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MARYLAND CAREY LAW NURTURES OPPORTUNITY



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One of the best parts of being dean is the opportunity to visit with and hear stories from alumni about their career journey and how their experience at Maryland Carey Law impacted their journey. For some the path was very direct, and their legal careers aligned with their expectations. For most, however, their career path was more like an exciting whitewater rafting trip, with many dips, turns, and thrills. In almost all of the stories, the law degree from Maryland Carey Law formed the foundation for analytical thinking and problem-solving that primed the storyteller to succeed in their ultimate endeavor.

In this issue of the Maryland Carey Law magazine, you will learn about the ways Maryland Carey Law nurtures opportunity.

Our cover story highlights the journey of several of our alumni interested in business law from law school to becoming in-house counsel. It also highlights our Business Law Fellowship that has allowed our students to explore careers in business and as in-house

counsel. Another article celebrates our Master of Science in Law program that debuted in 2015. The MSL is designed for non-lawyers who desire a stronger legal background to support work in their field.

Maryland Carey Law continues to embrace diversity and inclusion as part of its core mission. We are thrilled to celebrate the Black Law Student Association's (BLSA) 50th anniversary. We look back on the history of our BLSA chapter and the impact it continues to have today in expanding opportunities for its members. We are proud that our JD program has the highest percentage of African-American students of any law school ranked among the top 50 in the nation by *U.S. News & World Report*.

We are also proud to announce the Erin Levitas Initiative for Sexual Assault Prevention at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. Erin Levitas was set to enroll at Maryland Carey Law in the fall of 2015, but a rare form of cancer prevented her from enrolling and later took her life. Erin wanted to use the law to address issues surrounding sexual violence. This new groundbreaking initiative will carry on Erin's vision by doing the work she would have done had she become a lawyer.

Lawyers change the world. We do it in many different ways and in very different fields. As dean at Maryland Carey Law, I am proud of the rich curriculum, innovative programs, thoughtful faculty, dedicated staff, and engaged alumni who help prepare our students for life beyond law school. Thanks to you, we will continue to create and nurture opportunity for our students.



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by Arichele Noiciechousti When Veta T. Richardson graduated from the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law in 1986, she was the only one from her class who began working immediately as in-house corporate counsel. "That path was extremely unusual at the time," says Richardson, the President and CEO of the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC), a global organization based in Washington, D.C. Richardson knew early in life that she wanted to attend law school and then do transactional work for a Fortune 500 company. "That was my goal," she says.

However, that was not the typical way of doing things. "The path had consistently been to graduate from law school, go to a larger law firm, and then move in-house. That's how the majority of people found their in-house positions," explains Richardson. A summer internship at Sunoco where Richardson offered to work for free because the paid ones were filled—led to her first in-house counsel position.

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— Veta T. Richardson '86

Christine Edwards '83 also found herself on the road less traveled. Edwards, the chair of Winston & Strawn's bank regulatory practice, landed her first corporate counsel position while she was still in law school. She was interested in a position in Sears' government relations group, but despite her qualifications and company knowledge, she was not yet an attorney at the time of the interview.

In a 2012 interview with Law.com, Edwards explained that she told the vice president of

government relations, "Here's what we can agree to. I'll finish law school in two years, take the bar exam, and if for some reason I don't pass, you can fire me." They took her up on the challenge, and the rest was history. Edwards went on to spend nearly 30 years with Morgan Stanley, the last 10 years as chief legal officer. Her unique path included her achieving the distinction as the first woman general counsel on Wall Street.



The path for Darah McCray Okeke '07, Senior Employment Counsel at Uber Technologies, Inc. in San Francisco, California, was more typical. While in law school, Okeke worked as a summer associate for a 200+ attorney regional firm. After graduating, she became a first-year associate in the firm's Labor & Employment practice group, where she stayed for nearly seven years. At just more than a year away from partnership, Okeke knew that route wasn't for her. "My passions, strengths, and goals more closely aligned with a career as in-house counsel and ultimately an executive leader," she explains.

Her next position was as Vice President, Legal Counsel at a leading management company for retirement communities. While Okeke really enjoyed her first in-house opportunity and introduction to executive leadership, after three years she was open to a change. "I was ready for an exciting, new challenge and the chance to really flex my in-house muscle in an emerging industry where I could focus more specifically on the workplace equity issues that interested me," says Okeke. That position was at Uber. Megan M. Arthur '86, Senior Vice President and General Counsel for the University of Maryland Medical System Corporation, went the traditional route as well with a position at Venable, first in labor and employment and then in corporate health care. Her next job was at an HMO owned by CareFirst, then she worked for Magellan Health Services for a decade before moving to her current job in 2004.

"If you want to be a general counsel, I think it is important to be exposed to the various legal issues facing the company, not those in your particular specialty. The general counsel is really a jack of all trades," Arthur explains. "You need to be conversant in many areas of law—not an expert but proficient enough to guide the business leaders through the legal thicket."

Why the Change?

This newer trend—to go directly from law school to an in-house counsel entry-level position—is gradually growing. According to a 2018 survey conducted by the ACC, of the 5,000 respondents from 60 countries worldwide, 15 percent went directly from law school to working as in-house counsel.

"Had we done this survey 10 years ago, I'm confident that number would've been substantially lower," says Richardson.

One reason for the change is simply the evolution of the world and the evolution of business strategies along with it. "Traditionally, companies have desired attorneys with years of legal experience, particularly at large law firms," says Okeke. "[But now] more and more companies namely startups and tech companies—are balking tradition and opting to hire junior lawyers as corporate counsel to develop their own legal experts with historical insider knowledge, manage major projects and initiatives, and/or reduce outside counsel spending."

Programs such as Maryland Carey Law's Business Fellowship Program address this need and nurture in-house experiences for aspiring lawyers. "These new in-house opportunities are growing at a rapid rate, and it's critical for candidates, especially junior lawyers, to get as much practical experience as possible—all the more reason the trend of corporate legal fellowship programs is a great one that will likely continue," Okeke said.

"As Business Fellows, students get a chance to delve into areas of law and a range of business issues that are new to them," says Dana Morris, Assistant Dean for Career Development at Maryland Carey Law. The experience is also unique because, Morris explains, they work closely with highly experienced business attorneys and executives who direct the corporate enterprise. "Without that kind of exposure and mentorship, fellows would not otherwise be able to gain such a deep experience in such short time."

Fellowships: The Give and Take

Affording Fellows this invaluable experience would not be possible without the support of Maryland Carey Law's alumni and friends. At the outset of Maryland Carey Law's Business Fellowship Program in 2015, Edward Shumsky '73, a member of the Board of Visitors, and his wife, Sue Kronick, quickly embraced the importance of the program. "Their leadership, expertise, and financial support allowed us to craft a program that met the educational needs of our students, while diversifying our access to career offerings," Donald B. Tobin, dean at Maryland Carey Law, remarked. The endowed Shumsky-Kronick Fellowship supports a Summer Fellow each year. Additional early supporters include William J. Pittler '59 and The Honorable Robert McGowan '84 and his wife, Lydia McGowan.

There are two types of Business Fellowships: Summer Fellowships for rising 3L students, during which they work with employers for 10 weeks, gaining necessary skills for corporate work, and Postgraduate Fellowships for new alumni who work with employers for a year after graduation. Like judicial clerkships, companies that employ Postgraduate Fellows are not required to hire them after the conclusion of the Fellowship. But since the program began just three years ago, many of them have.

One such graduate is Skylar Ludwick '16. In August of that year, she began her Fellowship at Brown Advisory (after having completed a Summer Fellowship at T. Rowe Price in 2015). In April 2017, she was offered a full-time position at the company. She accepted and is now Associate Counsel. "I was honored," she says of getting the job. Speaking of her Fellowship, Ludwick says, "The scope of the work that I was exposed to right out of school is something that you'd be hardpressed to find anywhere else during the first year of a legal career. Working as part of a business, you are experiencing something different every single day."

Brett Rogers '02, General Counsel of Brown Advisory, states that the company accepts a single year-long Fellow each year-after a rigorous screening and interview process. "Business Law Fellows at Brown Advisory are able to spend a year working in a dynamic, challenging environment learning how in-house attorneys support a rapidly growing investment firm. Fellows participate in the work our legal team performs by keeping the firm compliant with myriad regulations, providing legal advice to the business, helping to reduce risk, and keeping our clients well informed and protected. Across the firm, we work with nearly 600 colleagues in eight offices in the United States and the UK and manage nearly \$70 billion in client assets. It's an environment that affords attorneys the opportunity to solve complex challenges, experience a wide variety of legal and non-legal matters, and have tangible, positive impact through their efforts," Rogers explains. "Graduates' work product goes into use, not a filing cabinet."

At Brown Advisory, Fellows are treated like full-time employees from the beginning. Rogers

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— Dean Dana Morris

admits that there's a steep learning curve, but the payoff is worth it. "Graduates gain exposure to the universe of investment adviser regulation an area of law that rarely receives more than cursory attention in law school—and how it is applied practically, in a firm with a variety of client types, investment strategies, and ways of delivering strategic advice," he says. "Working as



in-house counsel requires flexibility, creativity, and the ability to work with a variety of teams and personalities. This experience helps graduates get enough exposure to determine whether they enjoy that type of role, and if so, how to position themselves for their next career step after Fellowship—whether at Brown Advisory or elsewhere."

Marissa Johnson '17, also worked as a Fellow for a year at Brown Advisory and recently accepted a position as Associate Counsel. "These Fellowships are so important because many recent law graduates need hands-on, entry-level training that many firms do not see the value in providing. There is a gap in the job market that ignores those who are eager and willing to put in the time to learn, but not many are willing to teach them. These Fellowships fill that gap and provide a solid foundation for new attorneys to build upon," Johnson says.

Darrell Braman '88, Vice President and Managing Counsel of the legal department for T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc., has worked with a number of Fellows and says that it's refreshing to talk with younger law students and get their perspectives. As for the Fellows' benefits, he says, "In some programs like ours, they move around into various practice groups within the legal department and get a variety of experiences, whether it be working on intellectual property issues, regulatory issues involving mutual funds, litigation matters, or other areas typical of a global financial services firm." Braman adds that having T. Rowe Price on a resume early in the Fellows' careers can open doors for them during their job searches.

For Courtney Kuhn '17, in-house counsel with JKH Properties, LLC, her Summer Fellowship at T. Rowe Price was invaluable because she was exposed to experiences that she otherwise wouldn't have had until she had worked as a lawyer for years. "I worked with brilliant people while working on securities and compliance policies. I learned how attorneys negotiate with big banks and large clients," says Kuhn. "It's important to give students an opportunity to be exposed to business law."

In 2017, Qingqing Wu '18, held a Summer Fellowship at T. Rowe Price and enjoyed it so much that she applied for—and received—a Postgraduate Fellowship for 2018-19. "I have a strong interest in cross-border transactions and international business law, so I'm thrilled to be able to work at the international law division. I am fluent in Mandarin Chinese, so I also hope to use my language skills when I work with T. Rowe Price's legal teams in Asia," Wu says.

Although T. Rowe Price does not typically hire recent graduates, Braman says that with over 200 legal department associates worldwide, "we could actually hire an intern coming out of this program if there's an opportunity in the future." For example, someone like Wu, who can also speak Mandarin Chinese, could eventually work in one of their Asia offices. Regarding the Fellowships, one thing is clear: They benefit both the Fellows, and the employers in ways neither could have imagined. "The corporation benefits from talented, innovative [Fellows]. They bring a lot of energy and enthusiasm," says Arthur, who is working with her fourth Fellow from the program. As for the Fellows, they are afforded the opportunity to embark on the path to corporate counsel and nurture their budding legal careers. "They have an opportunity to see how a corporate legal department works, and they receive daily guidance on how to actually be an attorney."

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- Megan M. Arthur '86



The Intellectual Property and Entrepreneurship Clinic Partnership

BY LAURA LEE

In April 2018, the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law Intellectual Property and Entrepreneurship Clinic (IPEC) proudly announced its partnership with five prominent law firms. The partnership will foster experiential learning opportunities for future IP and corporate lawyers, as well as help drive economic growth in the Baltimore/Washington area. Baker Donelson, Gordon Feinblatt, Offit Kurman, Perkins Coie, and Womble Bond Dickinson have aligned with Maryland Carey Law to mentor law students as they develop IP and corporate law experience, and will provide guidance and advice to law students and their IPEC clients.

With the generous support of the IPEC partner firms, in addition to funding supplied by UM Ventures, Maryland Carey Law students will provide intellectual property and business law assistance to emerging companies and small businesses in both the College Park and Baltimore areas. In Baltimore, IPEC offers services out of the Graduate Research Innovation District (the Grid) in the newly renovated Lion Brothers Building.

Maryland Carey Law students will have the benefit of the expertise and support of partner attorneys working in various areas of business and IP law, but they are not the only ones who benefit. The five participating firms will have the opportunity to form relationships with startups and young lawyers. "Meeting law students while they're still in school and getting exposure to these young businesses while they're setting up their companies and making intellectual property and business decisions is incredibly valuable," said Professor Patricia Campbell, faculty director of IPEC. The partner firms will also serve on an Advisory Board for the law school's IP Program and will provide occasional presentations and educational programming for startup companies and entrepreneurs.

"We're thrilled these five firms are joining forces with our IPEC to help ensure the sustainability of the program and maximize the positive impact it will have on the region's efforts around innovation and entrepreneurship," said Dean Donald Tobin. "Helping businesses succeed will increase jobs and create opportunities for worker training and employment in new and emerging business sectors."

GOING FURTHER WITH A MASTER OF SCIENCE IN LAW

By Christianna McCausland

Veronica McBeth '18 spent 15 years in the public sector, eventually becoming transit bureau chief for the Baltimore City Department of Transportation. She was not actively looking to leave her position, though she had contemplated a shift away from government work. When she assisted with a two-year National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) study for the Baltimore and Potomac Tunnel Project, her interest was piqued.

"I wanted to find a way to do more of that work, making sure that people who are under-represented have a voice when there are major events of environmental impact in their neighborhoods," she states.

A colleague mentioned a new program offered by Maryland Carey Law, a two-year Master of Science in Law (MSL) degree with an environmental law specialization. The program was the perfect fit to help the 38-year-old mother of two transition from the public to the private sector.

Mark Clarke '18

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"I had an executive level job with many demands, I'm the mom to two little kids, and I have many other commitments," McBeth explains. "I liked that this program was very dense and substantive, and really taught the material you need and would want to apply when you graduated."

McBeth graduated from the MSL program in 2018 but had a new position even before she graduated. She's now an associate planner with Kittelson & Associates, Inc., a transportation engineering and planning firm. Her new position enables her to apply the skills she gained locally in a national consultancy role.

McBeth's story exemplifies why the School commenced research into the creation of an MSL program approximately five years ago. José Bahamonde-González, associate dean for professional education, states that in his more than 25 years of recruiting for law schools, he frequently met individuals who were not interested in a full law degree, but who thought a few courses would be beneficial. The MSL program welcomed its inaugural class in 2015 to meet that need.

"We wanted to design a master's level education in law for working professionals who found themselves wanting legal knowledge to enrich their contributions in their professional field," says Bahamonde-González.

The MSL is a fully accredited degree with five tracks: environmental, healthcare, patent, cybersecurity, and homeland security and crisis management law. The specializations were carefully selected for professionals in fields where legal knowledge would bring the most value, like healthcare administrators who deal with regulatory compliance and malpractice, or a commercial development executive who needs to understand environmental legalities, for example.

In addition to the offered programs, the MSL program is also structured to allow working professionals to integrate their studies into their personal and professional lives, says Crystal Edwards, assistant dean for academic affairs at Maryland Carey Law.

"The program is part-time, and students complete the degree requirements in just four semesters," Edwards explained. "Evening classes allow students to attend class after work, and our online specialties give students more flexibility to complete the required coursework." The demand is real. This year alone the program has more than 100 students enrolled across all five specialties.

"The amount of contributions [graduates] can provide in the process of a litigation, in transactional work, in consulting, or just giving subject matter expertise, is tremendous," states Bahamonde-González. "And how much money and litigation can be saved if we can negotiate a case before it goes to the courts? A required course for everyone in the MSL is negotiation and alternative case resolution."

Cozanne Brent '17 is a senior clinical nurse in the pediatric cardiac surgery unit at University of Maryland Medical Center. Even though she works in healthcare, she found the MSL while looking online for resources to help her guide family members with health issues through the complexities of the health system.

Brent states that although she started the program for personal reasons, the program has been invaluable to her career, especially as her work involves overseeing research and clinical trials affiliated with the FDA.

"[The degree] has definitely helped me to step back and think about the legal and ethical decisions made for our patients," Brent states. "It helps me to know my patients' rights and my rights. I also was able to learn about lawsuits and how to stay on top of malpractice and things that can lead to malpractice, and the importance of making sure documentation is up to date and consents are informed and signed."

Since her graduation, Brent has taken on a new managerial role. She would eventually like to be a chief nursing officer for a hospital where she can translate government regulations into effective hospital policies. "I see a huge demand for nurses or others like me with a healthcare background to be included in decision making and policymaking," she states. "A lot [of regulation] comes out that doesn't work with nursing and patient care. I want to bridge that gap."

Bahamonde-González underscores that graduates are not lawyers and will not give legal advice, but as professionals with subject matter expertise, like Brent, knowledge of the law gives them an edge in the performance of their jobs.

Graduate Kristie Brooks '17 had considered law school, but at 34 years old was not sure she could

manage the time and expense. The MSL program in health law allowed her to get the foundation she needed in a format that met her professional goals. Previously Brooks worked at Johns Hopkins University with the technology transfer department, helping faculty commercialize devices and therapeutics.

"I wanted a better understanding of what the faculty would be facing so I could better steer them," says Brooks.

Brooks is now a consumer safety officer at the FDA, where her MSL knowledge helps her understand the many regulations and compliance requirements that guide her daily.

Robert McMullen '18 also works in compliance. As facilities manager for the Institute for Systems Research at the University of Maryland, College Park, he manages 14 different labs involved in technology activities. One of the younger MSL graduates, McMullen worked in the University's department of environmental safety after his graduation from the school in 2015 with a degree in chemical engineering.

McMullen knew he didn't want to work actively as an engineer, but he could see a future where he would apply his engineering knowledge in another position, perhaps at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. When he heard Bahamonde-González give a presentation on the MSL, he knew it would give his resume the diversity he needed. McMullen even mentioned the program to his father, Thomas McMullen, assistant to the provost at the University of Maryland, College Park. His father completed the MSL in Homeland Security and Crisis Management Law in 2018.

McMullen describes the program as rich with relevant, applicable course work. As his capstone project he edrafted a patent for an invention created by the lab where he worked. The success of that project netted McMullen an invitation to work for the university's office of technology commercialization. It's a tempting offer but one that might wait. McMullen decided to apply to law school with a focus on intellectual property.

"The law was something I never considered," says McMullen. "I always thought law was for political science managers and not people like me who play with equations."

"Going through these classes and seeing how most of my patent class faculty had science backgrounds showed me that you don't need

The Value of Cybersecurity Legal Education

By Markus Rauschecker



Markus Rauschecker '06 is the Cybersecurity Program Manager at the University of Maryland Center for Health and Homeland Security (CHHS). He has also developed and teaches two courses: "Law and Policy of Cybersecurity" and "Law and Policy of Cyber Crime." These courses are offered to JD, LLM, and MSL students at Maryland Carey Law. Cybersecurity is not just about technology. Indeed, cybersecurity has become an interdisciplinary problem that requires involvement from stakeholders in all types of positions. CEOs, government agency directors, lawmakers, policy makers, privacy officers, human resources specialists, and lawyers all have a role to play in improving cybersecurity.

While cybersecurity certainly requires technical expertise, there are also many critical legal and policy issues at stake. For example, government must craft effective and acceptable cybersecurity laws and regulations. As these new cybersecurity laws and regulations pass, organizations must know how to comply. Plus, everyone should develop plans and policies that outline how they prepare for, respond to, and recover from a cyber incident. At every stage, professionals who understand the relevant legal and policy issues are needed. a political science or writing background to understand the law and its applications. There's a place for someone who understands engineering to be a good lawyer."

McMullen is at the start of his career; Mark Clarke '18 is at the start of a new chapter in his. Clarke has spent 23 years in the U.S. military, including deployments in Iraq and Afghanistan. He is currently a senior analyst at the Joint Chiefs of Staff Office at the Pentagon. Now 52, Clarke is making plans for his retirement next year. Seeing the booming growth in cyber careers, he obtained a master's degree in cybersecurity policy. The MSL in cybersecurity law completed the education he needed for a competitive edge.

"It was the perfect union because a lot of things are done through policy and law—that's where the decisions are made and where long-term strategic planning is done," Clarke says. "I wanted to complement my military experience handling secure information and having cultural knowledge from placements overseas with cybersecurity credentials."

Clarke has already seen benefits from the program in his oral and written presentation skills. "I can look at documents and really question what they're saying and, in responding, I can be very clear in my approach. These are real benefits that show immediate results," he says.

As he works with recruiters, Clarke's resume is drawing attention. "I've received so much positive feedback and I'm very excited about the future," he states.

Clarke, like all students, can access professional development lectures and career counseling through the MSL. According to Bahamonde-González, the entirety of the program is focused on targeting professionals committed to improving their career contributions and prospects through a better understanding of the law.

"Everything in our lives now involves the law," says Bahamonde-González. "The law school now has the opportunity to attract these students and give them a sound opportunity to study that law."

Both government and the private sector are therefore searching for qualified individuals who can navigate legal and policy issues in cybersecurity. The demand for these professionals is growing rapidly. Graduates with a degree in the area of cybersecurity law and policy have the advantage of being able to demonstrate to employers that they have the knowledge required to fulfill the need.

Maryland is a premier place to pursue a career in cybersecurity, with many opportunities at all levels of government and the private sector. The state is often referred to as "the epicenter for cybersecurity" since it is the home of government agencies such as the National Security Agency (NSA), U.S. Cyber Command, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), and the National Cybersecurity Center of Excellence. Maryland's proximity to the nation's capital, where national cyber laws and policies are made, is also a benefit. Finally, Maryland has attracted hundreds of private cybersecurity firms that are supporting government agencies or developing new, cutting-edge technologies.

It's an exciting time to be involved in cybersecurity. The need for professionals with legal and policy expertise already exists, but the field is also still developing. Many of the legal and policy issues in cybersecurity are far from being settled. A person who decides to become involved in cybersecurity law and policy has a real opportunity to be part of lively debates involving fundamental rights, practical considerations, and exciting technological developments. Anyone currently involved in cybersecurity law and policy has the chance to shape the future of this field.

BLSA AT 50: HONORING THE PAST, CELEBRATING THE FUTURE

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By Laura Lee

Even though it was 50 years ago, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law Professor Larry S. Gibson remembers 1968 like it was yesterday.

"There had been racial tensions that turned into riots. There was activism around bringing the Vietnam War to an end. There was controversy within the Democratic Party and the tumultuous Democratic National Convention in Chicago," he recalls, ticking off a list of events that defined the year. It was a turbulent year that highlighted the growing racial schism in the United States. In February the Kerner Commission issued its famous report declaring the United States was "moving toward two societies, one black, one white-separate and unequal." And then on April 4, Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated, sparking riots across the country, and in Baltimore on April 6, resulting in six deaths and widespread damage across the city.

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"A lot went on in the turmoil of 1968 and folks found different ways to respond," says Gibson, who also serves as faculty adviser for the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) at Maryland Carey Law. "One of the ways was the spawning of political groups and legal groups."

BLSA's Beginnings

At what was then known as the University of Maryland Law School, four students: David Allen '69, The Honorable William H. "Billy" Murphy, Jr. '69, Norris Ramsey '70, and Turhan Robinson turned their frustration into activism



by becoming the founding members of the Maryland Law chapter of the Black American Law Students Association (BALSA).

BALSA, which became the National Black Law Students Association (NBLSA), came into being at the New York University School of Law in 1968. It was the brain child of Algernon "A.J." Cooper, who told *NYU Law Magazine* he created it to "be a bridge over troubled waters."

Allen recalls the four meeting for lunch on a late summer day in 1968 on Murphy's back porch to hash out the mission for the Maryland Law chapter. "Our main goals," Murphy says, "were to integrate the law school and support the black students so they would do well." They were determined to bring more black students to the law school and keep them there. "We knew we were going to make a change," Murphy says. "I was and am eternally optimistic."

The specter of Jim Crow hovered over the entire country, and Maryland Law was no exception. From daily student interaction to the PHOTO: Staff gather at the offices of Joseph Howard's campaign for Judge in Baltimore, Md. in 1968. The founders of Maryland Carey Law's BLSA Chapter and the organization's future advisor, Professor Larry S. Gibson, worked for the campaign.

administrative level, life as a black law student held its share of indignities.

Allen matter-of-factly recounts a personal story of an incident illustrating the need for a forum to voice African-American students' concerns.

When Allen was a first-year law student preparing for moot court, his adviser asked classmates to pair off into teams. Everyone paired off, and in fact, there were some groups of three, Allen recalls. "I was by myself. I was the only black student," he says. Allen didn't make an issue of his isolation. "I didn't see much point in raising hell, there was nobody to listen to me," and went through moot court by himself. When the judge asked him why he was alone, he simply said, "I was the odd man out."

It was those feelings of marginalization, being the "odd man out," that pushed the young law students to organize for themselves and for the students of color who would come after them. In 1968 there were four black students and no black faculty members. Those first pioneering students wanted that to change.

Strength in Numbers

The wheels of progress moved slowly, however, and despite gains, retention of black students remained an issue. Ed Smith Jr. '75, was president of BLSA from 1973-1974. He says out of 20 students who entered with him in 1972, only eight were left by 1973. "We decided we were going to take some action," recalls Smith. And by action, he meant civil disobedience. The mission was for BLSA members to chain the doors of the library and if necessary glue the pages of the American Law Reports series, crippling students' ability to research case law. The goal was to get their classmates readmitted to law school.

The night before the protest, Smith found out someone had alerted the authorities, and the Maryland State Police would be in position to make arrests in the morning. A steady rain the next day put a damper on the turnout—there were just three people including Smith—but the police had turned out in force.

"It was raining and we're standing there waiting for everybody else to show up, and we see the police standing on a bridge watching us. And they were just laughing because they had set up for this great big arrest," Smith recalls with a wry chuckle.



Alumni pose for a group photo at the Black Alumni 3rd Reunion & Symposium in September 2013.

That's when the school's only black professor, James Chandler, showed up and said, "Eddie, it's over." Smith ended up back in Chandler's office, where he expected to be reprimanded and kicked out of school. To his surprise, he was told to come to class the next day. The "protest" had its desired effect, however, because 8 of the 12 students were allowed to return to the law school to repeat a year. "We accomplished something and those people matriculated and graduated," says Smith.

Prestigious Graduates and Increasing Diversity

Fast forward nearly 50 years to the present day and things have changed for the better. Although the law school continues to press for a more diverse class, Maryland Carey Law is the top school for African-American enrollment among the top 50 law schools ranked by *U.S. News & World Report.* The change is part of a concerted effort that includes the 2017 launch of the Diversity and Inclusion Scholars Initiative, aimed at increasing minority representation in the legal field, and in 2016, the creation of a new position, Associate Dean for Diversity and Inclusion. Professor Russell McClain '95 is the first to serve in the new position.

Maryland Carey Law is not only a leader in diversity within the student body, but its graduates continue to be prominent leaders, including Rep. Elijah Cummings '76, former Baltimore Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake '95, Prince George's County State's Attorney Angela Alsobrooks '96, and Baltimore City Solicitor Andre Davis '78, who served as BLSA chapter president. Davis, who celebrated his 40th anniversary of graduating from law school this year, says looking back is valuable, but so is looking to the future. "It's very important we support those coming along behind to continue to build up the presence of lawyers of color in the profession," he says.

Law Students-Plus

While BLSA continues to play a role promoting social justice, it also serves to foster a sense of community in an atmosphere that can be socially isolating for all students, not just minorities. McClain '95 notes BLSA membership gave him an immediate sense of belonging. "I went to school in the '90s and Maryland was actually among the more diverse schools back then," he says. "But my BLSA membership created an instant opportunity for me to have colleagues with similar experiences who could support each other and really feel like we belonged in the building."

Murphy says that while membership encourages academic excellence and a sense of community, it can also play a role in future job prospects. "One of my criteria for young black lawyers that I'm going to hire is, 'Were you a member of BLSA?" he says, explaining, "I'm trying to cultivate a commonality of purpose and action." His firm, Murphy, Falcon & Murphy, which has a reputation for aggressive legal advocacy and a commitment to fighting for justice, represented the family of Freddie Gray following his death in police custody.

Active members of the Maryland Carey Law BLSA chapter enjoy networking opportunities, support and enrichment activities, and numerous social events designed to highlight diversity. Members also give back through community service projects, such as their neighborhood cleanup on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day this past January.

Incoming President Alexis Gbedmudu, 2L, says she wants to utilize her presidency to advocate for even more community work, including working with young people. As a soon-to-be lawyer, "I understand my privilege," she says. "I hope to utilize our privilege to mentor students who may seek to walk in our shoes but maybe can't see themselves in our shoes."

Smith agrees and hopes that black law students recognize that a license to practice law presents a unique responsibility. "They have a special tool in their hands and have to understand they are law students-plus," he says. "Every time they read the newspaper about some injustice they should understand who they are as potential leaders in their communities."

If President-elect Gbedmudu is any indication, the future of the Maryland Carey Law chapter of BLSA is in good hands. "BLSA gives us a forum that makes us better advocates, better thinkers and better speakers," she says. "It allows us to channel that spirit that was alive and well in 1968 and has really helped a lot of people to be the great advocates they are today." ■

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- Alexis Gbedmudu, 2L

Professor Larry S. Gibson (right) gives a tour of the Thurgood Marshall exhibit at the Black Alumni 2nd Reunion & Symposium in September 2008.





THE LEGACY OF ERIN LEVITAS











Erin's plan was to graduate from Wake Forest University and start at Maryland Carey Law the following fall. She intended to use her law degree to help sexual assault survivors and to work to make prevention of sexual assault a top priority. She planned to spend the summer traveling with friends and vacationing with her family before getting to work to realize her dreams. Her future was full of promise until stomach pain turned into a trip to the hospital, which turned into emergency surgery, which turned into a diagnosis that would upend her world. Erin had Ewing's sarcoma, a rare form of cancer.

Her first day of chemotherapy coincided with her last day of classes as an undergraduate. She walked across the stage at graduation feeling the after-effects. Her treatment regimen meant she would have to defer admission to Maryland Carey Law for at least a year to focus on the fight ahead.

After months of some of the most aggressive chemotherapy available, scans revealed that Erin's cancer had returned and spread. Although Erin continued her treatment, and wrote an amazing blog chronicling her fight, Erin passed away on January 16, 2016.

Carrying On Erin's Wishes

In the wake of losing Erin, her family formed the Erin Levitas Foundation to "fund the work Erin had hoped to accomplish in her lifetime." The foundation is launching the Erin Levitas Initiative for Sexual Assault Prevention at the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law (Levitas Initiative).

The Levitas Initiative seeks to take an innovative approach to preventing sexual assault. The program focuses on children, as early as middle school, and seeks to combat "destructive ideas that give rise to sexual violence" and to help "undo the damage such attitudes cause."

Erin's family is excited to be able to honor her legacy and continue her work to aid sexual assault survivors.

Wende Levitas, Erin's mother, explains, "I think this is what Erin would really want. If we can do something for her, I feel like she's smiling down at us and cheering us on and saying 'OK, you can do this for me."

Her father, Michael Levitas, echoed Wende's sentiments. "Had Erin survived the cancer, she would be a very outspoken advocate for women's

rights," he says. "She would make sure that at a younger age people would understand the meaning of respecting other people's rights."

Erin's grandfather, Leonard Attman, agrees, "I think Erin would be extremely excited and she would jump right in and begin to tell us all the people that she wanted to help, whether it was lower school, middle school, high school, even on to colleges. She was trying to bring that message even as she was becoming ill. She knew that she wanted to come to the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. She wanted to make it a specific message that when she graduated she was going to be there to help children of all ages, of all types, of all creeds, colors, religions, and races, to become safe and sound in their way of life."

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Wende Levitas

The Nuts And Bolts

The Levitas Foundation and Maryland Carey Law share a sweeping vision for the initiative. Dean Donald Tobin explains, "Our vision is to create a national program that addresses the underlying attitudes that lead to sexual violence. This initiative unites two of our strongest programs, our Center for Dispute Resolution (C-DRUM) and our Gender Violence Clinic, to create a curriculum so our students, under the supervision of our faculty, are able to go into elementary and middle schools and work with students on issues of gender violence."

Director of C-DRUM, Professor Deborah Eisenberg, echoes Dean Tobin's sentiments, "I see the work of the Center for Dispute Resolution and our existing work with the mediation clinic intersecting with the gender violence clinic in a very exciting way," she says.

"I see C-DRUM as being the experts in process: How do we set up the conditions to have dialogue about really difficult topics? And I see the Gender Violence Clinic and Professor [Leigh] Goodmark's work really bringing the expertise in terms of sexual assault, how to prevent it, and how to address it in various ways."

Another unique feature of the program's approach is the focus on restorative justice, which seeks to repair the harm caused by a transgression, as opposed to punitive justice, which seeks only to punish.

Director of the Gender Violence Clinic, Professor Leigh Goodmark, explains, "There's still a very punitive approach to sexual assault and sexual harassment in most places, including the school system, and there are concerns that some have expressed about the use of restorative justice in the context of gender-based violence. But I have seen what restorative justice can do in the context of gender-based violence, and there are programs across the world that are doing this work."

Barbara Grochal, Director of C-DRUM's Conflict Resolution Education Programs, is excited for the expanded opportunities Maryland Carey Law students will have to make a difference in the community in local schools. "Our law school is passionate about justice. Our clinics provide amazing opportunities for our law students. I've worked with so many of them who have said, 'My experience in schools is the highlight of my work at the law school.""

In addition to educating local students, their teachers, administrators, and parents will also have the opportunity for training in conflict resolution and restorative practices.

C. Quince Hopkins '89, a national expert in restorative justice and gender-based violence, has been hired as Director of the Levitas Initiative and begins her work in the fall 2018 semester.

Nothing can make up for the loss of Erin and the impact she would have made on the world, but the Erin Levitas Initiative for Sexual Assault Prevention will keep her dream alive and will allow her vision and spirit to live on in the work we do together.



About the Erin Levitas Foundation

The Erin Levitas Foundation is a 501(c)(3) that envisions a future with education for youth and young adults to prevent sexual assault and help victims heal. In addition to supporting the Erin Levitas Initiative at Maryland Carey Law, the Foundation also supports the Mind, Body and Soul Empowerment Program at St. Timothy's School. Learn more at erinlevitas.org.

Erin Levitas (middle) with her parents, Michael (left) and Wende (right).

Preparing Law Students in the Wake of #MeToo

By Paula A. Monopoli

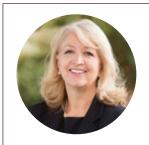
Several years ago, I ran into a former colleague at a conference in New York City. She and I had been first-year associates together at a Wall Street law firm 30 years earlier. We started talking about the old days. Late in the conversation, she told me that one day, the partner she had worked for in her first year had closed the door, grabbed her and tried to kiss her. I was shocked. It had never occurred to me that the partner—who was known for berating young lawyers—would sexually assault one of them. But it shouldn't have surprised me, since sexual assault is about power. Just like bullying the people who work for you.

The #MeToo movement transcends one's professional status. Just because a woman has an advanced degree and works at a prestigious law firm doesn't protect her from sexual harassment or assault. Several national law firms have had partners depart over the past year due to sexual misconduct. So how do we protect our newly minted graduates as they enter the legal workplace? American law schools teach students legal analysis, trial advocacy skills and how to make persuasive appellate arguments. But they don't teach them how to recognize sexual harassment for what it is: a power play meant to demean and marginalize women.

At Maryland Carey Law, our Women, Leadership & Equality Program offers a unique curriculum that educates students about professional skills like communication, personal negotiation, and business development. Such skills aren't part of the traditional law school curriculum, but they are essential to being able to successfully navigate the legal workplace. As part of this innovative curriculum, we talk about recognizing sexual harassment for what it is and calibrating how best to stop it with the least career impact.

Education is the most effective way to arm our students to recognize harassment and understand when to report it and to whom. Not every comment or off-color joke should be reported, while any physical assault should be. And there is a gray area in-between. There are research-based responses that have been proven to deter demeaning comments. Those techniques can be taught to students before they encounter this kind of marginalizing behavior. And when they eventually ascend to leadership positions in their firms, those former students will better understand how to create a culture where sexual harassment is no longer tolerated.

No one talked about this issue 30 years ago when my colleague and I were law students. If our law schools had at least alerted us to the nature of such harassment—that it was meant to undermine our authority as women lawyers we would have been better served. Through the WLE Program's innovative curriculum, Maryland Carey Law is serving its own graduates well and leading the way for other American law schools to do better. ■



Paula A. Monopoli is the founding director of the Women, Leadership & Equality Program and Sol & Carlyn Hubert Professor of Law at Maryland Carey Law. She teaches in the areas of property, trusts and estates, and gender and the law. She has published widely and is a nationally recognized scholar in the fields of inheritance law and the intersection of gender and constitutional design.



NEW FACULTY ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF LAW: WILLIAM J. MOON

Dean Donald B. Tobin and the Maryland Carey Law community are very happy to welcome Professor Will Moon to the faculty.

"We're thrilled Will has decided to join us at Maryland Carey Law," Dean Tobin remarks. "This was an enormous search and there were many outstanding candidates, but Will really stood head and shoulders above the rest. We're looking forward to see everything Will brings to Maryland Carey Law for years to come."

Moon's research interest lies in the intersection of International and Business Law, particularly focusing on offshore financial transactions. "When people think about the important topics of law, they usually think of Con Law, the Fourth Amendment, and criminal defendant protections, but modern day cross-border finance is so important because it affects wealth creation and distribution so much," he says. "In turn, the way we regulate those transactions has a vast impact on society. It's a less visible area of the law, but no less important."

As an example of the societal considerations of his research, Moon pointed to the Bernie Madoff scandal, the largest Ponzi scheme in U.S. history. Even though most of the fraudulent schemes took place in the United States, most of the money was filtered through "feeder funds" formed in the Cayman Islands or the British Virgin Islands. Consequently, many of the disputes and litigation that resulted had to be resolved in those overseas jurisdictions. So, while U.S. law might have protections for the defrauded individuals, other nations' laws may not.

Faced with such a situation, Moon says, "We have to look at the bigger picture. We have laws and

regulations in place to protect our citizens that are being rendered moot under the pretenses that these are foreign transactions. As a society, is that an acceptable way of resolving these conflicts?"

His research appears in both student-edited and peer-reviewed journals, such as the Vanderbilt Law Review and the Journal of International Economic Law, respectively.

Moon is looking forward to continuing his teaching career at Maryland Carey Law. Previous experience as a Coker Fellow at Yale Law School and as Acting Assistant Professor in the Lawyering Program at NYU have prepared him for the rigors of a tenure-track faculty member. "I love teaching. I actually learn a lot when I teach, and I'm always trying to think of ways to bring more of the world of practice into the classroom," he says. "A lot of the hypotheticals I bring in are from my practice experience." Prior to entering academia, Moon worked as a litigation associate at Boies, Schiller & Flexner, LLP, where he specialized in cross-border commercial disputes.

As for his affinity for Maryland Carey Law, Moon says that he feels at home here. "Maryland Carey Law has a great reputation in academia and is home to incredibly generous colleagues and smart students," he says. "I'm very, very happy that this worked out the way it did."

Professor Moon holds a BBA from the University of Michigan and received his JD from Yale University. He will begin teaching Contracts this Fall before teaching Business Associations and an International Business Transactions Seminar in the spring of 2019.

SCHOLARSHIP & HONORS







Renée Hutchins, Jacob A. France Professor of Public Interest Law and Co-Director of the Clinical Law Program, was elected to the American Law Institute (ALI).



• **Frank Pasquale**, professor of law, testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Energy and Commerce Committee. He was also elected to the American Law Institute (ALI).



Wolters Kluwer Law & Business published the eighth edition of Robert F. Stanton Professor of Law and director of the Environmental Law Program, **Robert Percival**'s, best-selling casebook, *Environmental Regulation: Law, Science & Policy.*



Leigh Goodmark, professor of law, received the Rosalyn B. Bell Award from the Women's Law Center of Maryland for her achievement in the field of family law.



The Maryland Legal Services Corporation (MLSC) announced **Michael Millemann**, professor of law, as a recipient of the Robert M. Bell Medal for Access to Justice for his decades of active involvement and commitment to furthering access to justice for low-income Marylanders.













Lee Kovarsky, professor of law, argued before the U.S. Supreme Court on behalf of Carlos Ayestas, an inmate on Texas' death row, in the capital case, *Ayestas v. Davis*.

Carole & Hanan Sibel Professor of Law **Martha Ertman**'s book, *Love's Promises*, was relied on by an Israeli family law court in its decision that allowed a nonbiological mom in a lesbian couple to obtain pre-birth designation as the child's legal parent.

Marley Weiss, professor of law, testified before the Workplace Harassment Commission of the Maryland General Assembly.

The Rutgers Chapter of the National Lawyer's Guild honored Professor of Law **Douglas Colbert** with the Kinoy Award for his contributions to social justice and public interest advocacy.

The University of Maryland, Baltimore selected Morton & Sophia Macht Professor of Law **Danielle Citron** as a Champion of Excellence for her groundbreaking work and her embodiment of the campus' core values.

Edward M. Robertson Professor of Law **Rena Steinzor** gave testimony titled "Rulemakers Must Follow the Rules, Too: Oversight of Agency Compliance with the Congressional Review Act," before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law.

FACULTY PROMOTIONS & APPOINTMENTS



KEVIN TU

Professor of Law

- BA, 2003, University of Washington
- JD, with honors, 2006, University of Washington

Professional Highlights:

- Practiced law in the Seattle office of international law firm Davis Wright Tremaine LLP before launching academic career
- Founding member of the Vietnamese American Bar Association of Washington (VABAW)
- Co-authored *Learning Basic Core Commercial Law Concepts* (West Academic), with David Epstein, Paula Franzese, and Wayne Barnes



MICHAEL VAN ALSTINE

Francis King Carey Professor in Business Law

Appointed Director of the Business Law Program

BA, 1983, St. Norbert College

JD, 1986, George Washington University

MJurComp, 1994, DrJur, 1995, University of Bonn, Germany

Professional Highlights:

- Practiced domestic and international commercial and business law at law firms in the United States and Germany before becoming a law professor
- Four-time recipient of the Goldman Prize for Excellence in Teaching at the University of Cincinnati College of Law
- Member of the American Law Institute (ALI) since 2005

FACULTY RETIREES



JANA SINGER

Jacob A. France Professor of Law

AB, 1977, Dartmouth College

JD, 1982, Yale University

Professional Highlights:

- Joined Maryland Carey Law in 1985 after serving as Revson Fellow in women's law and public policy and as adjunct clinical professor at Georgetown University
- Taught Contracts, Constitutional Law, Family Law, Collaborative Law and Practice, and other family law and dispute resolution courses during her time at Maryland Carey Law
- Co-authored *Divorced from Reality: Rethinking Family Dispute Resolution* (2015) with Jane C. Murphy
- Member of the American Law Institute and a past Chair of the Family and Juvenile Law section of the American Association of Law Schools (AALS)



ROBERT SUGGS

Professor of Law

BA, 1968, University of Michigan JD, 1973, Harvard University

Professional Highlights:

- Joined Maryland Carey Law in 1991 after working as a senior policy analyst for a Washington, D.C. think tank and teaching law at Arizona State University
- Taught Copyright, Business Associations, and Not for Profit Corporations courses during his time at Maryland Carey Law
- Practiced in New York City as Associate General Counsel of a Fortune 500 firm
- Authored Minorities and Privatization: Economic Mobility at Risk (1989)

Seen



DANIELLE CITRON

Morton & Sophia Macht Professor of Law, was featured in "Netizens," a documentary about women and online harassment, which premiered at the 2018 Tribeca Film Festival in April.

MICHAEL GREENBERGER

Law School Professor and Director, Center for Health and Homeland Security, discussed law enforcement's use of social media location-targeting technology, "geofeedia," in mitigating crises on CBS affiliate, WUSA9's #OffScriptOn9 segment on June 29, 2018.

PHOTO SOURCE: NETIZENS KICKSTARTER CAMPAIGN



PHOTO SOURCE: WUSA9

MICHAEL MILLEMANN

Michael Millemann, professor of law, was featured in CBS Sunday Morning's cover story on November 12, 2017 to discuss his work securing retrials for inmates affected by the *Unger v. Maryland* ruling.



PHOTO SOURCE: CBS SUNDAY MORNING

Heard

RICHARD BOLDT

T. Carroll Brown Professor of Law Baltimore Sun Op-Ed, "Citizens United is bad. A constitutional convention to overturn it would be worse." March 26, 2018

Article V of the U.S. Constitution provides that the legislatures of two-thirds of the states can direct Congress to call a convention to propose amendments to our nation's fundamental charter. That mechanism has never been used in our constitutional history. Perhaps that is because of the enormous uncertainly associated with such an enterprise.

PAULA MONOPOLI

Sol & Carlyn Hubert Professor of Law and Founding Director, Women Leadership & Equality Program Moller Institute Blog, "The American Puzzle – Why has the United States never had a female president?" March 7, 2018

So, why have more than eighty-five countries already had female prime ministers or presidents but the United States has not? My theory is that design choices by the Founders made it less likely that a woman would ascend to the presidency. These include the choice of a singular or unitary executive that combines the head of state, head of government and commander-in-chief function all in one person.

FRANK PASQUALE

Professor of Law NPR's On Point, "Facebook Under Fire" March 21, 2018

Data mining in general has a lot of threats to it. It's not just a matter of seeing ads online. A lot of the data that's out there can be repurposed in many ways to score people. To score their health status, whether they're a criminal risk, whether they're a good employee or a bad one. So, we all have a stake when there's runaway data and it's not being properly monitored and controlled.

MICHAEL PINARD

Francis & Harriet Iglehart Professor of Law and Co-Director, Clinical Law Program Baltimore Sun Op-Ed, "Predicting more biased policing in Baltimore" April 10, 2018

There are two big problems with such technologies. The first is that they have not been proven to work. The second is even bigger: The data are based largely on crime reports and crime statistics. In a nutshell, biased inputs result in biased outputs, including stops, searches, arrests and criminal records.



"Whether you are talking about our clinic or about our faculty's scholarship, emphasis on support for underserved communities is part of this place's DNA, and it's something that I have prioritized since I moved into the academy. It's a perfect fit."

Since joining Maryland Carey Law in 2011, Professor Lee Kovarsky has become both a favorite among students and a prodigious researcher and advocate.

Kovarsky attended Yale as an undergraduate before earning his JD at the University of Virginia School of Law. Before joining Maryland Carey Law, he clerked for The Honorable Jerry E. Smith of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, worked in private practice with Mayer Brown, LLP, and held a three-year appointment as an acting assistant professor at NYU Law School.

In 2015, he was voted "Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year" by the Student Bar Association and has chaired or been a member of the Clerkship Committee since joining the faculty. "I'm an extrovert by nature, so I am fortunate insofar as I don't have to play too much of a part in front of a large classroom," he says. Who knows why students respond the way they do; I just try to be a normal person and to treat the students like they are, too."

His teaching and research interests include: conflicts of law, criminal procedure, federal jurisdiction, habeas corpus, civil procedure, constitutional law, and the death penalty.

Along with co-author Brandon Garrett, Kovarsky published the casebook, Federal Habeas Corpus: Executive Detention and Post-Conviction *Litigation* in 2013 and *The Death Penalty* as part of West Academic's Concepts and Insights Series in 2018. He has placed multiple articles in leading law journals, such as: "Citizenship, National Security Detention, and the Habeas Remedy" in the California Law Review; "A Constitutional Theory of Habeas Power" in the Virginia Law Review; "Death Ineligibility and Habeas Corpus" in the Cornell Law Review: "Muscle Memory and the Local Concentration of Capital Punishment" in the Duke Law Journal, and "Prisoners and Habeas Privileges Under the Fourteenth Amendment" in the Vanderbilt Law Review.



KOVARSKY, PROFESSOR OF LAW

Kovarsky's interest in the death penalty is not solely academic. He has represented a number of indigent death-row inmates while at Maryland Carey Law.

Kovarsky scored an important victory for indigent capital defendants this year. The Supreme Court's decision in *Ayestas v. Davis* affirmed that indigent people facing the death penalty are not only entitled to lawyers, but they are also entitled to the experts and investigators who make that legal representation effective.

Kovarsky's client, Carlos Manuel Ayestas, was denied resources necessary to investigate a claim that his trial counsel committed a Sixth Amendment violation by failing to investigate his mental health. The lower federal courts both held that he was not entitled to investigate that claim because, even though he produced evidence showing that he had been diagnosed with schizophrenia, he had not shown a "substantial need" for the investigative services he was seeking.

On appeal to the Supreme Court, Kovarsky argued that the Fifth Circuit's "substantial need" framework violated the statutory requirement that indigent inmates facing the death penalty be permitted to utilize experts and investigators when "reasonably necessary."

The Supreme Court agreed with Kovarsky and, in an exceedingly rare result for a case involving the death penalty, voted unanimously to overturn the Fifth Circuit's decision and to grant Ayestas his requested relief.

Highlighting the importance of the decision, Kovarsky explains, "The central purpose of the statute in question is to promote parity in representation as between those capable of paying for it and those who aren't. In America, you are supposed to be capitally sentenced because you are sufficiently culpable, not because you had a bad lawyer."

Luckily, Kovarsky had some help along the way. "I had massive support from across the institutional spectrum. I had co-counsel from Cornell, O'Melveny and Myers, and Texas Defender Service. Amicus briefs were filed by, among others, the ACLU, the Constitution Project, the University of Texas, and the American Bar Association. And of course," Kovarsky adds, "I had both a cheering section and a home base at Maryland, where I was able to hold a moot argument for the entire student body."

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS 2017-2018















1. MARYLAND COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS ORAL ARGUMENTS

October 11, 2017

The Honorable Patrick L. Woodward, The Honorable Douglas R. M. Nazarian, and The Honorable Daniel A. Friedman '94 heard oral arguments in five pending cases before students, faculty, and staff. Following oral arguments, the judges met with students and answered their questions about the appellate process, legal careers, and their role as judges.

2. NORMAN P. RAMSEY LECTURE

October 26, 2017

The Business Law Program at Maryland Carey Law presented the Norman P. Ramsey Lecture. The lecture is supported by the Ramsey Fund, which was established in 1993 in honor of Judge Norman P. Ramsey '47. Distinguished Visiting Professor and former Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, Sarah Bloom Raskin, delivered this year's lecture, titled "Financial Policymaking in an Age of Financial Anxiety."

3. 4TH ANNUAL JUDICIAL RECEPTION

November 7, 2017

Forty judges, 15 law clerks, and 135 students joined together for a night of networking at the 4th Annual Judicial Reception. Since its start in 2014, the Judicial Reception has grown into one of the marquee events of the Maryland Carey Law school year, offering a unique opportunity for students and faculty to meet with members of the bench in an informal setting.

4. STUART ROME LECTURE

March 8, 2018

The Law & Health Care Program and the Center on Drugs and Public Policy at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy presented the 2018 Rome Lecture & Panel, "Drug Pricing and Prospects." The Stuart Rome Lecture was established in 1984 to honor the memory of Stuart Rome, a prominent health law attorney, community activist, art patron and humanitarian in the Baltimore area. This year's lecture was delivered by Aaron Kesselheim, MD, JD, MPH.

5. JHCLP'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY

March 8, 2018

The Journal of Health Care Law & Policy celebrated its 20th Anniversary with a dinner attended by faculty, current student editors, and alumni. The night was highlighted by recollections from faculty on the Journal's history and accomplishments and from alumni on their experiences working on the student-led publication.

6. MORRIS BROWN MYEROWITZ MOOT COURT COMPETITION FINALS March 14, 2018

The Myerowitz Competition is one of the law school's hallmark events, in which 2Ls compete for a spot on the National Moot Court Team. This year's hypothetical cases explored whether a warrant is required to search an automobile parked on the curtilage of a home, and whether a warrant can require an email provider to produce emails stored overseas. Competition judges included The Honorable Robert N. McDonald, The Honorable Andre M. Davis '78, and The Honorable Daniel A. Friedman '94.

7. THE WRITERS SPEAK: POLICING THE BLACK MAN

March 30, 2018

Professor Angela J. Davis of American University Washington College of Law led a presentation on her new edited volume, "Policing the Black Man." She was joined by contributors Kristin Henning of Georgetown University Law Center and Maryland Carey Law's own Professor Renée Hutchins, who authored a chapter on the policy and practice of racial profiling.

8. MPILP ANNUAL GOODS AND SERVICES AUCTION

April 13, 2018

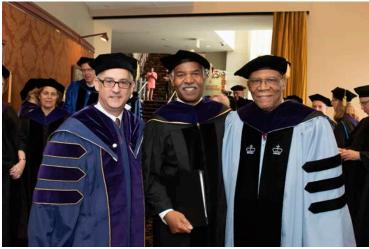
The Maryland Public Interest Law Project (MPILP) held its Annual Goods and Services Auction to celebrate public interest law and raise funds to allow law students to spend their summers at public interest agencies. MPILP students also honored the Maryland Legal Services Corporation for its 30-year history of supporting the MPILP summer grants program.

9. WOMEN, LEADERSHIP & EQUALITY PANEL AND NETWORKING

April 27, 2018

The Women, Leadership & Equality Program held a panel discussion and networking event at the Washington, D.C. offices of Latham and Watkins. Professor Paula Monopoli welcomed Maryland Carey Law Distinguished Visiting Professor Sarah Bloom Raskin, and alumnae Miriam Fisher '85 and Tamika Tremaglio '95 to discuss the challenges that women lawyers face and the effects those challenges have on the opportunities of women to rise to leadership positions.













COMMENCEMENT 2018

The Honorable Roger L. Gregory urged graduates to focus on the questions in their hearts and make no peace with injustice.

On May 18, the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law, along with approximately 250 JD, LLM, and MSL graduates and their supporters, filled the Hippodrome Theatre at the France-Merrick Performing Arts Center to celebrate the accomplishments of the class of 2018.

In remarks that ranged from references to Alexis de Tocqueville's *Democracy in America*, to growing up under the cloud of Jim Crow, this year's commencement speaker, The Honorable Roger L. Gregory, chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, inspired the graduates to harness the light within as young lawyers.

"Young lawyers ... you make a big difference in our profession," Judge Gregory began. "The beating heart of our graduates, what calls you to this profession, what captures your spirit, your creativity, will have much consequence to this nation and to the world. It is no small measure for me to say that our future is in your hands," Gregory asserted.

Judge Gregory is the first African-American to sit on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. President Bill Clinton recessappointed him to the Court in December 2000. President George W. Bush re-nominated Judge Gregory, and the Senate confirmed his lifetime appointment to the Court in July 2001. Gregory is the only person in U.S. history to be appointed to a federal appellate court by two presidents of different political parties.

The address went on to calm the lingering questions of doubt in many graduates' minds: "Will I? When will I? And how much will I?" But Gregory advised, "Don't worry about the answers to the questions you have on your lips now. Instead, focus on the questions that are in your heart." When incorrect assumptions attempt to threaten your assignment as an advocate for the law, "Do not rest. Make no peace with injustice," he urged.

Ceremony speakers also included Allison Hoffman '18, president of the fourth-year evening class, Matt Schofield '18, third-year class president, and Dean Donald B. Tobin.

"Sometimes it is easy to forget how absolutely extraordinary our students are when you are surrounded by them each and every day. Days like these I am reminded of how lucky I am, how lucky all of us at Maryland Carey Law are, to be able to share our time with these exceptional people," Dean Tobin remarked.

The Hooding Ceremony was followed by the University of Maryland, Baltimore's Commencement, where Maryland Carey Law graduate, Aarti Sidhu '18, was the selected student speaker.



2017-2018 ADVOCACY TEAM HIGHLIGHTS

Maryland Carey Law's advocacy and moot court competition teams had a busy 2017-2018 season. Here we highlight some of their successes over the past year. Special thanks to the coaches, faculty, and alumni who supported the teams along the way.



ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION TEAM

Fifth Place, ABA Law Student Division Regional Negotiation Competition, November 2017



Competed in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, February 2018

champions & Best Brief Award, Region III Championship of the National moot Court Competition, November 2017

Moot Court



Health Law Competition Team Ist § 3rd Place, Health Law Regulatory and Compliance Competition, February 2018

Quarterfinalist, National Black Law Students Association Mid-Atlantic Region's Thurgood Marshall Mock Trial Competition, February 2018

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Thurgood Marshall National Trial Team TRANSACTIONAL LAW COMPETITION TEAM

Regional Finalist, Region a Transactional Lawmeet, February 2018

board of visitors A MESSAGE FROM THE BOV CHAIR

As a proud alumnus of Maryland Carey Law and Chair of its Board of Visitors (BOV), I am truly appreciative of and impressed by the efforts I see from our law school community on a daily basis. Our faculty, students, alumni, and friends are continuously recognized for their leadership and contributions to the legal community, both in the Baltimore metropolitan area and nationally. You are what makes this institution so special, and for that, I thank you.

The University of Maryland, Baltimore officially launched its Catalyst Campaign on October 14, 2017, and with it came a \$60 million fundraising goal for Maryland Carey Law. The BOV looks forward to continued support of this important campaign, ensuring we remain at the forefront of legal education and are able to provide students with the experiences necessary to succeed in their future careers. We recognize the role we play as alumni leaders, to ensure Maryland Carey Law achieves its goals, and we are up for the task.

Last November, the BOV was invited to celebrate scholarship with donors and recipients alike at Maryland Carey Law's annual Scholarship Luncheon. Students expressed their gratitude and formed bonds with their donors, while BOV member and donor Henry Holt Hopkins '68 shared with us the importance of scholarship support, emphasizing the financial challenges that come with pursuing a legal education today. We remain committed to generating increased scholarship support as we embark on the 2018-2019 academic year, and look forward to the next luncheon.

During Alumni Weekend 2018, I had the opportunity to commemorate my 35th law school reunion, along with several other members of the BOV. Together we celebrated with old friends and reminisced on our law school days. I look forward to this annual tradition and hope to see many of you throughout the year. With so many opportunities to connect and engage, our alumni community is thriving now more than ever. If you would like to get more involved with the law school, please call the Office of Development and Alumni Relations at 410-706-2070, or send an e-mail to alumni@law.umaryland.edu.

Again, thank you. I am honored to represent this outstanding community every day.



Robert J. Kim '83 *Chair, Board of Visitors*

2018 ALUMNI WEEKEND RECAP

Maryland Carey Law was thrilled to welcome back its alumni April 12-14 for a weekend of reconnecting and celebrating milestone graduation years.

This year, we celebrated the classes of 1968, 1973, 1978, 1983, 1988, 1993, 1998, 2003, 2008, and 2013.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

ALUMNI HONORS BANQUET

Maryland Carey Law's Alumni Board honored four graduates whose leadership and vision are shaping law, government, business, and society.



DISTINGUISHED GRADUATE AWARD John B. Frisch '83 Chairman Emeritus, Miles & Stockbridge



BENJAMIN L. CARDIN PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD **Sharon Krevor-Weisbaum '87** *Managing Partner, Brown, Goldstein & Levy, LLP*





RISING STAR AWARD **Michelle N. Mendez '08** Defending Vulnerable Populations Managing Attorney, Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc.



MARY ELLEN BARBERA JUDICIAL EXCELLENCE AWARD **The Hon. Barry G. Williams '87** *Associate Judge, Baltimore City Circuit Court*

2018 ALUMNI WEEKEND RECAP continued

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

GOLDEN GRADUATES LUNCHEON

The Class of 1968 gathered for its 50th reunion celebration. Class Co-Chair Henry Hopkins generously offered to match any donations made to the newly launched Class of 1968 Scholarship.

PROGRAM GATHERINGS & WELCOME RECEPTION

The Center for Dispute Resolution, Center for Health and Homeland Security, Intellectual Property Program, Law & Health Care Program, Trial Team, and Women, Leadership & Equality Program hosted welcome events for alumni to reconnect.

MPILP ANNUAL GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION Attendees had the opportunity to bid on unique items and experiences at the annual event, hosted by the Maryland Public Interest Law Project (MPILP).













SATURDAY, APRIL 14 FAMILY-FRIENDLY PICNIC

Family, food, and fun were in abundance as alumni met on a beautiful day in the law school courtyard.

REUNION CLASS COCKTAIL HOUR & DINNERS

Graduates celebrating milestone years concluded Alumni Weekend with dinner with their classmates.



ALUMNI PROFILE: THE HONORABLE SUSAN AMINI '94

By Michele Wojciechowski

When The Honorable Susan Amini '94 was appointed to serve in Washington's King County Superior Court in 2013, she was the first judge of Middle Eastern descent in the state's history, as well as the second Iranian-American judge in the entire country. While Amini had many challenges to overcome on her way to this career highlight, she says that she made it through them not so much because she is a strong woman, but rather because she's always believed in fairness for all.

As a young girl in Tehran, Amini watched a number of American sitcoms, movies, and soap operas with her parents. But one show was her favorite: Perry Mason. "I was just mesmerized by the legal system, the jury system, and the idea of being presumed innocent until proven guilty. That was my introduction to the legal system," she recalls. "I imagined how it would be if I wanted to do this. I could do this."

After earning her degree in political science with international impact and a minor in law from Tehran University, Amini married her husband, Mo Habib (who passed away in 2016), and in 1980, she emigrated to the United States. She settled in Maryland with her husband. Four months after their son, Cyrus Habib, was born, he was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer that blinded him in one eye. Luckily, Cyrus went into remission, but then Mo had to undergo cancer surgeries. Nevertheless, Mo encouraged Amini to apply to law school—her dream—so she did.

Amini became the first overseas student accepted into the University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. Cyrus also started school around the same time.

"I went to law school when my son went to kindergarten," Amini says with a laugh. "It was funny. When Cyrus would come home and say, 'We have homework,' I said, 'Yes, we do!'" For some time, Amini was immersed in her law studies. But when Cyrus' cancer was back with a vengeance, Amini immediately thought of dropping out of school. But she was able to reduce her course load so that she could spend time at Johns Hopkins Hospital with Cyrus. At age eight, Cyrus completely lost his sight.

After Amini graduated, the family moved to Washington. The couple agreed that they would never push Cyrus, but they would support him in whatever he wanted to do. When his IQ tested "off the charts," they made sure Cyrus received educational opportunities. Because his school couldn't provide a French test in braille, Amini insisted they provide a proctor to read the test to Cyrus. She warned that she was not going to stop until they changed their policy or canceled the test for everyone.

"It wasn't about me being strong," says Amini. "It was about being fair." She said that if she didn't speak up, parents of other children with disabilities would suffer. Today, Cyrus is Washington's lieutenant governor.

In 1994, Amini opened her own practice. When she ran for a judgeship in 2007 and lost, Amini decided to up her game. She became involved in the Washington State Bar Association, joined committees, and ran for a trustee position with the King County Bar Association, which she won.

Five years after becoming a judge, Amini says that she's proud of what she's been able to bring to the bench. "I'm amazed at the job I have; I love it every day." She also feels a sense of responsibility in being a role model for younger Middle-Eastern Americans. She wants more of them to be lawyers, more of them to be judges. "I don't want to be the first and the last in Washington," she says. "I want others to follow their dreams."

CLASS ACTION

1950s

• Arnold Weiner '57 was named one of *The Daily Record*'s inaugural 2017 Icon Honorees.

1960s

- David Cordish '63 was featured on *The Business Journals*' Influencers in Commercial Real Estate list.
- **Richard Goldberg '64** received the prestigious Lane Award from the American College of Real Estate Lawyers.
- William P. Young, Jr. '65 presented "Magna Carta: A Stormy Birth" to the Hagerstown Torch Club in Hagerstown, Md.
- **Guy B. Maseritz '66** received the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award.
- **Charles M. Tatelbaum '66** was named a Distinguished Leader by the South Florida *Daily Business Review.*
- Benjamin Rosenberg '68 was named chair of the Enoch Pratt Free Library in Baltimore.
- The Hon. William H. "Billy" Murphy '69 was named one of *The Daily Record*'s inaugural 2017 Icon Honorees.

1970s

- Elizabeth S. Baker '73 received the 2018 Jean Crowe Pro Bono Award from the American Bar Association Section on Family Law.
- **Glenn Cooper '73** was again named to both the Maryland Super Lawyers Top 10 attorneys and the District of Columbia Super Lawyers Top 10 attorneys.
- Ford Loker '73 received the inaugural John H. Mudd Lifetime Achievement Award from the Maryland Defense Counsel.
- **Robert Manekin '73** was named one of *The Daily Record's* inaugural 2017 Icon Honorees.

- Natalie McSherry '74 was named one of the 2018 Best Lawyers in America and the 2018 Health Care Law "Lawyer of the Year."
- **Charles Monk '74** was named one of *The Daily Record*'s inaugural 2017 Icon Honorees.
- James Archibald '75 received a Maryland Bar Foundation Legal Excellence Award.
- Howard K. Kurman '75 was recognized as one of the top in his industry by the Expert Network.
- Lee H. Ogburn '75 was named one of the 2018 Best Lawyers in America.
- The Hon. William G. Connelly '76 joined JAMS in Washington, D.C.
- Congressman Elijah E. Cummings '76 addressed the University of Maryland, College Park's 2017 winter graduates.
- The Hon. George Lipman '76 received a Maryland Bar Foundation Legal Excellence Award.
- **Peter B. Robb '76** was sworn in as general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB).
- Kenneth Thompson '76 was appointed as monitor of the sweeping consent decree mandating local police reforms between Baltimore and the U.S. Department of Justice.
- Alan M. Grochal '77 was recognized by Chambers USA Guide for his efforts at Tydings & Rosenberg Bankruptcy and Creditors Rights' Department.
- **Dr. Martin Wasserman '77** received the 2017 Maurice "Mo" Mullet Lifetime of Service Award from the National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO).
- Harriet E. Cooperman '78 was named one of The Nation's Most Powerful Employment Attorneys by *Human Resource Executive*.
- The Hon. Andre M. Davis '78 was the 2017 recipient of the John Marshall Award, presented by the American Bar Association.
- Irving E. Walker '78 was presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis *Who's Who*.

- Caroline G. Harris '79 was named to the inaugural list of Leading Women Lawyers in New York City.
- **Dennis J. Hoover '79** was appointed to the Carroll Community College Board of Trustees by Maryland Governor Larry Hogan.
- Marc R. Kivitz '79 received the Judge Paul Mannes Award from the Bankruptcy Bar Association, Inc.
- The Hon. Katherine A. Levine '79 was named one of Brooklyn's Women of Distinction.
- Mark D. Bloom '79 was elected President of the American College of Bankruptcy.

1980s

- Pamela Bresnahan '80 was included on the 2018 Washington, D.C. Super Lawyers List.
- **Paul A. Tiburzi '80** was elected chairman of the Greater Baltimore Committee.
- Andrew D. Levy '81 was listed in the Top 10 Maryland Super Lawyers 2018.
- Lynn B. Sassin '81 was named the 2018 Baltimore "Lawyer of the Year" in Trusts and Estates by The Best Lawyers in America.
- Brian S. Goodman '82 was recognized by Maryland Super Lawyers 2018 for his work in General Litigation.
- Rick Jaklitsch '83 was recognized by *Continental Who's Who* as a Pinnacle Professional Member.
- **Donald Judges '83** was named Vice Provost for Distance Education at the University of Arkansas.
- Dr. Arthur E. Appleton's '84 edited volume 1 of "Business Guide to International Trade and Investment," published by the International Chamber of Commerce.
- Edmund O'Meally '84 was named *Best Lawyers*' 2018 Lawyer of the Year for Education Law in Baltimore, Md.
- **Miriam Fisher '85** received the 2018 Jules Ritholz Award from the American Bar Association in recognition of her work in the field of civil and criminal tax controversy.



Robert Manekin '73, Charles Monk '74, The Hon. William H. "Billy" Murphy '69, and Arnold Weiner '57, were among The Daily Record's inaugural 2017 Icon Honorees.

The Icon Honors recognizes Maryland business leaders over the age of 60 for their notable success and demonstration of strong leadership within and outside of their career field.

- Richard Melnick '85 became the city attorney for Annapolis, Md.
- **Donald S. Meringer '85** rejoined Miles & Stockbridge as a principal in its products liability and mass torts practice group.
- The Hon. Gregory Sampson '85 was appointed to the Baltimore City Circuit Court.
- Kathleen Birrane '86 was promoted to partner at DLA Piper.
- Erin Danz '86 was appointed to a 10-year term as a judge in the Carroll County District Court.
- **Patricia Hamill '86** was recognized as the 2018 Pennsylvania Power Player by the *Legal Intelligencer*.
- Ava Lias-Booker '86 was honored as Managing Partner of the Year by The African-American Managing Partners Network.
- Brian Gibbons '87 was named to *The Daily Record*'s 2017 Most Admired CEOs list.
- Irwin Kramer '87 received a Maryland Bar Foundation Legal Excellence Award.
- **Terri Glubin Letica '87** was elected as the Volunteer Lawyers Project founding Emeritus Board Member.

CLASS ACTION continued

- Hugh T. Cropper, IV '88 joined Atlantic General Hospital's Board of Trustees as Board Chairman.
- **Susan Hofer '88** was inducted into the Eagle Society of the Aviation Insurance Association (AIA).
- Dr. Alemayehu G. Mariam '88 was selected as an Alumni of Notable Achievement by the University of Minnesota's College of Liberal Arts.
- Andrew C. Kidd '89 became a member of HighPoint Resources Corporation's board of directors.
- Henry Talavera '89 was appointed to the American Bar Association Commission on Hispanic Legal Rights and Responsibilities.

1990s

- Daniel C. Costello '90 received the 2017 Lawyer of the Year Award from the District of Columbia Defense Lawyers' Association.
- Thomas C. Dame '90 was elected as Managing Partner of Gallagher Evelius & Jones LLP.
- **Dr. Steven J. Poliakoff '90** was honored at the annual Executive Office for United States Attorneys Director's Awards Ceremony.
- David A. Super '90 joined Bracewell LLP in Washington, D.C. as Trial Partner.



MIRIAM FISHER '85

Miriam Fisher '85 was awarded the 2018 Jules Ritholz Award by the American Bar Association in recognition of outstanding dedication, achievement, and integrity in the field of civil and criminal tax controversy.

Fisher is the Global Chair of the Tax Controversy Practice of Latham & Watkins LLP, and her practice focuses on federal and state tax controversy and litigation.

- The Hon. Daniel H. Weiss '90 was selected as Assistant Chief Immigration Judge for the Dallas and El Paso Immigration Courts.
- Sarah M. M. Duckham '91 was named as a shareholder at Trow & Rahal, P.C.
- Louise Williams '91 was named Practice Lead of the Private Sector Development practice in the International Development section at Nathan Associates, Inc.
- Jeanne Christensen '92 was featured in the American Lawyer.
- Virginia Hovermill '92 is the new president of the board for Family and Children's Services of Central Maryland.
- David B. Monks '92 was named to the San Diego Super Lawyers 2018 Edition.
- The Hon. Nina Wright Padilla '92 was appointed to the Pennsylvania Judicial Conduct Board.
- Paul G. Skalny '92 was selected by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Baltimore District Office as the 2018 Maryland Attorney Advocate of the Year.
- **Stacie Tobin '92** was recognized as a Girl Scouts of Central Maryland's honoree at its Annual Distinguished Women Awards Celebration.
- Joseph W. Hovermill '93 succeeded John B. Frisch '83 as president and CEO of Miles & Stockbridge P.C.
- **Nancy Loube '93** joined Brunswick Corporation as Assistant Vice President.
- Laura Noble '93 was named a North Carolina Super Lawyer for the second year in a row.
- Laure Ruth '93 received a Maryland Bar Foundation Legal Excellence Award.
- Clolita M. Vitale '93 was named as a new board member for The Sarasota Cuban Ballet School (SCBS).
- Lawrence F. Kreis, Jr. '94 was appointed to the Harford County, Md. Circuit Court.
- Robert K. Taylor, Jr. '94 was appointed to the Baltimore City Circuit Court.

- Esther Lim '95 began her term as President of the D.C. Bar.
- David Lynn '95 returned to Morrison & Foerster LLP.
- Alexandre Rene '95 was appointed to managing partner of Ropes & Gray's Washington, D.C. office.
- **Craig A. Thompson '95** was chosen President-Elect of the International Association of Defense Counsel.
- Tamika Tremaglio '95 was recognized in *Washingtonian* as one of "The Most Powerful Women in Washington."
- Nii A. Quaye '96 was appointed to McorpCX, Inc.'s Board of Directors.
- Nancy W. Greene '97 succeeded John B. Frisch '83 as chairman of Miles & Stockbridge P.C.
- William M. Klimon '98 was elected to the American Antiquarian Society.
- Marisa Trasatti '98 joined Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP.
- Brian Cyr '99 joined ZeroFOX as General Counsel.



- John Bird '00 published a case law reference, *The Essential Case Law Guide to PTAB Trials*.
- **Rich Davis '00** joined Paul Hastings LLP in Washington, D.C. as partner in its Corporate practice.
- James Benjamin '01 was appointed to the Baltimore County Human Relations Commission.
- **Kristin Herber '01** was recognized as a Girl Scouts of Central Maryland honoree at its Annual Distinguished Women Awards Celebration.
- Shannon Bloodworth '02 was named as a firmwide Co-Chair of Perkins Coie's Intellectual Property Practice.

- Amy McClain '02 started her term as Chair of ABA Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law.
- Brian S. Southard '03 was recognized by Maryland Super Lawyers 2018 as a Rising Star.
- Benjamin Haley '05 was promoted to partner at Covington & Burling LLP.
- Lynnette D. Espy-Williams '06 was appointed as the first Chief Diversity Officer at Cozen O'Connor.
- Rachel Hirsch '06 was named a member of Ifrah Law PLLC.
- Hilary Jackler '06 was elected as managing partner of Kutak Rock's Washington, D.C., Richmond offices.
- Catherine K. Hopkin '06 joined Yumkas, Vidmar, Sweeney & Mulrenin, LLC as a member.
- Kerry Raymond '06 joined Franklin & Prokopik.
- Justin Swick '06 was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Air Force.
- Carlo A. C. de Oliveira '07 was named partner at Cooper, Erving & Savage, LLP.
- Jason Downs '07 was featured in *The Washington Lawyer* as a D.C. Bar Changemaker.
- Kristine Manoukian '07 joined Schulte Roth & Zabel.
- Emily Levenson '07 was named partner at Brown, Goldstein & Levy.
- Dawn Rock '07 was named in *Black Enterprise*'s "Most Powerful Women in Business."
- Julian Seiguer '07 joined Kirkland & Ellis LP as partner to the firm's capital markets practice group.
- Terri L. Wilkin '07 wrote "Should Florida's 'Stand Your Ground' Law Extend to Civil Liability Cases?" for *In Homeland Security*.

CLASS ACTION continued



NEW LEADERSHIP

Nancy W. Greene '97 and Joseph W. Hovermill '93 succeeded John B. Frisch '83 at Miles & Stockbridge P.C. as chairman and CEO, respectively. Greene, a board member since 2017, is the first woman to lead the firm in its 86-year history. Hovermill previously served as president and chief operating officer of the firm. Frisch served as Miles & Stockbridge's chairman and CEO for the past 15 years.

- Alicia L. Wilson '07 was named on Baltimore Business Journal's 2017 40 Under 40 list.
- **Tom Grace '08** was promoted to partner at DLA Piper.
- Danielle C. Lester '08 joined Little Caesar Enterprises, Inc. as legal counsel.
- Michelle Mendez '08 was recognized in the Baltimore Sun's 25 Women to Watch in 2017.
- Kedrick N. Whitmore '08 joined partnership at Venable LLP in the Tysons, Va. office.
- Hirsh Ament '09 was promoted to counsel in the Baltimore, Md. office of Venable LLP.
- Marios Monopolis '09 was promoted to partner at Simms Showers LLP.
- Katrin Hussmann Schroll '09 was honored as a GameChanger by the Ulman Cancer Fund for Young Adults.



- **Steven A. Book '10** was recognized by Maryland Super Lawyers 2018 as a Rising Star.
- Michelle McLeod '10 was named a Young Lawyer On The Rise by the American Bar Association.
- **Patrick Murray '10** was named Chief of Staff for Maryland Senate President Thomas V. Miller.
- Meghan Yanacek '10 was named partner at Goodell DeVries Leech & Dann.
- Beth P. Evans '11 was recognized by Maryland Super Lawyers 2018 as a Rising Star.
- Louis P. Malick '11 was recognized by Maryland Super Lawyers 2018 as a Rising Star.
- Justin A. Redd '12 was recognized by Maryland Super Lawyers 2018 as a Rising Star.
- **Ankit Aggarwal '12** joined Volpe and Koenig, P.C. in Philadelphia.
- Jack Blum '12 was awarded the 2017 Author of the Year award by the Labor & Employment Law Section of the Federal Bar Association.
- Jackson Petito '12 won a seat on the town council in Crested Butte, Col.
- Elizabeth M. Rosen '12 received the 2017 Victoria F. Gelfman Legal Excellence Award.
- Lindsey M. Cook '12 joined Barley Snyder as an associate attorney in its litigation practice group.
- **Gregory Sunshine '12** was named as an emerging leader in biosecurity by The Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security.
- Andrew Kraus '13 was promoted to partner at Opticliff Law in Portland, Maine.
- **Gayatri Patel '13** was recognized by the Capital Area Immigrants Rights Coalition (CAIR) as a member of the 2017 Pro Bono Honor Roll.

- **Carlos Santos '13** was named an associate with the corporate team at Nemphos Braue LLC.
- **Derrick Wang '13** composed "There is A Road: Scenes for Concert Band" as the first commissioned work for the Baltimore Symphonic Band.
- Lucy B. Bansal '14 joined Outten & Golden LLP in its Washington, D.C. office.
- Laura L. Dunn '14 joined the Fierberg National Law Group, a D.C.-based national law firm known for representing victims of school violence nationwide.
- Amanda Knab '14 joined Nemphos Braue LLC.
- Sean Gugerty '15 was named an associate at Goodell DeVries Leech & Dann.
- **David Lewis '15** was awarded a Fulbright scholarship for a one-year study on comparative ADR.
- Shamarla McCoy '15 served on The Women's Foundation's panel about implicit bias in schools in Washington, D.C.
- Arnold J. Abraham '16 published "Developing a Strategy for Cyber Conflict" in *Cyber* magazine.
- Emmit Kellar '16 was named an associate at Goodell DeVries Leech & Dann.
- Alex Montanio '16 was named one of United Way of Central Maryland's 2018 Philanthropic Five awardees.
- Rory D. Murray '16 joined Capitol Strategies LLC.
- Mary-Claire Petcoff '16 joined Williams, Williams, Rattner & Plunkett, P.C.
- William Rodowsky '16 joined Smith, Gildea & Schmidt LLC.
- Brady L. Thompson '16 joined Coon & Cole LLC.
- Brian S. Burkett '17 joined Council Baradel as an associate.
- Hillary Cleckler '17 was named an associate at Goodell DeVries Leech & Dann.

- Ryan Cullen '17 was named an associate at Goodell DeVries Leech & Dann.
- Nicole Daya '17 joined DLA Piper as part of the firm's seventh class of Krantz Fellows.
- Stephen Demos '17 joined Thomas & Libowitz, P.A.
- Jarrett W. Horowitz '17 joined Morris, Nichols, Arsht & Tunnell LLP.
- Linda Morris '17 was named a 2018 Skadden Fellow. ■

KEEP IN TOUCH

Update your contact information, receive notice of upcoming events, or share your latest news and accomplishments at **www.law.umaryland.edu/alumni-update**.



Bruce Carton '92 hosted several of Maryland Carey Law's Cybersecurity and Crisis Management faculty, staff, and students at the Cybersecurity Docket's 2018 Incident Response Forum in Washington, D.C. The conference allowed students the opportunity to network and engage in a day of interactive panels and keynote speeches to discuss how attorneys and other professionals can successfully manage an incident response. IN MEMORIAM

Rosanne F. Bernstein '45 The Hon. James Getty '47 Gilbert B. Benson, Jr. '50 The Hon. Perry G. Bowen, Jr. '50 Alexander R. Martick '53 W. Lee Thomas '53 Herbert Burgunder, Jr. '54 Stanley I. Morstein '54 Samuel Green '55 Charles R. Margolis '55 The Hon. J. Thomas Nissel '55 Leonard A. Orman '55 James F. Caldwell '59 Nelson R. Kerr, Jr. '59 Joan Hubbell Burton '60 H. Alfred Tarrant, Jr. '61 The Hon. James P. Klima, Jr. '62 John H. Michener '62 Gary Huddles '64 The Hon. Paul J. Stakem '64 Jeffrey H. Dunn '66 William H. Carter '67 Philip T. Calder '69 Lawrence V. Kelly '70 Joseph C. Wich, Jr. '72 Louis K. Coleman '73 E. Charles Dann, Jr. '73 Robert J. Kniaz '73 Lawrence A. Melfa '73 James I. Peck, IV '73 Peter M. Semel '73 Sheila C. Newman '74 Phillips P. O'Shaughnessy '74 Frank O. Heintz '76 William Ober '76 Brenda Moore Gibbs '77 The Hon. William D. Missouri '78 Thomas Webster Brenner Jr. '81 Michael F. Dooley '81 Steven C. Hilsee '85 Kelly J. Davidson '96 Sally R. MacDonald '02 Allison E. Novelli '03 Peter Worthington '18

List from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

REMEMBERING PROFESSOR ROGER WOLF

"Through all of his accomplishments, of which there are many more than can be listed, those who knew Roger most appreciated his accessibility. He mentored many mediators, engaged in numerous phone calls discussing mediation issues, responded to countless emails sharing his perspective, and completed every survey put before him. He often contacted peers to debrief a mediation or solicited feedback from his students."

TOBY TREEM GUERIN '02 MANAGING DIRECTOR OF C-DRUM

"We worked together on numerous projects bringing concepts in alternative dispute resolution to the health care community. For four years we co-taught a course on conflict resolution in health care to students from the Schools of Law, Medicine, and Nursing. Roger was a true champion of ADR, believing in its ability to heal relationships and resolve both short-term and longstanding disputes more efficiently, and often more effectively, than litigation."

DIANE HOFFMANN

DIRECTOR OF THE LAW AND HEALTH CARE PROGRAM

"To work closely with him, as I did for a semester when we taught Civil Procedure together, was to understand the possibilities of colleagueship. He made everyone around him an order of magnitude better, while making sure everyone around him got the credit for the improvement; and that was the story of his life. Rarely do you see great talent combine with decency, kindness, and compassion to the extent they did in Roger. He was a very special person."

ROBERT CONDLIN PROFESSOR OF LAW

MARYLAND CAREY LAW HONORS THE LEGACY OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS ROGER WOLF



Professor Emeritus Roger Wolf passed away on December 30, 2017. Professor Wolf will be remembered for, among many things, his commitment to alternative dispute resolution, the founding of what would become Maryland Carey Law's Center for Dispute Resolution (C-DRUM), and the hundreds of lives he positively affected during his time at Maryland Carey Law. Professor Wolf's

contributions to the legal world are immeasurable, and his legacy will continue to touch the lives of Marylanders for decades to come.

Born in Cincinnati, Ohio, Professor Wolf graduated from Harvard College and the George Washington University School of Law. He taught at Catholic University's law school until 1978, when he left academia to farm and start a vineyard. In the early 1980s, Professor Wolf found a classified advertisement describing an evening clinical law job. Answering that ad would turn into a 28year career at Maryland Carey Law, from 1982 until his retirement in 2009.

During his tenure at Maryland Carey Law, Professor Wolf was a tireless advocate for clinical education. In 1983, he became director of Maryland Carey Law's Attorney General Clinic while teaching courses such as an alternative dispute resolution survey course, civil procedure, lawyering process, and a criminal defense clinic. In 1992 he started the Mediation Clinic, which would later evolve into C-DRUM.

"He built something very special at our law school," Deborah Eisenberg, professor of law and faculty director of C-DRUM, said of Professor Wolf. "He leaves an extraordinary legacy focused on quality clinical and experiential teaching, high ethical practice standards, and commitment to using ADR to build a more just society."

" He built something very special at our law school. He leaves an extraordinary legacy focused on quality clinical and experiential teaching, high ethical practice standards, and commitment to using ADR to build a more just society."

- PROFESSOR DEBORAH EISENBERG

Reflective of his commitment to ADR and legal education, Professor Wolf also served as Chair of the ADR Committee of the Maryland State Bar Association, was honored as a Leader in the Law in 2004 by *The Daily Record*, and received the Chief Judge Robert Bell Award for Outstanding Contribution to Alternative Dispute Resolution in Maryland in 2007. In addition, Professor Wolf was a mediator in circuit courts throughout Maryland, for the Maryland Human Relations Commission, for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Baltimore Region, and for the U.S. Postal Service.

C-DRUM honored its 15-year legacy of promoting the power of conflict resolution and the life and legacy of Professor Wolf at a special program gathering during Alumni Weekend on April 13, 2018.

CASUAL CONVERSATIONS Get to know members of the Maryland Carey Law community.



Assistant Professor of Law and Director, Environmental Law Clinic

BS, University of Wisconsin-Madison JD, George Washington University Hometown: St. Paul, Minnesota

What is your greatest accomplishment? Picking the right life partner. I have known my husband since I was 12 years old and he is terrific. Because of him I have a wonderful support system, fantastic children, and a friend and confidant.

What book(s) are you currently reading? Educated, by Tara Westover

What is your favorite place on campus?

The 3rd floor of the law school, the location of my office. It is a hallway where there is always something happening. Law students are engaging with professors on clinic matters. Clinic directors are talking with each other about the operation of clinics and the best way to teach our students. It is a collegial and professional environment, and also lively!

What is your best memory of teaching at Maryland Carey Law thus far?

My mock class for Discover Law day. I had about 20 high school students attend the class. When I entered the classroom they were already in the room and eager to learn. They were clearly expecting that I was going to talk about law, and in particular, trials. However, we did an exercise on problem solving. The class was really fun and allowed them to think creatively and realize how difficult it can be to get to a good compromise.

Who is your favorite fictional lawyer?

Mitch McDeere from the book and movie, *The Firm*. I loved his tenacity and his refusal to let a bad situation get the better of him. And who doesn't love Tom Cruise?

What is your favorite Supreme Court case of all time?

Massachusetts v. EPA, one of the most significant cases on carbon dioxide regulation.

Hometown:

Columbia, Maryland

What is your greatest accomplishment?

My greatest personal accomplishment thus far is my newborn son, Charles, Jr. As for my greatest professional accomplishment, that has yet to be seen.

What is your best memory of Maryland Carey Law?

Receiving the Roger Howell Award. It was humbling to be honored and recognized by my professors, mentors, advisors, and peers as reflecting the myriad qualities embodied by the award and its past and future recipients. A close second is my experience as a member and co-captain of the National Trial Team.

Do you have any advice for current law school students?

Embrace your professional (and personal) journey as yours, and no one else's. Be ready for your interests and objectives to evolve. Learn from every experience, whether it be a success or failure. Find someone who does what you're interested in doing and speak with them about their career development. Then find someone who you consider successful—even if their career is not exactly where you wish to be—and do the same.

Who is your favorite fictional lawyer? A tie between Clair Huxtable and Matt Murdock

What book(s) are you currently reading?

Locking Up Our Own by James Forman, Jr. and *Barracoon* by Zora Neale Hurston

What is your favorite Supreme Court Case of all time?

Gideon v. Wainwright. A judge for whom I clerked spoke often of justice as a process, not necessarily any specific result of a process. Gideon is a significant pillar in protecting the integrity of our adversarial criminal process and affording to each of us the "fundamental safeguards of liberty" recognized by that and later decisions. Also on my short list are New York Times Co. v. Sullivan and New York Times Co. v. United States, both of which reflect the importance of a free press and open public discourse as necessary elements of our society and an informed citizenry.



Associate Attorney at Crowell & Moring LLP National Trial Team Coach

BA, Temple University JD, University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law





BS, Bethune-Cookman University MBA, Texas A&M University-Texarkana

Hometown: Atlanta, Georgia

What student organizations, activities, internships, etc. have you been involved with at Maryland Carey Law?

Black Law Student Association Treasurer, Thurgood Marshall Trial Team Captain, Black Law Student Association General Body Member, Criminal Law Association

Who is your favorite Supreme Court Justice of all time?

Thurgood Marshall, a graduate of a historically black college and university (HBCU), who transferred his civil rights activism to the highest court in America.

What is your greatest accomplishment?

Working full-time and attending law school at night. This journey is not for the faint of heart.

Name something that people would be surprised to know about you.

I completed the Iron Girl Sprint Distance and New York City Olympic Distance Triathlon in 2014. Yes, I am one of few that can say, "I swam in the Hudson River, biked through the boroughs of New York, and ran through Central Park."

What is your best moment at Maryland Carey Law thus far?

Speaking in front of the Mayor of Baltimore, Baltimore State's Attorney, and so many profound leaders within the Baltimore community for the Billy Murphy Family Scholarship Benefit.

What is your favorite TV show?

Grey's Anatomy. The suspense of saving lives and intertwining political and moral values within the show is done so eloquently.

What is your favorite place to visit in Baltimore?

Teavolve Café and Lounge for red velvet pancakes and tea.

Hometown: Huntington, New York

Hantington, New York

What is your greatest accomplishment?

While I was a student at Towson University, I started a chapter of a nonprofit organization called Invisible Children. This was my first real experience being part of a nonprofit organization and I learned so much about what goes into building something from the ground up, while working for a cause I cared deeply about. It was exciting, challenging, and eye-opening all at once. During the two and half years running this chapter, I was able to build a foundation for a career in nonprofit work which I continue to build on today.

What is the best part of working at Maryland Carey Law?

Learning about the incredible careers and experiences of the alumni. I continue to be inspired by all the amazing accomplishments I learn about every day.

Name something that people would be surprised to know about you.

I have an above average knowledge of pop culture.

What is your favorite place to visit in Baltimore?

Bertha's Mussels in Fells Point

What was your dream job as a kid? Playing shortstop for a New York baseball team I prefer not to disclose.

What is your favorite TV show? The Office



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Maryland Carey Law looks forward to welcoming back our alumni community in 2019 for another weekend to celebrate and reconnect with classmates.







