law Offices, with special emphasis in mobilehome park law, commercial, and bankruptcy litigation. Jennifer Landford Fuller is a partner in the law firm of Fenwick & West in Palo Alto, California. She was named by *Euromoney*, a London publication, as one of the "world's leading tax lawyers," as well as one of the "leading U.S. tax lawyers." Paul H. Greiner was among seven associates elevated to partner in the San Francisco firm Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe. He was a business and transactions attorney at the firm's Los Angeles office. Lee C. Heiman recently completed a second Bachelor's degree in biology and is preparing for the U.S. Patent Bar examination. J. Kevin Lilly was recently promoted to shareholder (partner) at Littler, Mendelson, Fastiff, Tichy & Mathiason's Los Angeles office. Stuart A. Smith was featured in the litigator profile section of the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*.

1986 Gisselle Acevedo-Franco was named MTA Director of Government Relations & Public Affairs. Vivian Alberts joined the Marina del Rey-based law firm of Berger, Kahn, Shafton, Moss, Figler, Simon & Gladstone as an associate.

Anthony O'Farrill continues his general law practice geared toward Latin and Spanish-speaking clients at his solo law office. **Rodell R. Rick** recently had an article published by the International Association of Chiefs of Police in their magazine entitled *The Police Chief*. He is currently lecturing around the State of California for the California Peace Officer's Association on liability matters. **Martha E. Romero** is currently with the firm of Alvarez-Glasman & Colvin, specializing in representing public entities who are creditors in bankruptcy proceedings. She was recently appointed to Senator Boxer's Judicial Advisory Board and nominated for the Los Angeles County Bar Board of Trustees. She will be the graduation speaker this year at Loyola's La Raza graduation ceremony. **Alan J. Stomel** practices bankruptcy law at the law firm of Angel and Neistat in downtown Los Angeles.

1987 **Michael Fiszer**, in addition to his solo practice, was Goalkeeper for the 1997 major division champions "Cosmos Waves," in the Los Angeles Municipal Soccer League. He will be competing in the semi-professional super metro-division in 1997-98. **Sandra C. Gordon** is working in Orlando, Florida with the law office of Greenberg, Traurig, Hoffman, Lipoff, Rosen & Quental, P.A., specializing in securities and general corporate law. **Jeffrey P. Grogin** recently announced the opening of Samaha & Grogin's San Francisco office. **Francine B. Kelly** was recently named a partner in the Los Angeles office of Gilbert, Kelly, Crowley & Jennett. She is a civil litigator, focusing on vehicular, personal injury, insurance law and premises liability matters. **Joseph A. Kritzer** is practicing at the Torrance offices of Tarlow & Tarlow, specializing in worker's compensation law. **Julie I. Pierce (Perkal)** is a senior attorney with Toshiba American Information Systems, Inc. She recently served on a CEB panel with other Loyola alums, **Fred T. Ashley**, **Brian Brown**, and **Eric Sohlgren '92**. The Honorable **Eric T. Sanders** serves as a Superior Court judge in Anchorage, Alaska. **Michael S. Turner** was named a partner in the Los Angeles firm of Hill, Farrer & Burrill, LLP. Turner specializes in business litigation. **Melissa N. Widdifield** was elevated to partner by Los Angeles' Talcott, Lightfoot, Vandavelde & Sadowsky. She will continue to concentrate in the area of criminal defense in addition to her practice in civil and civil rights litigation. **Terry Anne Woodward** has started a sole practice where she specializes in independent contractor cases.

1988 **David Bolstad**, an attorney with Mayer, Brown & Platt, is the lead singer in a five-

member rock 'n' roll band called the Usual Suspects, consisting of three lawyers, a paralegal and a former computer technician. **Judy Driver** has opened up her own law firm in downtown San Bernardino where she practices bankruptcy, family law and civil litigation. **Kelly L. Hensley** of Sheppard Mullin's labor and employment department was recently made a partner in Los Angeles. **Suzanne Jones** is a shareholder with the Los Angeles intellectual property firm of Pretty, Schroeder & Poplawski. **Kevin McDonnell** has been appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer of Santa Ana-based Rockford Industries, a provider of equipment financing and related services to the healthcare industry. **Barbara L. Tang** was installed as 1997 president of the Orange County Japanese American Lawyers Association. She is a partner with Alvarado, Smith, Villa & Sanchez, specializing in public utility regulatory work.

1989 **Lawrence C. Ecoff** has become a shareholder of the firm now known as Vorzimer, Garber, Masserman & Ecoff in Beverly Hills. **Karen Nielsen Higgins** was named as a real estate and insolvency partner with Loeb & Loeb LLP, based in the firm's downtown Los Angeles office. **Matthew L. Kinley** has been promoted to partner at the Los Angeles office of Tredway, Lumsdaine & Doyle. Kinley was also elected to the Downey Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors. **John C. Miller, Jr.** recently became a partner in the Sacramento law firm of Hardy, Erich, Brown & Wilson.

1990 **Sue Bendavid-Arbiv** will join **David Laufer '67** in Arter & Hadden's announced new office opening in Woodland Hills. **Barry A. Gordon** became of counsel to the Santa Monica-based law firm of Brestoff & Winston. **Andrew C. Janecki** is in private practice in Santa Cruz, CA. His focus is on criminal defense and appeals. **Donald E. Landis, Jr.**, along with Alicia Tao, has recently returned from a six month trip around the world. **Karen (Poston) Miller** joined her husband **Kenneth M. Miller** in his Santa Ana practice focusing on federal criminal defense and plaintiff's constitutional and statutory torts. **Karen Fienberg Oster** is now an associate specializing in patent law with the firm of Chernoff, Vilhaven, McClung and Stenzel in Portland, OR. **Jesús D. Pérez** has successfully completed training and has been certified to serve as a temporary judge. **Daniel Reiss** joined the Law Offices of Angel and Neistat, specializing in corporate reorganizations, bankruptcy, and creditor committee representation. **Alison J. Vitacolonna** has opened her own law firm in Santa Ana where she practices employment

disagreements, disability law, and medical malpractice.

1991 **Hillary S. Bibicoff** joined the Los Angeles-based law firm of Greenberg, Glusker, Fields, Claman & Machtinger LLP. She will practice in the firm's transactional entertainment department. **Alan Cyrlin** has joined the Chan Law Group P.L.C. and specializes in intellectual property. **Kathleen DeVaney** joined the Los Angeles-based real estate firm Pircher, Nichols & Meeks as an associate. **Michael Harrison** has taken a new job with Bottum & Felton. **Barbara Metzger Kay** opened her own law practice in La Verne, CA. Her primary area of practice is employment law representing plaintiffs, but she also represents small businesses, advising them on employment law issues and informing them of state and federal law requirements relating to employer-employee relationships. **Lori A. Shafton** has joined her colleague, **Lawrence C. Ecoff '89**, at Vorzimer, Garber, Masserman & Ecoff in Beverly Hills. **Sonia J. Ransom** recently became associated with Allen, Matkins, Leck, Gamble & Mallory, LLP. **Leslie Stafford** joined the Office of General Counsel, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in Dallas, Texas.

1992 **Barbara Boarnet** left her firm in December '96 to do independent contracting, handling a wide range of legal services and enjoying spending more time with her not-yet-one-year old. **Mary Burkin** has a starring role in Shakespeare's "The Tempest," to be produced by Nevada Shakespeare in Henderson, Nevada. She has also been elected to the Congress of States of the Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) National Convention in Salt Lake City. Burkin currently serves as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Exceptional Children's Foundation in Los Angeles, and also on the governing board of the California ARC. **Mark S. Devore** was recently promoted to the felony calendar, based in Fullerton, at the North Orange County Courthouse. **David J. P. Kaloyanides** has joined Howrey & Simon. Kaloyanides will practice antitrust and commercial litigation. **Stefan Kirchanski** has recently joined the Costa Mesa office of Graham & James. He specializes in biotech and medical devices in his intellectual property practice. **Celia Moutes-Lee** recently joined the firm of Sedgwick, Detert, Moran & Arnold. **Eric Sohlgren** continues to practice employment law and related litigation with Payne & Fears in Irvine.

1993 **Kevin J. Faust** has joined Hanibal Industries. **Judith Fournier German**

became a prosecutor for the county counsel's office of Los Angeles. **Steven M. Goldsobel** left the U.S. Department of Justice in Washington D.C. to join the litigation group of McDermott, Will & Emery in Century City. **Leslie Gordon** will be pursuing a masters degree in journalism at Stanford University beginning in fall 1997. **Glen T. Jonas**, of the Law Firm Jonas & Driscoll, wrote an article entitled "Court-Appointed Experts for Indigents" published in the expert advice column of the May 1997 edition of *California Lawyer Magazine*. **Lynne E. Mallya** has joined the Los Angeles-based office of Chadbourne & Parke LLP. Mallya will focus primarily on product liability and commercial litigation.

1994 **Yvette M. Abich** has been appointed as Assistant City Attorney for the City of Bell Gardens. **Chris Adishian** has joined the corporate finance department of the investment banking firm Montgomery Securities. He is based in San Francisco and his emphasis is on the hospitality industry, primarily lodging, timeshare and gaming companies. **Juliet D. Fisher** works as a public defender in the City of Corona. **Jay K. Footlik**, former Special Assistant to the President, Office of Public Liaison, has joined the Washington D.C. office of Ruder Finn as vice president. **Bert C. Hensley** was named vice-president of the Los Angeles office of Korn/Ferry International, focusing on professional services, retail and manufacturing companies. Prior to joining Korn/Ferry, he was a general partner of Meridian Strategies Inc. **Andrew W. Hutton** is in his third year at Milberg, Weiss, Bershad, Hynes & Lerach, a plaintiff's class action practice specializing in securities, consumer and insurance fraud. **Braulio Montesino** recently became an associate at Foley, Lardner, Weissburg and Aronson. **David Newdorf** recently finished a clerkship for U.S. District Judge Charles A. Legge, Northern District of California. **Anthony M. Ramos** won a seat on the Rio Hondo School District Board. **Pauline Martin Rosen** recently established her own practice in South Bay. She just had her first published case, *Bishopp v. Dept. of the Air Force*. **Damon S. Wright** has been appointed to the firm of Allen & Caron Inc. as an account manager, responsible for implementing client financial and investor relations programs.

1995 **Wendy L. Benjamin** joined the law firm of Cooper & Smith as an associate, focusing in commercial law and bankruptcy. **Lynda Chung** currently practices business and construction litigation at the Westwood law firm of Bergman & Wedner. **Avi Friedman** recently joined Wolfsdorf Associates in Pacific Palisades. He specializes in immigration and nationality law with an emphasis

on business and entertainment related immigration matters. **Michael B. Gurien** recently joined the firm Paul & Janofsky. **Jim McHenry** is an attorney with the Marine Corps JAG and will soon be stationed at Camp Pendleton, CA. **Thomas Rouse**, an associate at Lyon & Lyon, was admitted to the patent bar and is licensed to practice before the Patent and Trademark Office. **Vikki L. Vanderwoude** has joined the firm of Dummy, King, White & Gire in Costa Mesa, specializing in business and real estate litigation. **Tal Vigderson** has joined the firm of Jeffer, Mangels, Butler & Marmaro in their entertainment department. **Karen Weiner** recently joined the Dependency Court Legal Services.

1996 **Erika C. Anzoategui** was appointed to the position of Deputy Public Defender I in Los Angeles. **Matthew F. Batezel** has joined the law firm of Even, Crandall, Wade, Lowe & Gates in Irvine where he will be working primarily in the area of bad faith. **Bill Brockschmidt** and **Jim McCoy** have opened a general practice law firm with an emphasis in estate planning in Irvine after working as paralegals on the *Americare* case with the U.S. Attorney's Office. **Melvin Chung** is an associate at Ross & Associates P.C. specializing in international trade and customs law. He is co-founder of Universal Pharmsource EMC, Ltd., an export management company. **Shaun Clark** has joined the firm of Buchalter, Nemer, Fields and Younger. Clark will specialize in real property, real estate finance and entertainment matters. **Dawn M. Craig** has joined the Law Offices of Cheong & Denove as an associate, practicing in the areas of civil litigation, with an emphasis in personal injury, medical malpractice, legal malpractice and insurance bad faith. **Pooya Dayanim** has established the law firm of Dayanim & Associates in Beverly Hills which specializes in investment-based and employment-based immigration. He gave several lectures on business immigration and visas in Monte Carlo, Cannes, France and also Cologne and Berlin, Germany and is currently hosting a radio program on immigration law for the Iranian community in California. **Robert C. English** opened a solo practice in Torrance, California last December, specializing in criminal defense, family law and litigation. **Brian M. Good** recently joined the Century City law firm of Troy & Gould as an associate specializing in real estate. **Sergio A. Gutierrez** joined the Laguna Beach firm Levin & Gluck as an associate. **Andrew Holmes** has joined Frontier Pacific Insurance as an in-house trial attorney. **John Horn** heads up ADR International, Inc. in Los Angeles and the growing company was recently featured in the *Wall Street Journal* and the *Los Angeles Daily Journal*.

Lamdien ("Dien") Le is a new staff attorney for the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco. Currently, his assignment is in the Civil Research division. **Jonathan D. Levin** has opened his law and mediation offices in Los Angeles and his emphasis is on civil litigation, personal injury, entertainment law, family law and mediation. **Jeffrey Lewis** recently joined the firm of Rosenberg & Koffman in Beverly Hills. **Kathryn E. Martin** is now an associate in the real estate department of Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth in Newport Beach. **Katherine Shaw** has accepted a position with the Dependency Court in Los Angeles. **Newel Lee Straus** has accepted a position as an attorney doing transactional work in Business Affairs for Buena Vista Television. **David M. Suhr** has joined Benjamin & Associates, P.C. as an associate. **Greg Townsend** is serving as staff counsel for Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy. **Bonnie A. Whaley** joined the law firm England, Whitfield, Schroeder & Tredway as an associate.

1997 **Elizabeth Avila Campos** was featured in the Santa Ana *Excelsior* for her successful completion of her law degree and future aspirations. **Nathalie Grenewitz** has won a writing competition for California law students, held by the International Law section of the State Bar of California. **Thomas Joseph Loftus** was recently featured in the Catalina Island *Avalon Bay News* for his graduation from Loyola Law School.

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In Remembrance of Ellen Ross '82

The law school experience of the Class of '82 was no different than most. We entered alone, but for most of us we left together, each of us having benefited from, endured, and in some instances, suffered through three years which would forever change our lives. We left together believing we had a bond. The friendships we established were strong. We talked about the bright future, the imminent bar exam and our desire to make an impact on the world with our new status.

Eighteen years later many of us have or are in the process of making that impact. We ascended to the ranks of partnership in law firms, we are trying the most difficult cases, we are drafting the most complex agreements, we are the major decision-makers in successful companies. We have fanned out to different states and countries. But, what happened top that bond we felt on graduation day? Indeed, there were so many things to do, so many people to meet, so many deals to close. When was the last real opportunity we had to think about those friends we made in law school?

Recently I learned of the tragic passing of Ellen Ross, one of my classmates. Ellen and I studied for our first year finals together. We helped each other understand the Rule of Perpetuities, the Younger-Abstention Doctrine and hundreds of other legal concepts. I do not remember details of many of these concepts. I do, however, remember studying with Ellen, and together reaching an understanding of how to apply these legal creatures.

Ellen's death has brought me back in contact with many of my classmates with whom I have not communicated in years. We always think there will be time to reminisce or get together with our law school friends. However, the demands of the legal profession too often makes it impossible to find the time to maintain these contacts - - and that's unfortunate. Ellen and I spoke about six months ago, but we hadn't seen each other in years. During our infrequent discussions, we talked about how busy she was in Washington, D.C., and how busy I was in Northern California. We never found the time to get together. However, since Ellen's death, several of her classmates have re-established contact, and for that we are all grateful. However, it is unfortunate that it took a tragedy to spark this reunion. Thanks, Ellen, for the memories. We will miss you.

Scott R. Mosko '82

Engagements & Marriages

The **Honorable Benjamin J. Cayetano '71**, governor of Hawaii, married Vicky Liu, co-founder of United Laundry Services on May 5, 1997. Cayetano is currently the highest-ranking Filipino-blooded American to occupy a public post in an American state. **Barbara A. Kallins '84** is engaged to be married to David Matty, the Director of Research & Development of Rockwell Semiconductor's San Diego Division. The wedding is planned for May and the couple will reside in Carlsbad, California. **Jay B. Lake '86** married Karen Foster on August 2, 1997. **David Mittleman '87** married Lisa Goycochea on June 1, 1997. **Suzanne Jones '88** married Casey Heeg in August. **Jennifer Pancake** announced her engagement to Jonathan Fay. **Sharilyn Christiansen '89** married Joseph Hoon, an investment banker from San Francisco, in September in St. Helena, CA. **Karen Dana Fienberg '90** married Michael Arthur Oster in May. **Edward J. Morales '92** announced his engagement to Lisa Marie Schembari. **Peter John Pitchess II '93** announced his engagement to Teri Anne Saidel. **Juliet D. Fisher '94** is engaged to marry Scott Grossman, a fellow deputy public defender in Riverside County. **Robert Jacobsen '95** married classmate Ann Diga '95. **Lynda Chung '95** married Kevin Almeter of Cummins & White in October 1996. **Darlynn E. Campbell '96** has become engaged to Jack Morgan. **Andrew Holmes '96** and **Dorothy Vinski '97** married in October, 1997. **Michelle M. McCormick** married Eric Troyan. **Todd Waldman** became engaged to **Rebecca Hakakha** on Valentine's Day.

Births & Adoptions

Eileen Marie Bernes '82 announces the birth of her daughter, Laura Bernes. **Lori M. Morton '83** and her husband are proud to announce the birth of their son, Mathew, born September 25, 1997. **Kenneth Miller '86** and wife, Jan, adopted a son, Max. **Martha E. Romero '86** adopted a beautiful active 2-year old, Rose Louisa. **Joseph P. Furman '87** and **Staci L. Weinzoff '88** welcomed their second daughter, Danielle Sienna urman, on October 13, 1997. **Dennis B. Kass '88** and his wife, Stacey, are pleased to announce the birth of their third son, Ryan Daniel, on August 12, 1996. **Lawrence C. Ecoff '89** and his wife, Terri Law Ecoff '91, are expecting their first child, a daughter, in May. **Jon S. Walluck '89** and **Vickie L. (Michael) Walluck '89** are the proud parents of 3 children, Caitlin, Tara and Michael. **Michael Walsh '90** and his wife are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Ethan T. Walsh, born February 25, 1997. **Sally Brajevich '91** and her husband **Joe Brajevich '92** are proud to announce the birth of their second child, Mario, born February 21, 1997. **Mitchell Green '91** and his wife Marla welcome the birth of their second son Alexander, born February 17, 1997. **Susan D. McCortney '91** and her husband are proud to announce the arrival of their new baby, Matthew, born September 20, 1997. **Keith Schulner '92** and his wife Debbie announce the birth of daughter Eliana Davida Schulner, born on her mother's birthday. **Cynthia Anderson-Barker '93** has adopted Ethan Sutton Barker. **David Newdorf '94** was blessed with his second son, Jacob Newdorf Sindel, born on December 4. **Judith Ann Heinz '94** is delighted to announce the birth of her three sons, William John, Joseph Peter, and Michael James, born shortly after midnight on January 1, 1997. **Deann Doornbos Carroll '95** is proud to announce the birth of her second child, Cassidy Virginia, born December 1, 1995. **Leslie J. Mc Shane** adopted a beautiful baby-girl, Martha "Clare" Mc Shane. **Eric Sohlgren** and his wife Paula finalized the adoption of their daughter, Amanda Kathleen, on May 5, 1997. **Doug Griffith '96** and **Susana Griffith '99** welcomed son John Roderick Griffith on August 27, 1997.

Please keep the Alumni Office updated with your current home and business addresses - and don't forget to send us your e-mail address!

IN MEMORIAM

The Honorable John Shidler '37, who served 21 years as Los Angeles Superior Court judge before his retirement, died at the age of 86.

Richard Ambrose Fitzgerald '42 who co-founded a Riverside law firm and served as president of the Riverside County Bar Association, passed away in June of this year.

David T. Griffith '43 passed away July 19, 1997, after 53 years of practice.

Myron L. Geron '47 passed away in March of this year.

The Honorable William A. Friedrich '50, retired San Bernardino County municipal court judge, died this past July.

William A. Kurlander passed away on May 13, 1997.

Joseph Simpson '52 passed away December 23, 1996.

Russell Dean Jones '57 passed away May 30, 1997.

Joseph Charles Barron '63, Deputy City Attorney, Huntington Beach, passed away on June 28, 1997.

The Honorable Ernest Aubry '69 passed away on February 28, 1997. He served on the Los Angeles Municipal Court.

Allan E. Tebbetts passed away January 4, 1997.

Edward D. MacFarlane '73 passed away April of this year, survived by his wife and three children.

William Henry Thomas '78 passed away on June of this year.

Barbara Elizabeth Roberts '79 passed away on July 7, 1997. In her honor, a scholarship fund has been established at Loyola Law School to assist students with financial need.

Ellen Ross '82, former Assistant Director of the Securities Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C., died recently.

*Be a hero
be a mentor*

to a current student or recent graduate



The Loyola Law School Mentor Program has gotten off to a very good start. Through La Raza, the Women's Roundtable, and an open call to both alumni and students, approximately 200 mentor pairs have been established.

The Mentor Program was kicked off at an informal afternoon get together hosted by the Law School Alumni Office. It was in early October that over 80 students and alumni met one another and other mentors and students at the Loyola Marymount campus. Some students and mentors met their match at this event, others had arranged earlier to get acquainted and used this event to further their relationship and hone their mutual networking skills.

A number of students and very recent graduates are still seeking appropriate mentors. Matches are made dependent on a variety of factors, the most important of which is the practice area of the mentor, the next being geographic area in which both alumni and student live or work. Currently there are a good number of students still seeking mentors who practice in the area of entertainment law, environmental law, immigration law, and intellectual property law. Alumni who can make the necessary commitment to this program are urged to contact the Alumni Relations Office to volunteer. The rewards are great - for both the alumnus and the student.

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are available now and offered as a special gift suggestion for the holidays. This spectacular performance will take place on Sunday, April 26, 1998 at 7:30 pm at the Pantages Theatre in Hollywood.

Please telephone Elizabeth Fry, Development Office, at 213/736-1096 for reservations. A limited number of tickets are available. Members of the Dean's Forum will be given priority consideration.

Our apologies We misspelled the name of Keefer, O'Reilly, Ferrario & Lubbers in a recent Loyola Lawyer.

In the Spring/Summer edition of the Loyola Lawyer, we erroneously identified McDermott, Will & Emery as a co-sponsor of the Western Conference on Tax-Exempt Organizations.