The IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law: Celebrating 125 Years

Day-long Celebration Marks 125th Anniversary

Karen E. Bravo Appointed Dean of the Law School

Judge Patricia Riley, ’74, Named Alumna of the Year
Message from the Dean

It is with mixed emotions that I write my final Dean’s Message for our alumni magazine, *The McKinney Lawyer*. It truly does seem like just yesterday that I stepped into the role of dean of our outstanding law school. During the past seven years, I have learned so much about the dynamic and caring community of faculty scholars and teachers, students, and staff that we are blessed to have here at IU McKinney Law. I am also in awe of you, our alumni and friends, who are so supportive of our institution.

I have always known that one of the greatest attributes of our school is the involvement of our alumni and friends in the legal community in supporting our cause—but seeing it first-hand for the past several years has solidified that belief in so many ways. Hardly a day went by throughout my deanship when I didn’t see alumni here at our school—engaging in a wide variety of activities to enrich the experience of our students. Whether they were speaking to a class, participating in a symposium or panel discussion, serving on a committee, or teaching as adjunct professors, I was always impressed by the dedication and loyalty of our IU McKinney alumni. They epitomize the concept of giving back. The extent of the involvement of our alumni and friends is rare, and for that, I am truly grateful.

The talent and dedication of our faculty is unparalleled. Our faculty members are truly a caring group of individuals who not only excel in research, service, and teaching, but also encourage our students to provide assistance to those in the community who need it most, and to do it with compassion and sensitivity.

I also have a strong appreciation for the members of our administration who keep the law school running—dare I say it—like a well-oiled machine. These individuals strive every day to assist our students in their academic pursuits, their professional development, and their personal well being.

I am so grateful to all of those I have mentioned, along with the Indiana University and IUPUI administrators who have helped me to succeed in the position of dean of our school.

I am also very glad that even though I am stepping down as the dean, I will be returning to the faculty as a professor and you will find me in the classroom beginning in the 2021-22 academic year. I am filled with gratitude for the years that I spent as dean, but look forward to working more closely with our students in future years.

As we all know, we are currently experiencing a tumultuous time in the world—a situation of extreme uncertainty that most of us have never experienced—and that takes an emotional toll. As I ponder what we all may be faced with in the coming days, weeks, and months, I think of a poster that is displayed in the atrium of our school. It reads: One Community. Unlimited Opportunity. I find the emphasis on unity comforting in these times and I hope you do as well. We are all in this together. My wish for you all is for continued health and safety in these trying times.

Andrew R. Klein
Dean and Paul E. Beam Professor of Law
Civil Practice Clinic Student Makes Debut Argument Before Indiana Supreme Court

IU McKinney 4L evening student Brendan Haile made his first argument before the Indiana Supreme Court on February 20, with several of his fellow Civil Practice Clinic students and Professor Carrie Hagan seated in the front row, silently cheering him on. They were all there to take part in the oral argument in Naveed Gulzar v. State of Indiana, No. 19A-XP-00637.

Several students helped Haile prepare for the argument. “Going into it I felt very prepared, and all credit for that goes to Professor Hagan and the rest of the students in the Civil Practice Clinic,” Haile said. “Everyone played a part in developing our argument and it was just my job to deliver it. As for the actual argument, it was an incredible experience and one that I won’t forget. And the support from our co-counsel Elizabeth Bellin and Mark Altenhof was huge. I feel confident that we presented the strongest argument possible and I look forward to the Court’s decision.”

Justice Brent Dickson, ’68, Jan Aikman Dickson, Named “Couple for All Seasons”

Former Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Brent Dickson, ’68, and his wife, Jan Aikman Dickson, were honored as the “Couple for All Seasons” by the Saint Thomas More Society of Central Indiana. They were celebrated at a dinner that took place after the society’s Red Mass on October 1.

The couple was introduced by Andrea Korchert Townsend, ’13, who worked as a law clerk for then-Chief Justice Dickson. He was elevated to the Indiana Supreme Court in 1986, and became Chief Justice in 2014. He received the Civility Award from the Indiana State Bar Association’s Litigation Section in 2015, and the Indianapolis Bar Association’s Silver Gavel Award in 2014.

Jan Dickson founded the Judicial Family Institute, a national organization dedicated to providing information and education on topics of concern and importance to judicial households and their family members. It became a nonprofit in 1993, and she served as the organization’s president. She was inducted into the Warren E. Burger Society in recognition of this work.

The Couple for All Seasons award is given annually to those whose life and work exemplify the ideals of St. Thomas More.

Professor Janet McCabe Named Among ‘Women of Influence’

IU McKinney Law Professor of Practice Janet McCabe, Director of the IU Environmental Resilience Institute, was among the women named to the Indianapolis Business Journal’s 2019 “Women of Influence” list. The annual list includes women from diverse fields who are shaping Indiana’s business, educational, artistic and philanthropic landscape. They were honored at an event on October 31 at the Indiana Roof Ballroom.

“We are so pleased that Janet is being recognized, and deservedly so, as a ‘Woman of Influence,’” said Andrew R. Klein, Dean and Paul E. Beam Professor of Law at IU McKinney School of Law.

“Janet is a powerful advocate, someone who has spent her career working to advance policies to better protect healthy clean air and the environment. We are so fortunate to have someone of her stature here at IU McKinney. We’re thrilled that she is being recognized for her influence in our community, the state of Indiana, and beyond.”

Professor McCabe joined the IU McKinney faculty in 2017, after serving as the Acting Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation at the United States Environmental Protection Agency. She was nominated by President Barack Obama to be Assistant Administrator of that office.
Michael Kelly, ’94, Publishes Book, Meets Pope Francis

Michael Kelly, ’94, had the opportunity to attend a private audience at the Apostolic Palace in the Vatican and to meet Pope Francis. The meeting took place in November of 2019.

Kelly, the Senator Allen A. Sekt Endowed Chair in Law at Creighton University School of Law, attended the audience as a member of the Paris-based Board of Directors of the International Association of Penal Law. That work took him to Rome, where he addressed the 650 delegates to the 20th International Congress on Business Crimes at Luigi University Guido Carli.

Pope Francis greeted about 20 of the board members, and Kelly took the opportunity to present the pontiff with a copy of his new book on Cuba policy. Kelly’s book, The Cuba-U.S. Bilateral Relationship, was published in October by Oxford University Press. Kelly thanked him for his personal diplomacy between presidents Castro and Obama, which opened the way for a renewed bilateral relationship.

Kelly served as interim dean at Creighton Law from August 2017 through July 2019. He received his LL.M. in international law from the Georgetown Law Center, and taught at Michigan State University College of Law for five years before joining Creighton.

Professor Ryznar Ranks Among Top Tax Professors on SSRN for Second Consecutive Year

Professor Margaret Ryznar again has been ranked among the top 25 U.S. tax professors whose research was the most downloaded in 2019 at the social science research network, SSRN. This is the second year in a row she has made the list; she was first listed in 2018. A story about the news is at TaxProf Blog.

Professor Ryznar frequently comments on tax matters as well as family law issues for media outlets in the U.S. and worldwide. She is a Dean’s Fellow and a Grimes Fellow at IU McKinney, where she teaches family law; international and comparative family law; juvenile law; income taxation of individuals, fiduciaries and business associations; and trusts and estates. In addition to contributing to the Huffington Post, she edits the Family Law Prof Blog. Prior to joining the faculty of Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law in 2012, Professor Ryznar served as a law clerk to the Honorable Myron H. Bright of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit and practiced law with Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP in Washington, DC.

Dean Thompson, ’02, Named to Indiana Supreme Court Innovation Initiative

Chasity Thompson, ’02, Assistant Dean for Student Affairs at IU McKinney, was named to the Indiana Supreme Court’s Indiana Innovation Initiative in the fall of 2019. The group is chaired by Justice Steven David, ’80.

The 13-member group will identify opportunities to increase efficiency and accessibility through innovative technology and case management, analysis of reform, and development and testing of pilot programs related to reform. It will provide a written report to the Supreme Court by July 2, 2021.

Following law school, Dean Thompson served for two years as a judicial clerk to then-Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard. She was named an Outstanding IUPUI Woman Leader in March 2019 in the veteran staff category. She graduated magna cum laude from Alabama State University with degrees in English and Business Administration. She earned a Master of Business Administration degree from Auburn University and a J.D. from Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, where she actively participated in and chaired numerous school, legal and community functions. Also, she is pursuing a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration from Indiana University.
The Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law traces its origins to the Indiana Law School, which began operation during the 1894-1895 academic year, making the 2019-2020 school year the 125th anniversary for IU McKinney Law.
The Indiana Law School was part of a newly-formed University of Indianapolis that also included Butler University, the Medical College of Indiana, and the Indiana Dental School. Many of the members of the initial law school faculty had been faculty members of the De-Pauw University School of Law, which closed in 1893. Among the first trustees of the school were former United States President Benjamin Harrison, and Indiana industrialist, Eli Lilly.

The Indiana Law School was a full-time day school. In 1898, an evening school, the Indianapolis College of Law, was founded and a few years later, a second evening school, the American Central Law School, began operations. In 1914, these two schools merged and became the Benjamin Harrison Law School, also an evening school.

In 1936, the two schools merged and the Benjamin Harrison Law School became the evening division of the Indiana Law School. In 1944, the Indiana Law School affiliated with Indiana University, and became the Indianapolis division of the IU School of Law. It was also accredited by the ABA the same year. In 2019, the school also celebrated the 75th anniversary of its affiliation with IU.

In 1946, Indiana University purchased the Maennerchor Hall from the Maennerchor Hall Association in Indianapolis and moved the law school into that building. Designed by architect Adolph Scherrer, the facility had previously been used as a music academy for the Maennerchor, a German singing organization.

(ABOVE) The Maennerchor Building served as the home of the law school from 1946 until 1970.

(TOP) The original fireplace mantel from the Maennerchor Building now resides in the Woodard Room in the Ruth Lilly Law Library in Inlow Hall.

(BOTTOM) Some students who attended school in the Maennerchor Building were lucky enough to live in "the hole," a space the school provided if students needed living quarters.
The school operated as the Indianapolis evening division of the IU School of Law until 1968, when it separated from the Bloomington division and became the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis, offering both full-time day and part-time evening programs. The school moved into a new facility at 735 West New York Street in 1970.

In the mid-to-late 1990s, through the tireless efforts of then-dean Norman Lefstein, the school raised sufficient funds to construct a new law school building. In May of 2001, the law school moved into Lawrence W. Inlow Hall, located on the southeast corner of the IUPUI campus, just west of downtown Indianapolis.

Inlow Hall was dedicated on September 21, 2001, with an address by then-U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy.

“The law, like architecture, always is in search of ways to express itself, new ways to understand itself... The marvelous interior uplifting atrium symbolizes the aspirations of the law,” Justice Kennedy said. His words were, indeed, prescient, as in 2014, the school was named one of the most beautiful law school buildings in the world by Best Choice Schools.
Inlow Hall is within walking distance of the federal district court, Indiana’s Supreme Court and appellate courts, state trial courts, the Indiana legislature, federal and state administrative agencies and major law firms. This proximity to the heart of Indiana’s government and financial center provides students with opportunities not only to observe the legal process in action, but also to participate in that process as law clerks, judicial interns and legislative staff assistants.

The IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law provides the cultural, recreational and professional advantages of an urban educational environment. The school offers four degrees: Doctor of Jurisprudence, Master of Laws, Doctor of Juridical Science, and Master of Jurisprudence. In 1993, the law school established its Pro Bono Program. Through that program, IU McKinney Law students have contributed in total, more than 250,000 hours of pro bono service to the Indianapolis community. And the school’s clinics have served more than 6,000 people in Indianapolis and across the state.

In December of 2011, the Indiana University School of Law-Indianapolis was renamed the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law in honor of Indianapolis attorney, banker, and civic leader, Robert H. McKinney, who attended the school during the 1950s. The renaming was the result of a gift from Mr. McKinney, the largest philanthropic gift ever received by the school, of $24 million. Along with matching funds from the university, the total commitment to the school was $31.5 million.
Approximately fifty percent of Indiana’s lawyers and judges are graduates of the school, as are many prominent persons within government and business. The school was recognized in 2015 by the *National Law Journal* as being a “pipeline” to Congress because of the number of graduates serving in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. Two of the school’s alumni have held the office of Vice President of the United States.

Throughout its history, the school has hosted a variety of prominent speakers for the benefit of students and the legal community. More than 60 programs take place at Inlow Hall per semester, many of which offer continuing legal education credit to alumni and other attorneys in the state. Over the years, the school has benefitted from the visits of five sitting U.S. Supreme Court Justices, including former Justice Anthony Kennedy, former Justice Sandra Day O’Connor, Justice Samuel Alito, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, and Chief Justice John Roberts. These programs, and others, have provided a richness to the student experience, complementing the curricular offerings and bringing the law to life for students as they pursue their legal educations.

Additionally, the school frequently has hosted the Indiana Legal Education Conclave, which brings together the practicing bar, the judiciary, and legal educators to discuss the transition of law students to lawyers and how these groups can assist with that process, and to discuss the changes and trends in legal education and its effect on the legal community.

More recently, the school received a grant from the American Bar Association to partner with the ABA’s Office of Diversity and Inclusion in launching the Pathway to the Law online program, a project designed to create a pipeline into legal education, and ultimately, the profession, for students from underrepresented populations. The school hopes to continue the program permanently in the future.

The school is proud of its heritage of providing a fine legal education to attorneys throughout the state and nation for the past 125 years, and looks forward to continuing its time-honored tradition for the next 125! ✨
Fay Williams, J.D., ’71, doesn’t minimize the struggle of being one of very few women—let alone women of color—in her law school class, or in her career as an attorney.

When she was admitted to law school in 1968, she had already been working for more than ten years, in the U.S. Army finance offices at Fort Benjamin Harrison and, later, as a social worker after earning a master’s degree from the IU School of Social Work.

“I had always planned to go to law school and thought my education was not complete,” says Williams, who earned her undergraduate degree from Texas Southern University. “When I finally got to law school, I decided my goal was to get that credential. I was not expecting a welcoming committee. I went to class, got my degree, and went to work.”

When she graduated from law school, there were few opportunities for women. Williams was an activist on behalf of women and minorities, desegregation and other issues. “If the #Me Too or Black Lives Matter movements had been around then, I would have been in it,” she says.

Williams opened her own law practice in Indianapolis and faced daily challenges. One of her very first cases took her to another county’s courthouse, where she was asked, “Are you the colored lady who says she is a lawyer?”

Still in practice on a part-time basis at age 86, Williams has focused on family, consumer, and probate law during her career, as well as the representation of small business owners and non-profit organizations. She has been an adjunct faculty at both Butler University and IUPUI.

But civic life has always been a priority. Williams is a founding member of the Indianapolis Urban League, and has served as a member of the board of Directors of the United Way of Central Indiana, where she was also named a UWCI 100 Hero. She has also served on the boards of the Red Cross, the Indianapolis Children’s Museum, Indianapolis Economic Development Corporation, and Girls Inc. of Greater Indianapolis. Additionally, she is a founding board member and past president of the Indianapolis Chapter of Coalition of 100 Black Women.

Williams also served on the national board of the League of Women Voters and chaired a study of election law. For five years in the late 1970s and early 1980s, she served as a juror for the National Civic League’s all-America City Award, an award that Indianapolis won in 1982.

During the winter months, Williams retreats to warmer weather in her hometown of Galveston, Texas, and she spends some of her semi-retirement researching issues around emancipation of enslaved African Americans and Juneteenth, the American holiday that commemorates the June 19, 1865 announcement of abolition of slavery in Texas, the most remote state of the Confederate States of America when it collapsed after the Civil War.

“All law students should understand the complete history of America,” Williams says. “We tend to sanitize history, but I hope they understand the struggle is not over, although the symptoms, such as disparities in healthcare and housing, might be more subtle.”

“The path I chose has brought me a great deal of satisfaction and a great deal of friends,” Williams says. “But I would have liked the struggle to not have been so hard.”

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(TOP) Fay Williams, ’71, is a civic leader and trailblazer in the legal profession. Photo courtesy of United Way of Central Indiana.

The Women’s Caucus has been a fixture at IU McKinney School of Law since 1977, but does anyone remember the origins of the group?

Ten women remember. They were there at the beginning and have met annually since 1980 for a reunion that celebrates their unique role in IU McKinney history and their friendship, which has lasted through four decades.

Gathering at an Airbnb in Greenwood, Indiana from a half-dozen different cities for the weekend of September 27-29, the informal alumae group laughed a lot and shed a few tears as they recalled their law school experiences and lives they’ve lived and shared since.

Laura Hansen Dean, ’79, is a charitable gift planner and consultant, and Senior Director for Development for the University of Texas at Austin, and one of the founders of the Women’s Caucus, as well as its first president.

“It was a challenging time for women,” Hansen Dean says. One-third of the class entering law school in 1976 were women, the result of a gradual, dramatic shift that had begun at the beginning of the decade when only a handful of women had enrolled in what was then known as the IU School of Law-Indianapolis.

By 1977, the newly organized Women’s Caucus included 50 students, and membership doubled the following year. There was a newsletter, “Caucus Voice,” and the group hosted a successful inaugural conference, charging $5 for a daylong event that included sessions on assertiveness training, access to credit and personal finance issues, affirmative action, rape and abuse.

While the increasing numbers of women in law school was progress, it also heightened tensions in some ways, Hansen Dean says. Women were suddenly a force to be reckoned with. It wasn’t unusual for women to hear, for example, that they had taken a spot in law school that should have gone to a man.

At their reunion in Greenwood, the women also recalled the construction of additional women’s bathroom stalls at what was then a nearly new law school building on New York Street.

“I only have fond memories of law school,” says Kathelene Williams, ’79, a partner in the law firm Williams & Edelstein, co-founder and partner of the Fair Housing Institute Inc., and living in Hilton Head, South Carolina.

At the reunion, the women swapped stories about how, once they had graduated and passed their bar exams, they found limited job opportunities—and job interviews that included questions about their birth control methods or plans for marriage. Yet founders and early members of the Women’s Caucus went on to achieve many firsts and accomplishments during their legal careers. Members in the reunion group include:

• The Honorable Sheila Corcoran, ’79, Senior Judge, State of Indiana
• Janet Corson, ’80, retired Director of the Indiana Division of Mental Health and Addiction
• Lisa Stone Cunning, ’80, retired, one of the first women partners at Ice Miller
• Pamela J. Davidson, ’79, president of Davidson Gift Design, Bloomington, a consulting firm specializing in gift planning, planned giving program design and implementation and training, and former Executive Director at the IU Foundation
• Sue Ann Hartig, ’79, retired after serving as the first female judicial officer in Vanderburgh County and 26 years as Executive Director of the Legal Aid Society of Evansville
• Chris Kunz, ’78, Emerita Professor of Law, Mitchell Hamline School of Law, and Master Water Steward in St. Paul, Minnesota
• The Honorable R. Paulette Stagg, ’79, Magistrate, Vigo County, Indiana
• Jodie Woods, ’80, General Counsel for the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns/Accelerate Indiana Municipalities (AIM), one of the first practicing female attorneys in Johnson County, and former City Attorney for Greenwood.

“Look at our varied careers,” Williams said. “Our lives wouldn’t have been the same without law school.”

The women talk about how much they miss one of their group, the late Kelley Beckes Huebner, former Martin County (Indiana) Circuit Court Judge, who died in 2001. Many of them travelled to attend her swearing-in as judge and, a few years later, attended a memorial service that had been scheduled to coincide with Hansen Dean’s wedding so that the friends could mourn and celebrate together.

Sharing those life events is what has kept the group close, according to Corson, who recalls being eight months pregnant during her law school finals. No matter what their individual choices, the Women’s Caucus friends were supportive.

Day-long Celebration Marks IU McKinney’s 125th Anniversary

The IU McKinney Law family enjoyed an all-day party to commemorate the 125th birthday of the law school. The festivities began in the atrium at Inlow Hall with music, food, games, and prizes for students. Students enjoyed a variety of games during class breaks, such as giant checkers and jenga, corn hole and more.

The “125 Reasons Why We Love IU McKinney Law” activity was popular with the students, who wrote all of the reasons why they love the law school on sticky notes, which were then displayed on a board in the atrium.

(ABOVE) McKinney the Legal Beagle even got in on the anniversary action.

(RIGHT & BELOW) Students filled the 125th Anniversary board with hundreds of post-its expressing why they love their school.
(ABOVE) Something for everyone at the 125th anniversary celebration.
(BELOW) Just a few of the fabulous prizes that students could receive at the anniversary extravaganza.

(ABOVE) How many Legal Beagles are in the jar?
(LEFT) Students played a variety of games throughout the day.
(BELOW) Everyone come back and we'll do this again in 2045!

(LEFT) A pretzel bar in the atrium! Could it get any better?
(BELOW) Arقيل Shaw was one of the many students celebrating the school.
IU McKinney Law Celebrates 125th Anniversary

(ABOVE) Vice Dean Karen Bravo welcomed everyone to the evening program and introduced Professor Frank Sullivan, Jr., who delivered the Constitution Day lecture.

(ABOVE RIGHT) John Krauss, ’76, John Trimble, ’81, and Doug Church, ’70, chatted prior to the start of the program.

(RIGHT) Professor Frank Sullivan, Jr. spoke to a packed house at the 125th anniversary celebration.
On September 17, 2019, the IU McKinney School of Law was filled with celebrations. The school commemorated the 125th anniversary of its founding, the 75th anniversary of its affiliation with Indiana University, and Constitution Day.

The evening celebration began with a lecture on "Ex parte Milligan: Indiana’s Most Famous Supreme Court Case" from Professor Frank Sullivan. A former Justice on the Indiana Supreme Court, Sullivan is an Indiana University Bicentennial Professor. In this role, he is one of a total of 25 scholars, artists, and scientists who were selected by the university to conduct lectures throughout the state in honor of IU’s bicentennial.

Following Professor Sullivan’s Constitution Day lecture, the anniversary program began. Presentations were made by Dean Andrew R. Klein, IUPUI Chancellor Nasser Paydar, Mary Beth Ramey, ’72, chair of the IU McKinney Board of Visitors; Paul Kruse, ’81,
president of the IU McKinney Law Alumni Association, and 3L Carrie Devine-Ransom, president of the Student Bar Association.

A mayoral proclamation from Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett, and read by Dean Klein, announced that it was Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law Day. The proclamation highlighted the anniversary, along with the many contributions that IU McKinney has made to the City of Indianapolis. Dean Klein also read from a congratulatory letter the school received from Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb.

As part of the festivities, Professor Sullivan was named an honorary alumnus of the law school, with a presentation made by Paul Kruse and Emily Schrock, ’12, of the alumni association. Following the program, guests joined Dean Klein in a champagne toast, and enjoyed a reception in the atrium. ✨
(ABOVE) The celebration continued in the atrium following the formal program.

(LEFT) IU Board of Trustees members Molly C. Connor 2L, and MaryEllen Bishop, ’82, chat with Steve Tuchman, ’71.

(RIGHT) Dean Andy Klein offers a toast to the anniversary and to the next 125 years of IU McKinney Law.

(BELOW) A celebration of this magnitude, of course, called for cake!
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(LEFT & ABOVE) Professor Bruce Townsend is shown with his legendary collection of hubcaps and car parts rescued from the street near the Maennerchor Building following car crashes in the vicinity. Rumor has it that the sound of screeching tires outside the building would cause his eyes to light up in anticipation of a new addition to his stash. At the Maennerchor Reunion, Bob Everitt, ’65, presented Dean Andy Klein with a hubcap, both in honor of Professor Townsend, and so that Dean Klein can start his own, similar, collection.
CLOCKWISE, FROM TOP LEFT:
Jerry Williams, ’70, Ed Simcox, ’71, Robert Wagner, ’67, and John Burgett ’62, posed for a photo op at the event.
John O. Worth, ’70, and Rob Lehman, ’77, talked about their law school experiences at the event. John shared an interesting story about Larry Jegen’s tax class for the school’s 125th anniversary video.
Franklin Breckenridge, Sr. ’68 and his wife, Cora Breckenridge, were in attendance. Franklin was interviewed for the law school’s 125th anniversary video.
Enjoying the luncheon were, from left: Larry Fennerty, ’72, Belle Choate, ’72, Mary Beth Ramey, ’72, Dean Andy Klein, Rich Hailey, ’74, Mark Hanna, Brenda Farrell Fuller, ’72, and Steve Towne, Associate University Archivist.
Karen E. Bravo was named dean of the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law at IUPUI, on February 27. The appointment is subject to formal approval by the IU Board of Trustees at their next meeting in April. She succeeds outgoing dean, Andrew R. Klein and her appointment begins on July 1.

“Karen Bravo has demonstrated her outstanding leadership abilities in her role as vice dean and in previous administrative positions in the law school, at IUPUI and in national organizations. She brings the vision, energy and experience to build on the McKinney School’s strong reputation and to continue the school’s tradition of graduating students who build careers at the forefront of the legal profession, industry, the judiciary and other branches of government, especially in Indiana,” Indiana University President Michael A. McRobbie said.

“Dr. Bravo is a nationally and internationally recognized legal scholar whose academic work has focused on the structural causes of vulnerability to exploitation and ways of ensuring that underrepresented people have a voice.”

When Bravo assumes her new role in July, she will be the 13th dean of the law school since its affiliation with IU in 1944. She will also be the first person of color and the second woman in the school’s history to lead the urban-based institution.

Bravo first joined the faculty of the McKinney School in 2004 as an assistant professor of law. Over the course of 16 years, she has served as associate dean for international affairs, associate dean for graduate studies and international affairs, and most recently as vice dean for the school.

Among other activities at the campus level, Bravo co-proposed and co-led the Next Generation 2.0 leadership program for women and underrepresented faculty and staff at IUPUI, and she continues to serve on its advisory board.

She received the IU Trustees award for excellence in teaching in 2008 and the IUPUI Office for Women Inspirational Woman Award in 2016.

A national search for the new dean of the McKinney School of Law began in the summer of 2019. Retired Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court Randall T. Shepard and IU School of Social Work Dean Tamara Davis co-chaired the search committee, which represented a diverse array of stakeholders including faculty, staff, students, alumni, faculty governance and campus administration.

Bravo’s ideas to raise the law school’s national and global stature, extensive relationships across campus and the legal community, administrative leadership experience, and vision for the future of the law school and of legal education elevated her to the top of the candidate pool.

“Karen Bravo has distinguished herself for well over a decade on the McKinney faculty as both a leader and a scholar,” IUPUI Chancellor Nasser H. Paydar said. “Her depth of knowledge will serve the school well as it evolves to meet the changing demands of legal education and scholarship, and her extensive connections with the local and global legal communities will allow McKinney to create new opportunities for engagement, research and training of the next generation of lawyers.”

An expert in the study of human trafficking, Bravo is the founder and leader of the Slavery Past, Present and Future Project, which organizes an annual interdisciplinary conference that brings together scholars, civic leaders, government actors and other interested parties for a multidisciplinary ex-
ploration of human trafficking and slavery.

Bravo has served and chaired various affinity groups within the legal community, including the Teaching International Law Interest Group of the American Society of International Law and the Association of American Law Schools’ Committee on Recruitment and Retention of Minority Law Teachers and Students.

“I am honored by and excited for the opportunity to lead the McKinney School and to serve IUPUI in this way,” Bravo said. “I look forward to working with faculty, staff, students and alumni of the law school, the campus and university, and the broader Indianapolis legal community to chart the future direction of the McKinney School of Law. Central to the implementation of that shared vision will be the pursuit of high-impact legal scholarship and the education and transformation of the next generation of lawyers, policymakers, legislators and legal minds,” she added.

Bravo earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica. She received her Master of Laws from the New York University School of Law and her Juris Doctor from the Columbia University School of Law.
Law School Hosts Reception at Indiana History Center

The 2019 “Every Gift Matters” donor reception took place at the Indiana History Center on Tuesday, September 10. The law school had the opportunity to thank donors to the school and to update the attendees regarding recent law school events and initiatives. Speakers included Dean Andy Klein, IU Alumni Association President Paul Kruse and Student Bar Association President Carrie Devine-Ransom. It also provided an opportunity for alumni to catch up and visit with each other as well as with law school faculty and staff.

CLOCKWISE, FROM TOP LEFT:
The Honorable L. Mark Bailey, ’82, Don Smith, ’81, and Mitch Tanner, ’19 were in attendance at the reception on September 10.
Jan Kreuscher, ’84, (right) visited with students Annalee Patel, Ashley Skibinski, and Student Bar Association President Carrie Devine-Ransom.
Jennifer Staton Stoesz, ’87, chatted with Jan Dickson at the event.
The Honorable Steven H. David, ’82, David Temple, ’94, Paul Kruse, ’81, and Doug Church, ’70, enjoyed the gathering at the Indiana History Center in September.
Martha Hoover, ‘80, Delivers Address at Graduation

On May 9, 2019, graduating students of the IU McKinney School of Law were recognized during a ceremony at the Sagamore Ballroom at the Indiana Convention Center. IU McKinney alumna, Martha Hoover, ‘80, an acclaimed entrepreneur and restaurateur, delivered the address.

Hoover, who owns several restaurants in the Indianapolis area, is also the founder of the Patachou Foundation, which provides healthy meals to food insecure children in Indianapolis. Hoover has been nominated multiple times for the James Beard Foundation Awards’ Best Restaurateur honor. She has received numerous awards for her work, including being named “One of the Most Innovative Women in Food and Drink” by *Food and Wine* magazine. Hoover serves on the IU McKinney Board of Visitors.

Dean Andrew Klein welcomed graduates and guests to the ceremony. Student speakers included Aaron Coleman, representing the Master of Jurisprudence (M.J.) division; Olga Bratuhina, representing the Master of Laws (LL.M.) division; Marcel DuPlantier, representing the part-time Doctor of Jurisprudence (J.D.) division, and Sarah Dickey, representing the full-time J.D. division.

Vice Dean Karen E. Bravo presented Faculty Prizes to Sarah Correll and Jennifer Phillips. Vice Dean Bravo also introduced the graduates who earned Doctor of Juridical Science, Master of Laws, and Master of Jurisprudence degrees.

Hooding ceremony faculty included Professors Robert Brookins, Frank Emmert, Gerard Magliocca and Lloyd “Tom” Wilson for the S.J.D. recipients, Professor Frank Sullivan for the LL.M. recipients and Professors Allison Martin and Robert Brookins for the M.J. recipients.

Assistant Dean for Student Affairs Chasity Thompson, ‘02, introduced the J.D. recipients. They were hooded by Professors Carrie Hagan, Lahny Silva, Frank Sullivan and Tom Wilson.

Vice Deans Karen Bravo and Mike Pitts served as Marshals for the ceremony.

(TOP) Martha Hoover, ‘80, entrepreneur and restauranteur, delivered the address.

(BOTTOM) Two graduates were awarded Faculty Prizes at the ceremony by Vice Dean Karen Bravo. From left: Jennifer Phillips, Vice Dean Bravo, and Sarah Correll.
IU McKinney’s Alumnae Network honored Indiana Court of Appeals Judge Patricia Riley, ‘74, as the 2019 Alumna of the Year. Judge Riley was celebrated at the 20th anniversary luncheon on August 9 at the Woodstock Club in Indianapolis.

Mary Beth Ramey, ’72, delivered the tribute to Judge Riley, and Dean Andrew R. Klein presented her with the award.

Judge Riley was named to the Indiana Court of Appeals by Governor Evan Bayh in 1994. A native of Rensselaer, Indiana, early in her career she served as a Deputy Prosecutor in Marion County, and as a public defender in Marion and Jasper counties before entering into private practice in Jasper County. She served as judge of the Jasper Superior Court from 1990 to 1993.

Judge Riley is the former chair of the Appellate Practice Section of the Indiana State Bar Association, and is a member of the ABA’s Judicial Division. She is a member of the Indiana Judges Association and the National Association of Women Judges. In 2008, she co-founded the Legal Aid Centre of Eldoret, Kenya (LACE), which provides legal access to justice for HIV/AIDS patients in the AMPATH medical center. She worked in tandem with the law school’s Program in International Human Rights Law on projects related to LACE.

In 2011, Judge Riley traveled with the Washington, D.C.-based International Judicial Academy to The Hague, Netherlands, to observe the International Criminal Court and two International Criminal Tribunals that were hearing cases from Sierra Leone and the former Yugoslavia. And in 2012 she participated in the 3rd Sino-U.S. Law Conference, which was held in Beijing at the National Judges College of the People’s Republic of China, which oversees all aspects of that country’s judicial training, placement and promotion. In 2013 Judge Riley attended the Justice Academy of Turkey where she presented her paper about Ethics Rules in the U.S.

Judge Riley is a longtime, avid supporter of IU McKinney. She has not only served on the Board of Visitors and the IU McKinney Law Alumni Association board (including serving as president), she has also participated in countless law school events including mentorships of law students in both the J.D. and LL.M. programs.

The Alumnae Network is a forum for women graduates of IU McKinney to connect with each other, current students, and the law school community. For more information about the network and the luncheon, visit the law school’s website.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP:
Dean Andy Klein presented the 2019 Alumna of the Year Award to the Honorable Patricia Riley, ’74.
Mary Beth Ramey, ’72, offered a tribute to Judge Riley during the event. From left, Dean Andy Klein, Judge Riley, Mary Beth Ramey.
Judge Riley visits with colleague, the Honorable L. Mark Bailey, ’82, following the event.
Alumni Association Honors Monica Foster, ‘83, and Phillip J. Miller, ‘10

The Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law Alumni Association presented awards to two alumni on Friday, October 25 at a ceremony at the Indiana History Center. Monica Foster, ‘83, received the 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award and Phillip J. Miller, ‘10, was the recipient of the Early Career Achievement Award.

The Distinguished Alumni Award is given to those IU McKinney Law alumni who have demonstrated outstanding service to their alma mater, the legal profession and the community. The Early Career Achievement Award is given to IU McKinney Law alumni who have graduated from the law school within the last ten years and have a record of service and outstanding contributions to the legal profession, their communities or their alma mater.

Monica Foster is the Chief Federal Defender at Indiana Federal Community Defenders. She has argued before state and federal courts throughout the country, including before the United States Supreme Court. In private practice, Foster represented the government of Mexico when their nationals were charged with capital or potentially capital crimes in the United States. Foster’s commitment to public service spans many years, starting with her work with the Indiana Public Defender’s Council during law school. Foster was honored by the law school in 2014 at the Public Interest Recognition Dinner. She also was recognized by the Indianapolis Bar Association’s Women in Law Division with the Antoinette Dakin Leach Award.

Foster is also engaged in many civic activities, including serving as a character and fitness interviewer for the State Board of Law Examiners, and as a mentor for the IndyBar Women and the Law Division. She and her husband have hosted foreign exchange students from the Middle East for many years. Prior to law school, she earned a B.A. in Criminal Justice and Economics from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

Phillip Miller is the Chief Learning and Innovation Officer with Blackboard. He has over 14 years of experience with education technology. Miller leads new growth opportunities in the areas of teaching and learning and has been instrumental in creating global cross-platform content sharing programs that are used on an international level. Prior to joining Blackboard, he worked at Moodlerooms, ANGEL Learning, and Oxygen Education. Miller’s community service includes volunteering with the Indiana Sports Corporation, the Big Ten basketball tournament, Community Hospital Hospice Service, and his local church. Miller earned a B.S. in Computer Science and Information Systems from Ball State University, and an M.B.A. from the IU Kelley School of Business.

(ABOVE, TOP TO BOTTOM) Monica Foster is congratulated by the Honorable Carr Darden, ‘70, and Mrs. Lundy Darden. Award recipients Monica Foster, ‘83, and Phillip Miller, ‘10 are shown with IU McKinney Law Alumni Association President Paul Kruse and IU McKinney Dean Andy Klein. From left: Kruse, Foster, Miller and Klein.
On Tuesday, July 30, 2019, a portrait of beloved IU McKinney professor, Lawrence A. Jegen, III, was unveiled at a ceremony in the Ruth Lilly Law Library at Inlow Hall. Judge Deborah Shook, ’82, painted the portrait and presented it to the school.

Alumni and friends of Professor Jegen and Judge Shook were in attendance, as were family members of Professor Jegen.

“We are so pleased that Judge Shook has given us this portrait of Professor Jegen,” said IU McKinney Dean Andrew Klein. “We are grateful that she has shared her extensive artistic talent with us, and I’m sure that alumni will love to see the painting when they visit the school.”

The unveiling ceremony was followed by a reception in the Woodard Room in the library. Individuals wishing to see the portrait will find it hanging across the hall from the Woodard Room, next to the Rare Books Room in the library.
When Lauren Peña, ’13, remembers law school, there are some light-hearted memories—a Phi Delta Phi student talent show that featured a skit about professors, for one—but she also remembers the shadow of worry.

That’s because Peña recalls that the IU McKinney Law class of 2013 was one of the classes to graduate shortly after the financial crisis of 2007-2008, a global event considered by many economists to have been the most serious financial crisis since the Great Depression.

Peña and her classmates were well aware that the legal profession they were about to enter was not immune from the economic fallout.

“Many members of our class struggled to find jobs,” she says.

But Peña also remembers her classmates as passionate and committed to succeeding, despite the bleak economic news.

“When the opportunity to be a Class Agent presented itself three years ago, I wanted to do it because I knew it would be a struggle for members of our class to give back so early in their careers, especially given the challenges they faced at graduation,” she says.

Peña, who serves as the Associate Director of Student Recruitment at IU McKinney, also noted, “At the same time, I work at the law school, and every day I see firsthand what McKinney offers to students, the difference it makes in their lives, and the value of the program. I knew it was important to remind our class of all the wonderful things we have received from our time here.”

Peña is a bit competitive, so she’s been thrilled to see the participation in giving among her classmates increase since she became Class Agent. Even more satisfying is keeping a connection to her fellow law school grads through Facebook, law school-sponsored CLE events, and volunteer opportunities in which alumni speak directly with prospective and current students.

“When it comes to giving to McKinney, I don’t find it difficult to ask people for money,” Peña says. “Being a Class Agent means that I can relate to the unique circumstances we were in then. Every class has its challenges. My message is, ‘this is why I give, and why you should, too.’”
The 17th conference of the International Association of Consumer Law (IACL) took place at the IU McKinney School of Law, June 13-15. The theme of the event was “Innovation and the Transformation of Consumer Law,” and brought 92 attendees from 27 different countries to the law school. Professor James P. Nehf, an internationally known expert in consumer privacy and financial services law, and an IACL board member, served as the host of the conference.

The last IACL conference took place in Porto Alegre, Brazil, in 2017. This was the first time that the meeting has been held in the United States.

“Our international guests were very complimentary of the city, the law school, and all of our staff who worked on the event,” Professor Nehf said.

The event provided a forum where international scholars, practitioners, representatives of consumer organizations, public authorities, and business gathered to present and discuss issues relevant to consumer protection in many sectors and from various perspectives. Topics explored included “Post-Brexit Consumer Law,” “The Algorithms’ Revolution and the Consumer’s Right to Explanation,” and “Smart Contracts and Consumer Protection,” among many others. During the conference, scholars and practitioners presented their research during breakout workshop sessions.

Attendees took part in a welcome reception at the Indiana Historical Society, a dinner gathering at the Westin in downtown Indianapolis, and a visit to Dallara IndyCar Factory, where participants could take a ride in an IndyCar or a NASCAR through the streets of Speedway.

IU McKinney 3L Courtney Einterz served as the Conference Coordinator, and handled all communications, kept track of abstracts, registrations, papers, and worked throughout the planning stages, which began in December 2017. She was presented with the organization’s Distinguished Service Award.
OPPOSITE) Front row, from left: Geraint Howells, Dean of the law school at City University of Hong Kong; Claudia Lima Marques, professor at Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul; Lesley Fair, Senior Attorney, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC; Michelle Kelly-Louw, professor at University of South Africa, and President of the IACL; and Karen Bravo, Vice Dean, IU McKinney Law. Second row: Scott Barnhart, Special Counsel of Complex Litigation, Office of the Indiana Attorney General; Cory Voight, Special Counsel of Complex Litigation, Office of the Indiana Attorney General; and James Nehf, Professor of Law and Cleon H. Foust Fellow, IU McKinney Law.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT:
Professor James Nehf speaks to attendees at the IACL Conference in June.
IU McKinney student Courtney Einterz coordinated the planning of the conference and was presented with the organization’s Distinguished Service Award. In the photo, Einterz holds the award, which was presented to her by Professor Jim Nehf.
Vice Dean Karen Bravo addressed the group during the conference.
Attendees enjoyed a welcome reception at the Indiana History Center at the start of the conference.
Attendees visited the Dallara IndyCar Factory, where they had the opportunity to ride in a replica IndyCar or NASCAR through the streets of Speedway, Indiana.
By Alicia Dean Carlson

John C. Render, ’71, could embrace the title “self-made man.” He worked his way through Butler University and law school, attending classes in the evening while holding down full-time jobs. He and the late William S. Hall, ’51 started the law firm Hall Render, the largest health care focused law firm in the United States and serves health care industry clients throughout the country.

But he’s not really a believer in that concept. “In my experience, there is no such thing. People advance or succeed due to their own efforts, but people also need help,” Render says. “And everyone is the recipient of help, even if it is unseen. If not for Mr. Hall, for example, my life would be very different.”

He points to the many important people and institutions that helped him—an advisor at Butler, who steered him toward teaching as a way to pay for law school tuition, the IU McKinney School of Law, which has always offered a part-time program for working students, and the school’s faculty and administration, all of whom offered encouragement during those demanding years.

“When you go to a state law school, when I went, I was able to pay tuition because the state of Indiana and donors made it low enough for me to go,” Render says. “I feel some obligation to try to continue that. All of us have benefited from that support.”

Render and his wife, Diane, were both public school teachers early in their careers, which fostered a lifelong interest in supporting education, among many other civic causes. In 2019, they established the John C. and Diane L. Render Legal Scholarship for deserving IU McKinney students.

Once they decided to dedicate resources toward a scholarship, the process was easy, Render said. “The staff at McKinney and at the IU Foundation were very easy to work with and everything went smoothly and quickly,” he says.

Render hopes the scholarship will help bridge the gap between what law students can earn and the cost of tuition. As a long-time member of IU McKinney Law’s Board of Visitors, he is keenly aware of some of the challenges facing today’s students—which, in some ways, are similar to those he faced.

“It’s always been a mission of the law school to enable a good number of people to obtain a law degree when they otherwise might not be able to,” Render says. “I feel a great deal of gratitude.”

John C. and Diane L. Render Legal Scholarship

(ABOVE) John, ’71, and Diane Render are shown at the 2019 Presidents Circle Induction Ceremony. From left, Indiana University President Michael A. McRobbie, John Render, Diane Render, Indiana University Foundation President and CEO Daniel C. Smith.
Thomas Ewbank, ‘69, Establishes Scholarship

By Alicia Dean Carlson

Deep family ties to the legal profession in Indiana prompted Thomas Ewbank, ’69, to create a new scholarship, the Justice Louis B. Ewbank and Thomas P. Ewbank Scholarship, in 2019.

Ewbank comes from a long line of Hoosier lawyers—11 direct descendants of his great-grandfather John W. Ewbank. His great uncle, Justice Louis Ewbank, served as Marion County Circuit Court Judge from 1914 until 1920, when he was chosen as the 62nd justice of the Indiana Supreme Court. As early as 1907 and again after his retirement from the Indiana Supreme Court in 1927, Justice Ewbank was a professor at the Indiana Law School, which merged with the Benjamin Harrison Law School and, eventually, became the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law.

As an impressionable child, Ewbank remembers being in his uncle’s law office, with its desk piled high with papers. Justice Ewbank had a wonderful sense of humor, and often gave Ewbank and his sister a silver dollar when they visited, he recalls.

Justice Ewbank, who died in 1953, was respected in the legal community, authoring several legal texts and argued a case before the U.S. Supreme Court in 1940. “When I was just starting the practice of law, older attorneys throughout Indiana would ask if I was related to him,” Ewbank says.

Ewbank went on to have his own remarkable career. He joined the firm Krieg DeVault as a partner in 1995 and was an integral member of its Estate Planning and Administration Practice Group. He specialized in estate planning and administration and death taxes for more than 40 years and was recognized as a Board Certified Estate Planning and Estate Administration Specialist by the State Bar Specialty Certification Board in its first class.

Prior to joining Krieg DeVault, Ewbank was with Merchants National Bank & Trust Company of Indianapolis and served as Senior Vice President and Senior Trust Officer, heading the Probate and the Tax Departments for over 20 years. For many years, he served as attorney to the late Ruth Lilly, assisting the Eli Lilly and Co. heiress with her philanthropic efforts that include Inlow Hall’s Ruth Lilly Law Library. He retired from Krieg DeVault in 2011.

A Broad Ripple High School graduate, Ewbank went to Stanford University for a year before returning to finish college at Indiana University in Bloomington. Ewbank started law school on that campus but won a Ford Foundation grant to work for the Indiana General Assembly, where he met many attorneys in the legislature and state government who were graduates of the Indianapolis Division of the IU School of Law.

A young professor, Lawrence A. Jegen III, suggested he finish his law studies in Indianapolis.

Since it was an evening program, Ewbank’s classmates were also working adults, which gave Ewbank an appreciation for their sacrifices made to earn their law degrees. “It was a hard way to go,” he says.

Ewbank’s most recent gift reflects his family’s dedication to the legal profession and the hope that IU McKinney students will both benefit from the financial assistance and the proud legacy of the law school in Indianapolis.

“Considering the size of the law school, our graduates have always had an outsized presence and made an outsized contribution to Indianapolis and the state of Indiana,” Ewbank says. “That’s always been true.”
Erica Moeser, the former President of the National Conference of Bar Examiners, was the speaker for the James P. White Lecture on Legal Education. The event took place in the Wynne Courtroom at Inlow Hall on October 29, 2019.

Prior to the lecture, Professor James P. White was presented with an Indiana University Bicentennial Medal. The medals are awarded to organizations and individuals who, through their personal, professional, artistic, or philanthropic efforts, have broadened IU’s reach around the state, nation, and world. The medals are made from materials that were salvaged from the old bells which hung in the Student Building on the IU Bloomington campus.

Professor White, for whom the lecture is named, retired in 2000 after 26 years as Consultant on Legal Education to the ABA; he continues to serve as Consultant Emeritus. The office is responsible for law school accreditation, collection of statistics, among other duties. He continues to represent the ABA in a number of international legal education activities. The ABA and friends established this annual endowed lecture on legal education at IU McKinney in his honor.

Moeser’s topic was “Admission to the Bar: Reflections on History, Policy, and Perils.” Moeser retired as President and Chief Executive Officer of the National Conference of Bar Examiners in 2017, a position she had held since 1994. She is a former chairperson of the council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association, and has served as a law school site evaluator, as a member of the Section’s Accreditation and Standards Review Committees, and as the co-chairperson of the Section’s Bar Admissions Committee. She served as the director of the Board of Bar Examiners of the Supreme Court of Wisconsin from 1978 until joining the National Conference.

Moeser received her law degree from the University of Wisconsin, where she subsequently taught Professional Responsibility as an adjunct professor. She was elected to membership in the American Law Institute in 1992. She received the Kutak Award in 2013, which honors “an individual who has made significant contributions to the collaboration of the academy, the bench, and the bar,” from the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar.
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ABOVE, TOP TO BOTTOM:
Dean Andy Klein congratulates Professor James P. White at the event.
Dean Klein presents Professor White with a Bicentennial Medal for his outstanding service to the university and the legal education community.
Professor James White is shown with friends who attended the lecture and award presentation. From left: Marianne Tobias, Professor White, Byron Myers, and Dr. James Lemler, president of the Allen Whitehill Clowes Foundation.

Chief Justice of Singapore Delivers 2018 James P. White Lecture on Legal Education

The Honorable Sundaresh Menon, Chief Justice of Singapore, presented the James P. White Lecture on Legal Education. His address took place in the Inlow Hall Wynne Courtroom on October 30, 2018.

Justice Menon’s topic was “Law Schools—A Time of New Burdens and New Beginnings.” He talked about how the practice of law continues to change in response to globalization, technology, and market pressures, and discussed how legal education needs to respond to these challenges.

Justice Menon served as a member of the Senate of the Singapore Academy of Law, and as Chairman of the Advisory Board for the School of Law of Singapore Management University. He received his LL.B. with first-class honors from the Faculty of Law of the National University of Singapore, and an LL.M. from Harvard Law School.

Justice Menon served as Attorney General before being appointed as a Judge of Appeal of the Court of Appeal, and took office as Singapore’s fourth Chief Justice in 2012. He is the first non-Chinese, youngest, and the first Singapore-born Chief Justice in the country’s history.

In the photo from left are Professor James P. White, Chief Justice Sundaresh Menon, and Dean Andrew R. Klein.
National agriculture law experts gathered at the Indiana State Library on April 5, 2019, for the Indiana Law Review 2019 Symposium to discuss recent legal trends in what keynote speaker Harrison Pittman called an “extremely dynamic environment.”

The symposium, “Harvesting the Future: Issues and Opportunities in Agricultural Law” featured Pittman, J.D., LL.M., director of the National Agricultural Law Center, a unit of the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture and the only agricultural law research and information facility that is independent and national in scope.

Pittman listed his “Top 10 Issues in Agricultural Law” impacting agriculture at the local, state, national and international levels and playing out in all three branches of government. Among them: hemp and the 2018 Farm Bill; regulation of cell-cultured “fake meat,” and international trade negotiations, including a United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA).

For agriculture, it “kind of feels like we are betting the house,” he said. “Everything is on the line,” Pittman said.

He also called attention to three separate trials in North Carolina that resulted in punitive damages in nuisance lawsuits against hog farmers and the implications for state right-to-farm laws; the legal landscape regarding pesticides; the future of federal jurisdiction above and below ground in regard to the Clean Water Act; why Kisor v. Wilkie is a U.S. Supreme Court case to watch; the fate of the dusky gopher frog and “critical habitat” according to the En-
dangered Species Act; landmark water quality lawsuits and the “rights of nature” movement.

Also key: free-speech challenges to U.S. Department of Agriculture “checkoff” programs—sometimes referred to as research and promotion programs—that provide a substantial percentage of university ag research budgets, funding that helps advance knowledge in labs, research centers and fields and may be at risk if farmers are successful in arguments that such programs violate their First Amendment rights, according to Pittman.

The symposium also included:
- James Chen, Justin Smith Morrill Chair in Law and Professor of Law at Michigan State College of Law, presented “Agriculture, End to End,”
- Brianna Schroeder, attorney, Janzen Agricultural Law LLP, on “Sustainability, Environmental Law, and Agriculture”
- A panel discussion, “Lawyering for Agribusiness,” moderated by Melissa Proffitt, Partner-in-Charge of Client Relations, Ice Miller LLP. The panel included Joe Alberts, senior litigation counsel for Corteva Agriscience; Mark Becker, ’93, executive director and associate general counsel for Elanco Animal Health; Ross Johnson, partner, Faegre Baker Daniels LLP; and Adam Kline, associate, Bose McKinney & Evans LLP
- Amy Berg, associate, Ice Miller, presented “Issues in Agriculture Intellectual Property.”

Dean Andrew Klein opened the symposium with praise for the Indiana University and Comparative Law Review students who organized the event.

“It’s always very special to see fruition of the very hard work of our talented students,” Dean Klein said, noting that such events promote the “serious dialogue” that is part of IU McKinney’s strong connection to community and Indiana.

“The symposium is an opportunity for us, as a law review, to really focus on an issue. Agricultural law is a timely and important topic, especially in the state of Indiana,” said Sarah Correll, Indiana University and Comparative Law Review Symposium editor. “We were thrilled with our lineup of speakers and look forward to publishing their articles this fall.”

IICLR Symposium Explores Trans-Boundary International Crime

The Indiana International and Comparative Law Review (IICLR) Symposium explored the topic “The Fight Against Trans-Boundary International Crime: Approaches, Methods, and Solution.” The event took place March 1, 2019, in the Wynne Courtroom at Inlow Hall.

Speakers included Jeffrey A. Van Detta, the John E. Ryan Professor of International Business and Workplace Law at Atlanta’s John Marshall Law School; Kent A. Yalowitz, a partner at the law firm Arnold & Porter; Professor Ryan Martin of Chinese University of Hong Kong, and Professor Jenna Martin of West Virginia University College of Law.

The event concluded with a panel discussion featuring all of the speakers examining the topic “From Theory to Practice: What Role Should Individual Nations and Their Judicial Systems Play in Bringing International Bad Actors to Justice.”

In the photo from left are IICLR Executive Managing Editor Klara A. Zierk; IICLR Editor-in-Chief Jessica Ayer, Robert J. Pavich of Pavich Law Group, Professor Jeffrey A. Van Detta, IU McKinney Professor Frank Sullivan, Professor Jenna Martin, Kent A. Yalowitz, Executive Symposium Editor Andrew R. Lang, and Executive Content Editor Veronica J. Schilb.
Charles R. Dunlap, ’96, Executive Director of the Indiana Bar Foundation, was honored for his work on behalf of the public good at the second annual “Good Reception: Celebrating Social Justice and the Public Good,” at IU McKinney. A total of 54 law students also were celebrated for their over 13,000 hours of pro bono service throughout their time in law school. The event took place April 23, 2019, in the atrium at Inlow Hall.

Dunlap is a 1996 honors graduate of IU McKinney. He has served as the Executive Director of the Indiana Bar Foundation for 18 years. The organization provides civic education to Hoosiers of all ages, assists those who have difficulty accessing the justice system, and strives to improve the legal profession as a whole. Dunlap has been instrumental in administering Indiana’s grant-making process for supporting attorney pro bono efforts throughout the state.

Dunlap serves as a member of, and oversees the operations of, the Indiana Coalition for Court Access, the entity that coordinates all Supreme Court-related programs designed to provide civil legal aid to those with limited financial resources. He serves as director of Indiana’s Interest on Lawyers’ Trust Account program, managing the program on behalf of the Indiana Supreme Court. Additionally, he led the development of a statewide, online pro bono website called “Indiana Free Legal Answers” to help leverage technology to assist low-income Hoosiers with their civil legal needs. Civic education programs he administers include the “We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution Program,” which promotes civic competence and responsibility among Indiana’s elementary, middle, and high school students; the Indiana Mock Trial program; the United States Senate Youth program; and the Indiana Legislative Youth Advisory Council. Dunlap also is active in many other civic organizations, and traveled to Ft. Meade and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, as part of the law school’s Program in International Human Rights Law’s Military Commission Observation Project.

IU McKinney 3L Harmon Lian received the John Paul Berlon Service Award, in recognition of his many hours of pro bono service during his law school studies. Lian began serving at the Marion County Prosecutor’s Office after his first year of law school. He moved with his family from Burma when he was 13, and graduated from the University of Nebraska with honors before entering law school. Lian’s goal has always been to become an attorney, and he hopes to serve the Burmese community.
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The IU McKinney School of Law hosted “Health Law Responses to Crisis and Change,” as part of its annual fall continuing legal education event on October 8, featuring a variety of presenters who addressed important legal, health and public policy issues.

IU McKinney Law Professor Robert Katz spoke on the topic, “Hepatitis C Litigation: Using Prisoner Rights to Promote Public Health.” He drew lessons from several federal class action cases seeking to compel state prison officials to treat all inmates who are chronically infected with the hepatitis C virus (HCV). Professor Katz was co-counsel in one such action, Stafford v. Carter, which was brought against the Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC). In September 2018, a federal court held that IDOC’s failure to provide treatment violates the Eighth Amendment’s ban on cruel and unusual punishment. Professor Katz argued that courts should not determine an inmate’s access to treatment based on whether such access will improve population health, be it the health of society at large, or the health of the inmate population as a whole. Rather, courts should decide the question within the individual rights framework of the Eighth Amendment and the Bill of Rights more generally.

In their presentation, “The Opioid Overdose Crisis: Science, Policy and Law,” IU McKinney faculty Nicolas P. Terry and Aila Hoss teamed with Tracy Gunter, M.D., Professor of Clinical Psychiatry, IU School of Medicine.

Professor Terry, Hall Render Professor of Law and Executive Director of the Hall Center for Law and Health, provided an update to the overdose epidemic and opioid litigation, noting that while declines in deaths from drug overdoses in some states, “has tended to encourage a ‘mission accomplished’ feeling,” the crisis is “still very much there.”
Other presenters included Veronica Lei, Assistant General Counsel, Litigation and Legal Compliance, Eli Lilly and Company, and Sara L. Shudofsky, Partner, Arnold & Porter, who spoke on the topic, “Strange Bedfellows: When the U.S. Department of Justice Moves to Tack Against Pharma.” Audrey Mills, Chief Privacy Officer, and Jessica Mijares-Campo, Privacy Counsel, Eli Lilly and Company gave a presentation entitled “Overview of Key Data Protection Laws in the U.S. and Abroad and Program Implementation Considerations for Multi-National Companies.”

A presentation, “Can the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act Survive the 21st Century?” was delivered by Ralph Hall, Principal, Leavitt Partners; and Professor of Practice, University of Minnesota Law School; and IU McKinney Law alumnus G. Michael Witte, ‘82, Executive Director, Indiana Disciplinary Committee, provided an Indiana legal ethics update.
How can states combat brain drain and preserve—or grow—intellectual capital? What impact do civil rights laws and their enforcement have on a state’s demographic diversity?

Those were some of the challenging questions put forth at the 2019 Program on Law and State Government (PLSG) Symposium at IU McKinney School of Law on September 20, when PLSG Fellows Patrick Clark and Táitiana Foote presented “The Laws of Attraction: State Government Strategies to Influence Interstate Migration.”

Both Clark and Foote, J.D. candidates graduating in 2020, reported on how state governments are responding to population movement between and among states, addressing the issue from distinct angles.

In his fellowship address, “Getting the EDGE on Competition: Offering Businesses Tax Credits to Hire Recent Graduates,” Clark examined state governments’ various strategies to combat brain drain, focusing on state government tax law to retain university graduates in the state and how various state tax credits offered to businesses and how such tax expenditures can succeed in keeping intellectual capital within state boundaries.

Foote’s research and symposium address, “Who is Protected? An Analysis of State Civil Rights Laws and State Demographics,” examined states’ civil rights laws regarding bias in housing and the workforce. In particular, Foote looked at connections between the demographic make-up of states in conjunction with the level of protection and enforcement of those states’ respective civil rights laws and enforcement structures.

“Together, Táitiana and Patrick made a great team in bringing together such a terrific group of scholars, lawyers, and public servants to explore how states are influenced by, and responding to, interstate migration,” said Cynthia Baker, Clinical Professor of Law and Director of the Program on Law and State Government and Director of Experiential Learning at IU McKinney. “I applaud their dedication and their futures as lawyers at a time when our country, its states, their many local governments, and citizens everywhere, can benefit from their wisdom and work.”

The 2019 PLSG Fellows also introduced a variety of speakers and each led panel discussions. Those included:

- A panel discussion on “Indiana’s Fiscal Policy for Interstate Relocation,” moderated by Clark with speakers Chris Cotterill, Indiana Economic Development Corporation Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer; Paul Jones, Attorney, Paul Jones Law, LLC.; and John McDonald, former Chief Executive Officer at ClearObject.
- Luncheon speaker Dr. Jack DeWaard, Associate Professor, University of Minnesota, Department of Sociology and Graduate Faculty, Minnesota Population Center, who spoke on “The Legal and Spatial Interconnectivity of Interstate Migration.”
- A panel discussion on “Current Issues & Trends in Enforcing Civil Rights Laws,” moderated by Foote with Doneisha Posey, ’14, former Deputy Director and General Counsel, Indiana Civil Rights Commission; Samuel Anderson, Outreach and Education Coordinator, Colorado Civil Rights Division; and Barbara Archer Hirsch, Commission Counsel, Maine Human Rights Commission.
Symposium presenters included, from left, Chris Cotterill, Peter Romer-Friedman, Dr. Jack DeWaard, Munera Al-Fuhaid, Samuel Anderson,Doneisha Posey, ’14, Barbara Archer Hirsch, PLSG Fellow, Patrick Clark, PLSG Fellow Tátiana Foote, John McDonald, Paul Jones, and Program on Law and State Government Director, Professor Cynthia Baker.

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PLSG Fellow Patrick Clark presented a paper on “Getting the EDGE on Competition: Offering Businesses Tax Credits to Hire Recent Graduates.”
Cohen & Malad Symposium Focuses on Human Trafficking

The Cohen & Malad Symposium focused on the topic of “Human Trafficking: A Comprehensive Review.” The event took place on November 8, 2019, in the Wynne Courtroom at Inlow Hall.

Cohen & Malad established the fellowship and symposium in 2013. Vice Dean Karen Bravo and Senior Associate Director for Professional Development Jana Matthews, ’00, were the principal organizers of the day’s events. Each year, a student is selected for the fellowship and works on cases involving clients with consumer law matters through the law school’s pro bono partner organizations or through the law school’s clinical programs. The Fellow also plays an integral role in planning and implementing the annual symposium. IU McKinney 3L Kirat Sandhu was the 2019 Fellow.

The event kicked off with an introduction to the topic of human trafficking by Kate Kimmer, the Statewide Anti-Trafficking Coordinator for the Indiana Coalition to End Sexual Assault and Indiana Protection for Abused and Trafficked Humans (IPATH) Taskforce. Laura Donatelli Bow, Regional Coalition Coordinator for Indiana Youth Services and co-chair of IPATH’s Labor Trafficking Committee, discussed labor trafficking.

Lesley Bradley, Coordinator of the Indiana University Purdue University Columbus Office for Women, and Danielle White, Director of Outreach and Comprehensive Advocacy for Turning Point Domestic Violence Services, presented “Columbus, Indiana: A Community-Based Case Study.” The two also are co-chairs of the South Central Indiana Coalition Against Trafficking.

“The Human Costs of Human Trafficking” was presented by Andrew Campbell of Campbell Research and Consulting, Matthew Dodson of Dodson Law Firm, and Professor Susan Glassburn of the IU School of Social Work.

Retired forensic nurse Theresa Vietor discussed “RIGHTS—The Response Initiative to Guide Human Trafficking Services.” She’s the co-creator of the program that serves northern Kentucky.

The day’s program concluded with a discussion of “Civil Litigation and Human Trafficking” from Gregory Laker, ’84; Daniel Chamberlain, ’92; and Shaunestte Terrell, ’09, of Cohen & Malad.

TOP TO BOTTOM:
Event organizers and presenters included, in the front row from left: Jana Matthews, ’00, Senior Associate Director for Professional Development; Sarah Hanson, ’19; Cohen & Malad Fellow Kirat Sandhu; Danielle White; Lesley Bradley; Laura Donatelli Bow; and Kate Kimmer. In the second row from left are IU School of Social Work Professor Susan Glassburn; Vice Dean Karen Bravo; Theresa Vietor; Shaunestte Terrell, ’09, of Cohen & Malad; Andrew Campbell; Matthew Dodson; Greg Laker, ’84, of Cohen & Malad; and Dan Chamberlain, ’92, of Cohen & Malad.

A panel discussion on “Civil Litigation and Human Trafficking” was presented by Cohen & Malad attorneys, Gregory Laker, ’84, Shaunestte Terrell, ’09, and Daniel Chamberlain, ’92.
R. Matthew Neff, ’80, of counsel at Bingham Greenebaum Doll, talked with students at IU McKinney during a luncheon on October 29, 2019.

During the event, Neff talked with students about his work life, which he characterized as “a series of happenstances that I would never have believed if anyone had told me this would be my career path,” he said.

Neff began his career at what was then Baker & Daniels, where he became a partner. He then served as Deputy to the Chair of the Federal Housing Finance Board, now known as the Federal Housing Finance Agency, during the George H. W. Bush Administration. After that, he became co-founder and Chief Executive Officer of two Indianapolis companies: Circle Investors, an insurance holding company then-chaired by former Vice President Dan Quayle, ’74, and Senex Financial Corp., a healthcare receivables finance company. Neff also served as Chair, President, and Chief Executive Officer of AIT Laboratories, a national toxicology lab headquartered in Indianapolis. He took on this role after his tenure as President and Chief Executive Officer of CVH Capital, Inc., the venture capital subsidiary of IU Health.

“The great thing about law school is that it gives you the ability to teach yourself what you need to know,” Neff said, pointing out that he could not have foreseen his career in law, banking, investing, and health care law from his vantage point as a literature major at DePauw University.

“Law school makes you into a lifelong learner. That’s been the key to my success. Being a learner is a great thing for whatever you want to do.”

Neff served on the board of Riley Children’s Foundation’s first-ever Capital Campaign, which raised over $200 million for the hospital. He also serves on the board of the Fairbank Addiction Treatment Centers, among other charitable endeavours.

“Take your challenges where you find them and grow with them,” Neff told the students. “I’m better for having done that.”

Tuchman, ’71, and Bobrick Honored at Luncheon

Steven L. Tuchman, ’71, and Reed E. Bobrick were honored at the annual IUPUI Spirit of Philanthropy Luncheon that took place on April 9, 2019, at the Indiana Roof Ballroom. They were recognized by the IU McKinney School of Law for their outstanding commitment and generosity to the school. They endowed the Tuchman Bobrick Scholarship that is awarded to a self-identified gay male student at IU McKinney.

Tuchman received his undergraduate degree from IU Bloomington and has served on the IU McKinney Board of Visitors for many years. His husband, Reed Bobrick, is a graduate of Clark University and a founding partner and principal designer for Misch Bobrick Design. Both Tuchman and Bobrick stay in close touch with the McKinney law students who have received their scholarship, acting as mentors to guide them through law school and eventually helping them to launch and sustain their legal careers.

The Spirit of Philanthropy Luncheon was established in 1989 to honor the individuals, corporations, and foundations that have contributed to campus schools and programs through gifts and voluntary service.

Shown in the photo are, from left, IU McKinney Law Dean Andy Klein, Reed Bobrick, Steve Tuchman, ’71, and IUPUI Chancellor Nasser Paydar.
Grand Rounds

Hall Center for Law and Health Kicks Off Lecture Series With Hall Render Attorney


Powers, an attorney with Hall, Render, Killian, Heath & Lyman, provides advice and counsel to some of the nation’s largest health systems, physician group practices and health care management organizations. She regularly counsels clients on a national basis regarding a variety of health care issues, including mergers and acquisitions, health care reform, fraud and abuse and regulatory and corporate compliance.

At her Grand Rounds lecture, Powers offered some advice to attorneys who might be advising clients about opportunities in the healthcare space. She noted that a number of large entities—CVS, Walmart, JPMorgan Chase & Co.—are leaders in the drive to find new solutions and cost management. Private equity investors are the “new kids on the block” in the growing health care market, she noted.

They are examples of “disruptors” in the marketplace that are moving care out of the traditional realm, often with benefits in delivery of care, Powers said. “Disruption is forcing all of us to become better,” she said.

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Epstein Speaks as Part of “Grand Rounds” Programming

On Thursday, October 24, 2019, Wendy Netter Epstein, Professor of Law at the DePaul University College of Law, spoke on the topic, “Private Law Alternatives to the Individual Mandate.” Professor Epstein is the Faculty Director of DePaul’s Jaha Institute. An expert on the Affordable Care Act, Professor Epstein writes and speaks on topics ranging from price transparency (or lack thereof) in health care to patient decision-making. Shown in the photo are, from left, Professor Dan Orenstein, Professor Epstein, Professor Ross Silverman and Professor Nicolas Terry, Executive Director of the Hall Center for Law and Health.

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Grand Rounds Lecture Features Discussion of Parental Involvement Laws

Thirty-seven states in the United States require parental notice or consent for a minor to have an abortion, but experiences vary widely for adolescents who, for many reasons, want to petition a judge to bypass that notification requirement.

That’s according to Rachel Rebouché, Associate Dean for Research, Professor of Law, Temple University Beasley School of Law, who spoke on November 7, 2019 as part of the Grand Rounds lecture series.

Professor Rebouché is a co-investigator for a project at the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University that is investigating confidentiality and parental involvement processes for minors seeking reproductive health services.

While her research project is focused on southeastern states, Professor Rebouché noted that the Seventh Circuit recently upheld a preliminary injunction against an Indiana law that would require a judge to notify the parents of minors seeking an abortion, even if the judge approves her petition for judicial bypass and authorizes her abortion.

“It’s a complicated field,” she acknowledged. Through the research project, Professor Rebouché and her co-investigators hope to learn more about the health effects and consequences of parental involvement laws on the women impacted.

Professor Rebouché teaches contracts, family law, and health care law. Her recent research includes articles on prenatal genetic testing, abortion law reform, and collaborative divorce. She is the co-author of Governance Feminism: An Introduction and is currently completing a book on reproductive justice. She has a J.D. from Harvard Law School, an LL.M. from Queen’s University Belfast and a B.A. from Trinity University.
What’s Harder: Medical School or Law School?

That’s the question Dr. Melanie Heniff, M.D., answers from her own perspective as a full-time physician and part-time law student in a post for the popular website KevinMD.

“Absolutely the most common question I am asked by physicians, attorneys, and students at all levels of training,” she wrote in her November 16, 2019 article, “Doctor by Day, Law Student by Night.”

“The other most common questions are: why are you doing this/are you crazy? My gut feeling is that lawyers and law students hope I will say law school is more challenging, while med students and physicians are fairly certain I will respond that, of course, med school is much harder!”

Dr. Heniff is an emergency room physician in IU Methodist’s Level 1 Trauma Center and a member of the faculty at the IU School of Medicine. She’s also an IU McKinney 3L and a Hall Render Health Law scholar and working toward a Master of Health Administration degree through the IU Fairbanks School of Public Health. She was recently featured on the law school website for coming to the aid of another IU McKinney student who became a patient after a car accident.

In her KevinMD article, Dr. Heniff describes her demanding schedule. “Usually, I practice medicine during the day and attend law classes in the evening. Sometimes I have law classes in the afternoon or early evening then work in the emergency department all night.”

While she tactfully answers the post’s original question, Dr. Heniff also draws some important conclusions about the intersection between law and medicine. “I was inspired to write this article for many reasons,” Dr. Heniff says. “Since starting law school, I have been increasingly fascinated by the interconnection between medicine and law, and the sincere respect (and occasional hostility) between doctors and lawyers.”

She chose an impressive platform for writing. KevinMD.com is the web’s leading social media health platform, with 3 million monthly page views, and over 500,000 subscribers on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and RSS. The New York Times calls KevinMD.com, “a highly-coveted publishing place for doctors and patients.”

The article also includes a shout-out to her IU McKinney professors, “far too many exceptional IU law professors to mention and thank here, hopefully they know who I am referring to.”

Dr. Heniff was pleased they let the mention of IU McKinney law faculty slide through the editorial process. “Usually they remove any sort of specific identifiers such as names of businesses or other organizations,” she says.

“I feel so fortunate that when I finally decided to pursue my dream of attending law school I happened to live in Indianapolis where we have IU McKinney, a law school with an incredibly strong health law program and exceptional faculty,” she says. 

IU McKinney Law Welcomes Visiting Assistant Professor Dan Orenstein

Daniel G. Orenstein, JD, MPH, has joined the IU McKinney School of Law as a visiting assistant professor. He comes to IU McKinney from the University of California San Francisco, where he was a postdoctoral scholar at the Center for Tobacco Control Research and Education. His research interest centers on legal and public health best practices in cannabis policy, including emerging regulatory approaches, industry structure and behavior.

Professor Orenstein received a law degree from Arizona State University (2011), an M.P.H. in Health Policy from Harvard (2016), and a B.A. in Political Science and Sociology from the University of Arizona (2005).

Following law school, he served as Deputy Director of the Network for Public Health Law in the Western Region, providing technical assistance on a wide variety of public health legal issues. His general research interests are in the intersection of law, health, and behavior, with emphasis on how law and policy can positively influence health within established legal and ethical frameworks.

He also served as a Fellow and Adjunct Professor of Law for the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University.

“It’s wonderful to welcome another scholar to the Hall Center,” said Nicolas P. Terry, Hall Render Professor of Law and Executive Director at IU McKinney’s Hall Center for Law and Health. “Professor Orenstein brings a wealth of knowledge and great energy to McKinney. Faculty and students alike are going to learn much from him.”
IU McKinney Professor and Alumnus Secure Life-Saving Treatment for Inmates

The Indiana Department of Correction (IDOC) has entered into a settlement agreement to provide costly but life-saving medication to nearly 3,500 inmates who are chronically infected with the hepatitis C virus (HCV). The agreement is the result of a lawsuit litigated by IU McKinney School of Law Professor Robert Katz and Indianapolis attorney Mark W. Sniderman, ’06, of the firm Findling Park Conyers Woody & Sniderman, P.C.

The settlement was approved by Chief Judge Jane Magnus-Stinson, ’83, of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, in an order issued January 2, 2020. The settlement resolves a federal class action lawsuit, Stafford v. Carter, brought on behalf of infected inmates nearly three years ago.

The legal implications of this case are enormous, not only from an Eighth Amendment prison rights perspective but also from a wider public health point of view. Chronic HCV scars the liver and can lead to cirrhosis, liver cancer, and other complications. It has been IDOC’s practice to deny direct-acting antiviral treatment to the vast majority of HCV-infected inmates—almost 99 percent. The lawsuit alleged that IDOC’s denial of treatment violates the Eighth Amendment’s prohibition of “cruel and unusual punishments,” which bars prison officials from displaying deliberate indifference to inmates’ serious medical needs.

In September 2018, the court granted plaintiffs’ motion for summary judgment, finding that the IDOC’s HCV treatment policy violated the Eighth Amendment.

The agreement states infected inmates will receive “the recognized standard of care in the United States” for chronic HCV and will receive the direct-acting antivirals that have been successful in treating HCV. Inmates whose disease is more advanced will be treated first, and universal treatment will be phased in by July 1, 2023.

When implemented, the settlement agreement will help combat the HCV epidemic among incarcerated persons and the general population. An estimated 20 percent of IDOC inmates have chronic HCV. An estimated 3.5 million individuals in the U.S.—about 1 percent of the adult population—are infected with HCV.

HCV can be cured with direct-acting anti-viral medications (DAAs). A 12-week course of treatment with DAAs costs approximately $25,000 per patient. It will cost between $87 to $100 million to treat all current inmates in Indiana with chronic HCV.

Although the cost of treating HCV-infected inmates with DAAs is high, the benefits of providing treatment extend beyond prison walls.

“Approximately 90 percent of infected inmates are ultimately released and treating them in prison stops them from transmitting the infection to members of the general population,” Professor Katz said. “Treating inmates with DAAs is also simply a good use of society’s resources. The immediate costs of DAAs are offset by the savings of preventing the more costly late-stage complications of HCV.”

“This is an important decision in support of justice and the public’s health,” said Professor Ross Silverman of the McKinney School and the IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health. “We’ve seen a significant rise in the number of HCV cases in Indiana. Slowing and ultimately eliminating HCV infection in our state and across the nation depends upon providing treatment to this otherwise vulnerable and hard-to-reach population of people moving in and out of the prison system.”
Students Delve Into Indiana Opioid Crisis During Intensive Course

In the summer of 2019, students at the law school had the opportunity to learn about the opioid crisis in an innovative, intensive course, “Opioid Epidemic Policy and Legislative Drafting,” taught by IU McKinney Professors Aila Hoss and Nicolas Terry.

Professors Hoss and Terry have played significant roles in IU’s Responding to the Addictions Crisis Grand Challenge Initiative. They have written and/or collaborated on the following reports: “Legal and Policy Best Practices in Response to the Substance Abuse Crisis,” “Innovations in Opioid Law and Policy Interventions,” and “Opioid Use Disorder and Overdose-Related Legislation in the 2019 Indiana Legislative Session.” Drawing on their expertise, Professors Terry and Hoss designed the course to introduce basic principles and best practices for researching and proposing policy and legislation related to combatting opioid addiction. Students in attendance included those studying for the JD, JD-Master of Health Administration, JD-Master of Public Health, and Master of Jurisprudence degrees.

Students were required to create policy briefs based on research relating to various aspects of the opioid crisis in Indiana. Research encompassed such areas as public health laws, the relationship between harm reduction and criminalization, stigma-reducing strategies and the role of the healthcare system.

In addition to course work, students also heard from a variety of guest speakers who are experts in the field, including Dr. Tracy Gunter, professor of clinical psychiatry at the IU School of Medicine, who explained the science of addictions.

Law Students Benefit from Externship Opportunities

An externship at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta was an “amazing experience” for IU McKinney Law student Arriana Fitts, who worked in the CDC’s Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention in the summer of 2019, completing legal epidemiology work for HIV criminalization laws. Fitts is a third-year student earning a health law certificate at the IU McKinney Hall Center for Law and Health.

During her summer at the CDC, Fitts met with Dr. Jose Montero, director for State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Support, as well as Robert Charrow, general counsel of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. She toured the CDC Tobacco Laboratory and the Emergency Operations Center.

“Since beginning law school, I have been trying to find a way to integrate my interests in public health and law and this allowed me to do so,” Fitts said. “I was able to learn how to conduct legal epidemiology, legal mapping, and code. With all of the health courses I have taken, I was able to integrate classroom knowledge and theory with practical application and skills developed in a professional setting.”

It was just one of the many health-law related externships available to students through the Hall Center for Law and Health. Other summer externships included:

- Jacob Butz, 3L, Springbuk
- Emily Beukema, 2L, Hall Render, Detroit
- Jima Fahnbulleh, 3L, Southside OBGYN
- Paige Ferise, 2L, Indiana Legal Services
- Jonathan Tarro, 2L, Hall Render, Indianapolis
- Anthony Singer, 3L, American Red Cross

Both Fitts and Ferise were recipients of the Sandy and Bernie Miller Health Law Fellowship, established in 2018 by Sandra H. ’82, and Bernard O. Miller. It is awarded to J.D. students who work in unpaid summer positions as part of their participation in the Hall Center for Law and Health.
The Indiana Health Law Review tackled a hot-button topic at its annual symposium, “Getting Real About Health Care for All” on October 18 at the IU McKinney School of Law.

More than 120 attendees listened to speakers break down some of the issues, including what it means to provide health care for all, the viewpoints of stakeholders and states and barriers to a more inclusive health care system.

Melanie Heniff, M.D., Executive Articles Editor of the Indiana Health Law Review Volume XVII moderated the first panel discussion, “What is Health Care for All?” with panelists John A. Cogan, Jr., J.D., M.A., Associate Professor of Law and Roger S. Baldwin Scholar, University of Connecticut School of Law; Jacqueline Fox, J.D., LL.M., Professor of Law, University of South Carolina School of Law and Seema Mohapatra, J.D., M.P.H., Associate Professor of Law, IU McKinney School of Law.

Professor Mohapatra moderated a panel, “Can We Make Health Care Inclusive?” with Melissa Keyes, J.D., Legal Director, Indiana Disability Rights; Stacey Tovino, J.D., Ph.D., Judge Jack and Lulu Lehman Professor of Law, University of Nevada Law Vegas William S. Boyd School of Law; Ruqaijah Yearby, J.D., M.P.H., Professor of Law, Co-founder of the Center for Healing Justice and Equity, Saint Louis University School of Law; and IU McKinney Associate Professor Heather McCabe, ’03, M.S.W., who is also Associate Professor at the IU School of Social Work.

Dana Reed Wise, M.P.H., Bureau Chief of Environmental Health, Marion County Public Health Department, led a panel, “What is the Role of the States?” with Zack Buck, J.D., Professor of Health Law, University of Tennessee College of Law; IU McKinney alumna Amanda Schipp, ’11, Krieg Devault; and Nicolas P. Terry, LL.M., Hall Render Professor of Law; Executive Director, William S. and Christine S. Hall Center for Law and Health.

The afternoon keynote address was given by Matthew Cortland, a Massachusetts-based health care lawyer, who was introduced by TaNay Morris, Executive Symposium Editor, Indiana Health Law Review.

Cortland, who noted that his disability as the result of Crohn’s disease, which requires near constant medical management and expensive prescription drugs, “could happen to anyone.”

“Like 25 percent of American adults, I am disabled,” he said. Healthcare in the United States should be universal, high quality, affordable and accessible, he said. But “setting the current system on fire” to create change could have unintended consequences,
and, with any proposed plan, the details of coverage and access are important, Cortland said.

“The details are literally life and death,” he said.

Cortland’s address was followed by a panel discussion, “How will Stakeholders React?” moderated by Kimi Chernoby, J.D., M.D., Indiana University School of Medicine. Panelists included Matt Lawrence, J.D., Assistant Professor of Law, The Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law; McKinney alumna Taryn Stone, ’05, an attorney at Ice Miller; and Matthew Gutwein, J.D., President and Chief Executive Officer, Health and Hospital Corporation of Marion County.

The symposium concluded with a panel, “What are the Barriers?” moderated by Ross Silverman, J.D., M.P.H., Professor of Public Health and Law, IU McKinney School of Law, Professor of Health Policy and Management, Indiana University Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health. Panelists included Erin Fuse Brown, J.D., M.P.H., Associate Professor of Law, Georgia State University Center for Law, Health & Society, Georgia State University College of Law; Kosali Simon, PhD, Associate Vice Provost for Health Sciences, Herman B Wells Endowed Professor, Indiana University; and Sidney Watson, J.D., Jane and Bruce Roberts Professor of Law, Director of the Center for Health Law Studies, Saint Louis University School of Law.

Seven students participated in a poster session in which they presented their research, while those in attendance voted on the best work. Two winners were Paige Ferise, who was recognized for “Best Note in Progress” and Melanie Heniff, who was recognized for “Best Finished Work.”

Hall Center for Law and Health Earns A+

The Hall Center for Law and Health at IU McKinney is one of only seven law school health law programs to earn a perfect A+ grade from preLaw Magazine in its 2019 Back to School issue.

The William S. and Christine S. Hall Center for Law and Health was established in 1987 to expand the curriculum and teaching of health law and provide opportunities for students. The Hall Center offers more than 30 health law-related courses as well as a Certificate in Health Law, six joint degrees in health-related fields, and an LL.M. in Health Law, Policy, and Bioethics. In addition to hosting a multitude of events, symposia and the annual Health Law Grand Rounds lecture series, the Hall Center publishes the Indiana Health Law Review.

Professor Silverman Presents at Vaccination Summit

Professor Ross Silverman delivered an invited presentation on vaccinations during the Sixth National Cancer Institute Cancer Centers’ HPV Vaccination Summit in Dallas, Texas on November 15, 2019. His topic was “The Law, Ethics, and Politics of Adolescent Consent to Vaccination,” which is based in part upon his recent article in the New England Journal of Medicine, “Vaccination over Parental Objection—Should Adolescents be allowed to consent to receiving vaccines?”

Professor Silverman is a Professor of Public Health and Law and IU McKinney. He also is a professor of health policy and management at the IU Fairbanks School of Public Health in Indianapolis.
Health Law Week Kicks Off February 10 with Networking Fair

Networking and learning opportunities, healthy food choices, and the annual McDonald-Merrill-Ketcham Award Lecture were all on the agenda February 10-14 during Health Law Week at IU McKinney School of Law.

Activities began on Monday, February 10 with the Health Networking Fair, the IU McKinney Health Law Society’s biggest event of the year. The networking opportunity allowed law students to mingle with practicing health law attorneys. Twenty-five health law professionals participated in the event. The keynote address was given by the Honorable Amy Jones of Marion Superior Court. Judge Jones presides over criminal court 8, and both of Marion County’s Mental Health Courts: the Behavioral Health Court and the Psychiatric Assertive Identification Referral Program (PAIR).

On Tuesday, February 11, students were treated to a free, healthy breakfast in the Inlow Hall breezeway.

The following day, Wednesday, February 12, Visiting Assistant Professor Daniel G. Orenstein, J.D., M.P.H., spoke to students on the topic, “Cannabis and Health Law.” Professor Orenstein’s research interest centers on legal and public health best practices in cannabis policy, including emerging regulatory approaches, industry structure and behavior.

The annual McDonald-Merrill-Ketcham Award Lecture took place on Friday, and featured Professor Françoise Baylis of Dalhousie University presenting “Altered Inheritance: CRISPR and the Ethics of Human Genome Editing.”

Professor Baylis is a philosopher whose innovative work in bioethics, at the intersection of policy and practice, has stretched the very boundaries of the field. Her work challenges readers to think broadly and deeply about the direction of health, science and biotechnology. It aims to move the limits of mainstream bioethics and develop more effective ways to understand and tackle public policy challenges in Canada and abroad.

(TOP) The Honorable Amy Jones, of the Marion Superior Court, presented the keynote address at the Health Law Networking Fair.

(BOTTOM) Alumni participants included Eric Essley, ’99, (foreground at table #9), assistant general counsel at MDwise, who talked with students about career options.
Altered Inheritance Author Featured at McDonald-Merrill-Ketcham Lecture

Professor Françoise Baylis of Dalhousie University in Nova Scotia, Canada, was presented with the 2020 McDonald-Merrill-Ketcham Award at the 23rd annual lecture on February 14 at the law school.

An acclaimed bioethicist, author, founder and leader of NTE Impact Ethics, an interdisciplinary research team based at Dalhousie University, Professor Baylis presented a case for striving for a consensus on decisions about the use of genetic technology in her lecture, “Altered Inheritance: CRISPR and the Ethics of Human Genome Editing.”

Her book by the same name, published in 2019 by Harvard Press, was recently recognized with a Professional and Scholarly Excellence (PROSE) Award in the category of Clinical Medicine from the Association of American Publishers for 2020.

In discussing the complex science, politics, theory and practice behind what was once science fiction—the editing of human DNA, advancing reproductive technologies and “designer babies”—Professor Baylis made the case for encouraging consensus building to establish international frameworks.

As she explained the recent and fast-paced science of human germ-line editing—changing heritable DNA in sperm, eggs or embryos to make genetically modified children—Professor Baylis also argued that a global moratorium on the technology is a necessary step.

She called for “public empowerment” to clarify misconceptions and understand ethical and societal concerns that are too important to be left to scientists alone to decide. Professor Baylis also raised questions regarding the impact on women, and what “informed choice” means for research participants.

“CRISPR is a story of power, wealth, competition, inequality and exclusion,” Professor Baylis said. “There’s no reason why we couldn’t make it a narrative about social justice and social solidarity, neighborliness and community, cooperation and reciprocity, equality and inclusion. But we have to wrap it around a different set of values in order to re-order the discussion.”

After her lecture, the discussion continued with panelists Emily Munson, ’17, M.A., J.D., LL.M, an Indianapolis attorney leading the employment practice group at Indiana Disability Rights; Tyler T. Cho, Ph.D., J.D., a patent attorney assisting clients in intellectual property matters at Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP; and Peter H. Schwartz, M.D., Ph.D., director of the IU Center for Bioethics and Associate Professor of Medicine and Scholar in Bioethics, IU School of Medicine and Associate Professor of Philosophy, IU School of Liberal Arts, at IUPUI.

The annual MMK Lectureship and Award is supported by a bequest to the IU McKinney School of Law and the Indiana University School of Medicine. This lecture and award bring leading scholars and policy makers in the fields of law and medicine to the Indianapolis campus for the benefit of students, faculty, the bar, and the medical community. ♦
IP Center Hosts Open House for Students

The Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation hosted its annual Open House for students to have an opportunity to meet members of the faculty, adjunct professors, and get acquainted with students who are in leadership on the Intellectual Property Student Association. The event took place September 3, 2019, at Inlow Hall.

Students had the chance to meet with Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, Director of the IP Center and the Gerald L. Bepko Chair in Law; Professor Gerard Magliocca, the Samuel R. Rosen Professor of Law; adjunct professor Charles Schmal, a partner at Woodard Emhardt Moriarty McNutt & Henry; and James Leeds, ’92, Assistant General Patent Counsel at Eli Lilly and Company.

Professor Nguyen Lectures in Hanoi, New Orleans During Fall Semester

Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen spoke about her latest research during a symposium at Tulane University School of Law. The event took place on November 8, 2019.

In the photo, Professor Nguyen, right, is with Tulane Professor Kristin Johnson, the organizer of the symposium.

Her topic, “Disrupting Adhesion Contracts with #MeToo Innovators” was part of the Women & Technology Roundtable during the “Implications of Artificial Intelligence for a Just Society” symposium at Tulane. The title of the presentation is from her forthcoming law review article.

In October, Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen delivered a public lecture at the National Economics University Faculty of Law in Hanoi, Vietnam. The event took place on October 7 and Professor Nguyen’s topic was “Copyrights and Technological Progress: Opportunities and Challenges for Vietnam.”
Two Alumni Welcomed  Duane Marks, ‘00, Assistant General Patent Counsel at Eli Lilly and Company; and Amy Dunn, ‘17, Associate Attorney at Faegre Baker Daniels, visited Inlow for the IP Center’s luncheon speaker event. They discussed “IP/Patent Strategies & Branding Strategies in the World Where Social Media and Privacy Collide” on January 28. 

In the photo from left are Duane Marks, IP Center Director Xuan-Thao Nguyen, and Amy Dunn.

IU McKinney Alumni Featured  Several recent graduates of IU McKinney returned to the law school for the IP Center’s panel discussion titled: “From IP Classes to IP Opportunities in Indiana and Beyond.” The event took place at Inlow Hall on September 17.

Those taking part in the event were Nicole Dobias, ‘19, PactSafe, Inc.; Tyler Droste, ‘15, Gutwein Law; Joe Fehribach, ‘18, Barnes & Thornburg; Jaclyn M. Flint, ‘15, Riley Bennett Egloff; Audrey Wessel, ‘15, Gutwein Law and Casey Wright, ‘18, Ice Miller.

In the photo from left are Casey Wright, Joe Fehribach, Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, Tyler Droste, Jaclyn M. Flint, and Audrey Wessel.


Rudolph and Lindman talked about “Emerging Issues in Trademark Law and Practice.” The series provides an opportunity for students to hear from legal practitioners working in the field of IP law, and affords them the chance to ask questions and get to know the speaker after the lecture.

In the photo from left are Connie Lindman, Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, who is the IP Center’s director, and John Robert Rudolph.

Lecture on University Innovation, Technology, and Commercialization  Two recent graduates who now work in the IU Office of the Vice President and General Counsel returned to the IP Center at IU McKinney as part of the lunchtime lecture series on October 15. Brandon Bekkering, ‘18, Assistant General Counsel for Information Technology, and Eliot Blackburn, ‘18, Attorney Legal Fellow, were with Karen White, Executive Director of the Innovation and Commercialization Office at IU. The trio discussed “University Innovation, Technology, and Commercialization.”

The series provides an opportunity for students to hear from legal practitioners working in the field of IP law, and affords them the chance to ask questions and get to know the speaker after the lecture.

In the photo from left are Karen White, Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, Brandon Bekkering, and Eliot Blackburn.

Lecturer Angela Freeman, ’12  Angela Freeman, ’12, presented a lecture for the Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation Luncheon Speaker Series. She talked about “Stem, Women & Hi Tech: Changing the Faces of Innovation” on October 29, 2019, at IU McKinney.

Freeman is an associate in the Intellectual Property Department and Life Sciences Practice Group at Barnes & Thornburg’s Indianapolis office. She worked as a biologist at Eli Lilly & Co. prior to entering law school. She is the president of Women & Hi Tech, which works to connect female STEM professionals with each other and the Indiana community.

The IP Center’s luncheon series provides an opportunity for students to hear from legal practitioners working in the field of IP law, and affords them the chance to ask questions and get to know the speaker after the lecture.

In the photo from left are IP Center Director Xuan-Thao Nguyen, and Angela Freeman.
**IP Center Distinguished Lecture Series**

**Professor Sean Seymore**, the New York Alumni Chancellor’s Chair and Professor of Law and Professor of Chemistry at Vanderbilt University, discussed “Patenting New Uses for Old Inventions,” on January 22, 2019, in the Wynne Courtroom. Professor Seymore’s research focuses on how patent law should evolve in response to scientific advances and how the intersection of law and science should influence the formulation of public policy. In the photo, he is shown at left with Professor Gerard Magliocca, the Samuel R. Rosen Professor of Law, who served as interim director of the IP Center during the 2018-2019 academic year.

**Professor Jeanne Fromer** of the New York University School of Law presented “Overhauling Trademark Distinctiveness” as part of the Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation’s Distinguished Lecture Series. The event took place March 19, 2019, in the Wynne Courtroom at Inlow Hall. Professor Fromer specializes in intellectual property law, including copyright, patent, trademark, trade secret, and design protection laws. She is the faculty co-director of the Engleberg Center on Innovation Law & Policy at NYU. She is currently an adviser for the American Law Institute’s Restatement of the Law, Copyright. Before going to NYU, Professor Fromer served as a law clerk to Justice David H. Souter of the U.S. Supreme Court and to Judge Robert D. Sack of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. In the photo from left is Professor Fromer and Professor Gerard Magliocca, interim director of the Center for Intellectual Property Law during the 2018-19 academic year.

**Professor Jessica Silbey** presented “Against Progress: Intellectual Property and Fundamental Values in the Internet Age” as part of the IP Center’s Distinguished Lecture Series. The event took place September 26, 2019, in the Wynne Courtroom at Inlow Hall. Professor Silbey is the Co-Director of the Center for Law, Innovation and Creativity at Northeastern University School of Law. In addition to a law degree, she has a Ph.D. in comparative literature and draws on her studies of literature and film to better account for law’s force, both its effectiveness and failing as socio-political regulation. In April 2018, she was awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship in support of her work on a new book, *Against Progress: Intellectual Property and Fundamental Values in the Internet Age* (Stanford University Press, 2020).

**Professor Jonas Anderson** delivered the final lecture in the Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation’s Distinguished Lecture series for the Fall 2019 semester. His discussion of the topic, “Court Competition: The Past and Future of Federal Courts Engaging in Litigant Shopping,” took place on November 5 in the Wynne Courtroom at Inlow Hall. Professor Anderson is the Dean of Scholarship at American University Washington School of Law. He spoke at length about the relatively recent trend of patent cases being filed in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas, which hears about one-third of such cases in the United States. He also talked about other types of cases being filed more frequently in other jurisdictions. Professor Anderson spoke about the negative aspects of such tendencies, and why the United States Congress should take steps to combat this potentially growing trend.

In the photo are Professor Anderson and Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, the Gerald L. Bepko Chair in Law and the Director of the Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation at IU McKinney.
IU McKinney’s First IP Law Scholar

Laine Gonzalez was enjoying the technical side of her work as a mechanical engineer, but four years in, she wanted to find a different way of utilizing her engineering background. The 1L who is originally from Westfield, Indiana, is IU McKinney’s first IP Law Scholar. She is part of the law school’s evening division, and works during the day at the IP law firm, Brinks Gilson & Lione, as a scientific advisor.

Gonzalez talked about her work with Sanders Hillis, a shareholder at Brinks Gilson & Lione, for the Center for Intellectual Property and Innovation’s lunchtime speaker series on January 21. The event took place at Inlow Hall with Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, director of the IP Center.

Gonzalez moved to the Detroit area for a job offer after completing her bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering at Purdue University, where she also earned a minor in manufacturing.

"I realized it wasn’t quite what I was looking for in a career," Gonzalez said. She recalled hearing a patent attorney with a technical background speak while she was an undergraduate student. The attorney talked about utilizing that technical knowledge in everyday practice. Gonzalez reached out to an in-house patent attorney where she worked to learn more about what that attorney did at the company. "It was a great experience and is what convinced me to pursue a law degree."

At Brinks Gilson & Lione, Gonzalez primarily works on patent prosecution matters. She also works on various other intellectual property matters as they arise.

After completing her legal education, Gonzalez has a goal of working in the area of intellectual property as an IP attorney. She’s also interested in contributing in the area of public policy and education as it relates to STEM fields, and hopes to be able to contribute to that from the legal side at some point in the future. ♦
Autonomous University of Barcelona Joins Chinese Law Summer Program

IU McKinney’s Chinese Law Summer Program (CLSP) gained a new affiliate law school in March of 2019, the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB).

This brings the number of law schools affiliated with the CLSP to five. The others are Boston College Law School, University of Oklahoma College of Law, University of Tennessee College of Law, and the University of Bergen Faculty of Law in Bergen, Norway.

“The addition of UAB to the Chinese Law Summer Program is an exciting development for our law school and for our students. The subject of our study is the Chinese legal system, which is a civil law system,” said Professor Tom Wilson, Director of the Chinese Law Summer Program. "Students from the U.S. law schools come from a common law system. Students from Norway come from a mixed legal system not formally a part of the European Union. Students from UAB will represent a civil law system of a country within the EU. This diversity of legal perspectives provides an excellent learning opportunity for all students who participate in the Program."

UAB’s participation is directed by Professor José Maria de Dios, who teaches private international law at UAB Faculty of Law. He served as dean there from 2008 to 2013, and served as president of the European Law Faculties Association in 2017.

On October 7, 2019, Professor Wilson spoke at UAB at a conference titled “A Challenge for Training New Lawyers for a Global Society.” The conference also featured Professor Liu Yi-Sheng, S.J.D. ’18, LL.M. ’13, of Providence University in Taichung City, Taiwan. Liu is an Assistant Professor of Law, Deputy Dean for International Affairs, and Director of Legal Analytics Laboratory at Providence.

(ABOVE) In the photo are, from left, UAB Professor of Roman Law Carmen Tort-Martorell Llabrés, Professor Tom Wilson, UAB Professor and conference organizer José Maria de Dios, Providence Vice-Rector for Mission and Associate Professor of the Department of Spanish Language and Literature Ramon Santacana, and Providence Professor Liu Yi-Sheng.
Professor Edwards Joins Chef, Royalty, Diplomats and Students for Lectures on Pacific Cuisine and the Right to Food

IU McKinney Professor George Edwards delivered lectures in Suva, Fiji, in conjunction with the launch of the cooking show, Pacific Island Food Revolution, in April, 2019.

Professor Edwards collaborated with celebrity chef Robert Oliver of New Zealand on the public lecture series to discuss food deprivation in the South Pacific, and legal and practical remedies. They co-presented three lectures, each titled “Climate Change, the Right to Food, Cuisine of the Pacific, and International Human Rights Law: Challenges and Remedies in Fiji, Samoa, Tonga, and Vanuatu.” The lectures took place at the University of Fiji Faculty of Law, Fiji National University, and the University of South Pacific Faculty of Law, and were facilitated by the United States Embassy—Suva, Fiji and EducationUSA, a U.S. Department of State Affiliate.

Oliver identified food-related problems in the South Pacific, where traditional foods have been pushed aside in local diet, replaced by low value sugary and processed foods—junk food. This has led to increases in instances of diabetes, high blood pressure, obesity, strokes, cancer, and the stunting of children’s growth. The World Health Organization notes that 131 million people were living with diabetes in the Western Pacific region in 2014, and that figure could double by 2030. Climate change in the region has decreased biodiversity, and has left fewer natural food options.

Professor George Edwards appeared on an episode of the second season of the television program, which is airing in dozens of countries.

“The Pacific Island Food Revolution is a show that combines education and entertainment to explore critically important food issues, such as how good food helps prevent non-communicable diseases, such as diabetes, hypertension, stunting, cancer, and other diseases that are rampant in the Pacific and other areas of the world,” Professor Edwards said. He has been consulting, and providing insights on international law issues related to climate change, biodiversity, and human rights law.
IU McKinney Welcomes Vice Rector Vu of Hanoi University

Vice Rector Vu Thi Lan Anh of Hanoi Law University visited IU McKinney in August as part of her trip to the United States, where she met with representatives of a number of law schools. Vice Rector Vu was given a tour of the law school by Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen, and met with many members of the IU McKinney faculty.

Dean Andrew R. Klein presented a plaque to Vice Rector Vu in commemoration of her visit to the law school. In addition to meeting with Dean Klein, Vice Dean Karen Bravo, and Vice Dean Michael Pitts, Vice Rector Vu learned about IU McKinney’s online program, experiential learning, and all of the law school’s Master of Laws program tracks. Vice Rector Vu’s son, Vu Phan, is studying in the Corporate and Commercial Law LL.M. track at IU McKinney.

IU McKinney Welcomes Visitors from Beijing Institute of Technology

Two visitors from the Beijing Institute of Technology’s School of Civil and Commercial Law met students, faculty, and staff at IU McKinney on October 2. Shown in the photo are Dean Jianyu Wang, and Director of International Office and Assistant Professor of Law Shang-Ju Wu when they met with Dean Andrew R. Klein and Vice Dean Karen Bravo. After a tour of Inlow Hall and the Ruth Lilly Law Library, the two visitors learned about the Office of Professional Development, online learning opportunities available to law students, and had lunch with IU McKinney Graduate Programs faculty and staff.
Letter of Intent Signed

IU McKinney has signed a letter of intent with officials from the Burmese American Community Institute. The agreement, entered into on July 10, 2019, welcomes Myanmar law graduates to apply for enrollment in the Master of Laws, or LL.M., program beginning in Spring 2020.

All Myanmar law graduates will be considered for a Dean’s Scholarship. The amount of each individual scholarship is determined by the strength of the applicant’s academic record.

“I am delighted to build a collaboration with the Burmese American Community Institute,” said Dean Andrew R. Klein. “B.A.C.I. is well regarded for its community engagement, and we look forward to welcoming students from Myanmar in years to come.”

“Our relationship with the Burmese American Community Institute is an example of IU McKinney’s commitment to internationalization and community engagement, and to our global reach,” said Vice Dean Karen Bravo. “We are looking forward to welcoming the students to the IU McKinney community.”

Elaisa Vahnie, Executive Director of the Burmese American Community Institute, said, “We like to view this as building a nation, not merely as education. We are excited about this partnership, but this is only the beginning.” The goal is to train young people with professional educations to lead in various sectors, such as government, non-profits, and business.

Lun Peiper, ’09, was the first person originally from Burma to graduate from IU McKinney. She founded B.A.C.I. in 2011. Ro Dinga, Chair of the B.A.C.I. board, stated, “We have worked hard to develop a Burmese society here.” Around 20,000 Burmese immigrants call Indianapolis home, and Indiana is home to one of the largest populations of Burmese immigrants in the nation. “We are very happy to have a good relationship with IU McKinney.”

“This is a dream come true,” Peiper said of the signing of the agreement between B.A.C.I. and IU McKinney. She emphasized the need for attorneys in Burma to receive international legal training. Peiper is a Staff Attorney in the Indiana Supreme Court Office of Judicial Administration, and previously served as the Burmese Outreach Director and as a Deputy Prosecutor in the Marion County Prosecutor’s Office.

The Burmese community in Indianapolis can count another IU McKinney alumna among its connections. Nguyen Thi My Hao, LL.M. ’19, works at B.A.C.I. with their family reunification efforts.

Sara Kurtz Allaei, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor for International Affairs at IUPUI, said she was pleased to see the campus involvement with B.A.C.I. “To play a role in the development of a country like Myanmar, it’s exciting to be at the nexus.”

(ABOVE) In the photo are, from left, Vice Dean Karen Bravo, Dean Andrew R. Klein, Executive Director of the Burmese American Community Institute Elaisa Vahnie, and Ro Dinga, Chair of the B.A.C.I. Board of Directors.
Chinese Law Summer Program Hosts 41 Students

The Opening Ceremony for the 2019 IU McKinney Chinese Law Summer Program (CLSP) took place at Renmin University of China Law School (RUC) in May with Professor Tom Wilson, the director of CLSP, offering remarks to students during the proceedings.

A total of 41 students took part in the program during Summer 2019, eight students were enrolled in the two-week program, and 33 in the four-week session. Of those students, 14 were from IU McKinney, 16 were from the University of Bergen Faculty of Law, and three were from the University of Missouri—Kansas City School of Law. Other schools represented were the University of Oklahoma College of Law, the University of Kansas School of Law, the University of Tennessee College of Law, Boston College Law School, the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law and Cardozo Law School.

In its third decade, the CLSP was founded in 1987 in Shanghai. In 1998, the program moved to its current home at RUC in Beijing. Since the program’s inception, participants have come from over 100 American law schools. Students learn about the legal aspects of China’s socialist market economy, and the development of the rule of law. Classes meet in the mornings, which leaves afternoons and weekends free for study or exploring. In addition to classroom instruction, students visit several government offices and agencies, such as the Supreme People’s Court, the Ministry of Commerce, and a major Chinese law firm. Students also visit major cultural attractions around Beijing, such as the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square, Summer Palace, and the Great Wall.

FAESA Students Visit Indiana Supreme Court

Students and faculty taking part in the FAESA–Centro Universitario program in American law paid a visit to the Indiana Supreme Court and learned about wrongful convictions during their visit to IU McKinney in September.

Professor Fran Watson, ’80, taught a class on “Righting Wrongful Convictions with Forensic Science.” The group then paid a visit to Indiana Supreme Court Justice Steven David, ’82. They also had the chance to visit with IU McKinney LL.M. student Daniel Neves Pereira, who worked as an intern with Justice David during the Fall 2019 semester. Pereira is a state judge in Brazil, and is studying the International Human Rights Law track at IU McKinney.

In the photo, FAESA students visit with Justice David in the Indiana Supreme Court’s courtroom at the Statehouse on September 3.
Delegation from Eswatini Visits IU McKinney

IU McKinney hosted visitors from the Kingdom of Eswatini from the University of Eswatini and the Royal Science and Technology Park in October.

Greg Zoeller, Chair of the World Trade Center Indianapolis, joined members of the IU McKinney faculty and administration in meeting with the Eswatini visitors. The law school recently announced the addition of a seventh Master of Laws track in World Trade Law. IU McKinney and World Trade Center Indianapolis entered into an agreement to provide law students with opportunities to build legal skills in the area of international trade and commerce.

IU McKinney has a history with Eswatini, which was previously known as Swaziland. The Program in International Human Rights Law (PIHRL) has had eight internship placements there, including:

- Zoe Meier, ’12, interned at the Swaziland Commission on Human Rights and Public Administration, and Zonke Magagula Attorneys
- Johanna LeBlanc, ’16, interned at Women and Law in Southern Africa during two consecutive summers
- Islam Attia, LL.M. ’16, interned at Women and Law in Southern Africa
- Tex Boonjue, ’17, interned at Women and Law in Southern Africa
- Kari Knight, ’19, interned at Women and Law in Southern Africa, and Saving Orphans through Healthcare and Outreach

Professor George Edwards, who directs PIHRL, visited Eswatini in 2015 and was hosted by Ntsika Fakudze, LL.M. ’11, who is the Director of Legal Affairs in the King’s Office. While a student at IU McKinney, Fakudze interned with PIHRL at the United Nations headquarters in New York City, among other placements.

Lt. Col. Dan Mori Visits Professor Edwards’ Classes

A longtime friend of the Program in International Human Rights Law, and co-teacher with Professor George Edwards, visited IU McKinney on October 18. Lieutenant Colonel Dan Mori, U.S. Marine Corps retired, spoke to Professor Edwards’ International Criminal Law and International Law classes.

Lt. Col. Mori was the U.S. detailed military defense counsel for Australian David Hicks who was held at Guantanamo Bay and convicted in 2007 in the first completed U.S. Military Commission since World War II. Students from IU McKinney began working on Guantanamo Bay matters in 2003, and Lt. Col. Mori asked if McKinney students would work on Hicks’ case from 2004 until 2007. Professor Edwards and his students worked on the Hicks case. During this time, Professor Edwards was tendered as an expert witness in the case and made his first trip to Guantanamo Bay as one of the first two expert witnesses to be permitted to travel there.

Lt. Col. Mori hosted IU McKinney J.D. and LL.M. students as interns at an organization he founded, Australians Detained Abroad. Lt. Col. Mori moved to Australia and worked for a law firm’s public interest program after he retired from the military.
Professor Nguyen Hosts Delegation of Vietnamese Leaders

People taking part in the Strategic Leadership Development Program for Senior Vietnamese Government Officials (S-LEAD) visited IU McKinney on October 1, where they were hosted by Professor Xuan-Thao Nguyen.

The program offers leadership training to select senior officials for promotion to vice minister positions. It was created in 2015 and is supported by the government of Vietnam, the Vietnam Initiative at Indiana University, and the U.S. Department of State. Two cohorts visit the U.S. each year for two months of research and training, where they work with IU faculty, take graduate courses, visit and study about different U.S. government agencies at the state and federal levels, and take part in an executive leadership program at Harvard University.

Professor Nguyen holds the Gerald L. Bepko Chair in Law, and is the director of the IU McKinney Center for Intellectual Property Law and Innovation. She frequently travels to Vietnam and other countries to present her scholarship and to train government officials.

Justice David, ’82, Professor Adams, ’83, Teach at Vietnam National University

Indiana Supreme Court Justice Steven David, ’82, and Professor Cynthia Adams, ’83, traveled to Vietnam National University of Economics and Law in Ho Chi Minh City (UEL) in August to teach week-long courses at the 2019 UEL-McKinney American Center Summer School. Participating in the classes were law students and professors from UEL and surrounding Vietnamese universities as well as a significant number of participating students and faculty hailing from Japan, Taiwan, China, Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia, Malaysia, and Indonesia.
IU McKinney Master of Laws Students from Kyrgyzstan Present at International Student Speaker Series

Three attorneys from Kyrgyzstan who are working toward their Master of Laws degrees at IU McKinney delivered lectures as part of the International Student Speaker Series. The lectures took place in the Inlow Hall Faculty Lounge on November 5, 2019.

Kairat Kasymbekov discussed “The Impact of Tobacco Smoking on Developing Countries: The Legal Response of Kyrgyz Republic.” He was a senior lawyer of the State Enterprise “Customs Infrastructure” which is under the State Customs Service of the Kyrgyz Republic. He is an LL.M. student in the American Law for Foreign Lawyers track at IU McKinney, and also is completing an LL.M. in International and Business Law at the American University of Central Asia in Kyrgyzstan.

Iurii Pak talked about “The Judicial system in the Kyrgyz Republic.” Prior to enrolling in the IU McKinney LL.M. program, where he is studying in the American Law for Foreign Lawyers track, he was an attorney at the Urgarant law firm, and worked as a lawyer at the CJSC Microfinance Company.

Zholdoshbek Adamisa Uulu presented on the topic, “The Role of the Declaration of Incomes and Expenses of Public and Municipal Officers in Fighting Corruption in Kyrgyz Republic.” He served as a legal specialist at the Ozone Centre of the Kyrgyz Republic, and as an officer of the International Cooperation Department at the Central Commission for Elections and Referenda of the Kyrgyz Republic. He is studying in the American Law for Foreign Lawyers track at IU McKinney.

In the photo from left are Vice Dean Karen Bravo, Kairat Kasymbekov, Iurii Pak, Zholdoshbek Adamisa Uulu, and Professor Frank Emmert, who served as the event’s moderator.

International Student Speaker Series Focuses on Law in Nigeria

Three Master of Laws students who are practicing attorneys in their home country, Nigeria, presented during the final International Student Speaker Series event for the Spring 2019 semester. The discussion took place on April 11 in the Faculty Lounge at Inlow Hall. The talk was moderated by Professor Jim Nehf.

Babatunde Elegbede, who is studying the Corporate and Commercial LL.M. track, spoke on the topic, “Perfection of Titles in Nigeria (Lagos State Case Study).” His law practice focuses on corporate practice, as well as intellectual property and real estate transactions.

Yusuf O. Ibikunle, who is studying the Corporate and Commercial Law track, talked about “Bankruptcy—A Sword as Against a Shield. A Comparative Analysis of the Bankruptcy Laws of Nigeria and the U.S.A.” He practices corporate commercial law in Nigeria.

Oludolapo Modupeola Jimi-Baba, who is studying in the Health Law, Policy, and Bioethics track, spoke about “Health Insurance in Nigeria: Challenges and Progress.” She has practiced primarily in the civil law arena prior to beginning her LL.M. studies.

In the photo from left is Yusuf O. Ibikunle, Babatunde Elegbede, Oludolapo Modupeola Jimi-Baba, and Professor Jim Nehf.
GRADUATE STUDIES

IU McKinney Welcomes Master of Laws Students for Spring 2020 Semester

Master of Laws students from around the world began their studies at the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law with the Spring 2020 semester. Among them are:

- Salem Alghfeli of the United Arab Emirates, who is studying the International Human Rights Law track, which is the area he would like to practice in when he completes his studies.
- Yara Almajed is from Saudi Arabia, where she practiced family law and commercial law. She is studying the Corporate and Commercial Law track.
- Joyce Almeida Ponce is from Ecuador, where she practiced law for two years. She is studying the International Human Rights Law track.
- Dumua Alnajrani is from Saudi Arabia, where she graduated from King Abdulaziz University. She is studying the American Law for Foreign Lawyers track.
- Rayyan Aloie is from Saudi Arabia, where she graduated from King Saud University. He is studying the Corporate and Commercial Law track.
- Shadi Alsakka is from Syria, where he practiced law for nine years in civil, criminal, and international work. He is studying the American Law for Foreign Lawyers track.
- Ingrid Irion is from Brazil, where she has been a judge for 18 years. She is looking forward to immersing herself in American culture with her family while she is in Indianapolis, studying the American Law for Foreign Lawyers track.
- Bruna Neves is from Brazil, where she worked as a judge's assistant in the family law practice area, and worked as an intern in labor law before beginning her LL.M. She is studying the International and Comparative Law track.
- Tran Le Thien Ngan is from Vietnam, and received her law degree from Hanoi Law University. She is studying the Corporate and Commercial Law track.
- Adaugo Sandra Nwachukwu is from Nigeria, where she worked in the legal department at Amazon Energy Limited, an oil and gas firm. She is studying the International and Comparative Law track.
- Febuk Uya is from Nigeria, where she practiced law at a mid-sized law firm in the corporate and commercial law area. She is studying the Corporate and Commercial Law track.

(BELOW) In the photo from left seated are Salem Alghfeli, Joyce Almeida Ponce, Ingrid Irion, Bruna Neves, Ngan Tran Le Thien, Febuk Uya, and Adaugo Sandra Nwachukwu. Standing from left are Associate Director of Graduate Programs Perfecto Boyet Caparas, LL.M. ’05; Associate Director of Graduate and International Programs Heather Grimstad, ’15; Professor Nic Terry; Vice Dean Mike Pitts; Vice Dean Karen Bravo; Professor Frank Emmert; Shadi Alsakka; and Director of Graduate Programs Miki Pike Hamstra.
Students Completing LL.M. Degrees Honored
On Wednesday, December 18, 2019, students who completed the requirements for their LL.M. degrees were honored at a program in the law school atrium. Speakers included Vice Dean Karen Bravo, Heather Grimsdah, Associate Director of Graduate and International Programs, Professor Frank Sullivan, Professor Frank Emmert, and Perfecto Caparas, Associate Director of Graduate Programs. Graduating students had an opportunity to share remarks as well. The formal ceremony was followed by a reception for the students and their families and friends.

(ABOVE) Vice Dean Karen Bravo welcomed everyone to the event honoring LL.M. students on December 18 in the law school atrium.

(LEFT) Professor Frank Sullivan provided congratulatory remarks for the occasion.

(RIGHT) Professor Frank Emmert, Executive Director, Center for International and Comparative Law, offered insights for the newly graduating Master of Laws students.

(LEFT) Students present for the event included, from left, Vitalii Buz, Zholdoshbek Adamisa, Dario Pardo Salazar, Olajumoke Omotola Adeyeye, Fabiano Carvalho da Silveira, Minh Tu Tran, Daniel Pereira, Osama Alqahtani (a continuing LLM student in 2020) K airat Kasymbekov, and Abdurrahman Alarifi.
GRADUATE STUDIES

Caparas, ‘05, Speaks at National, International Conferences

Doctor of Juridical Science candidate Perfecto Caparas, LL.M., ‘05, took part in the 2019 National SJD Roundtable held at the American University Washington College of Law. The event took place on November 15.

In his work, Caparas says he formulates environmental human rights as a holistic conceptual framework synthesizing and integrating sustainable development and environmental human rights with scientific spirituality and quantum physics to combat climate emergency and crimes against humanity. He explained that environmental human rights refers to “the totality of humans’ economic, social, cultural, civil, political, environmental and sustainable developmental rights.”

“You have environmental human rights; you also have environmental human rights obligations,” Caparas told the audience. “This is environmental human rights’ yin yang.”

Caparas, who works as IU McKinney’s associate director of graduate programs, also discusses the significance and applications of his ideas in his dissertation-in-progress titled “Soul Empowered Activism: Environmental Human Rights Protection—The Quantum Way of Being, A Treatise on Spiritualized International Human Rights and Sustainable Developmental Law Quantum Praxis: Combatting Climate Crisis and Crimes against Humanity.”

In May of 2019, Caparas gave a similar presentation during the 23rd UBC Interdisciplinary Legal Studies Graduate Conference at the Peter A. Allard School of Law of University of British Columbia, in Vancouver, British Colombia, Canada.

Miki Pike Hamstra Serves as Visiting Scholar

Director of Graduate Programs, Miki Pike Hamstra, was selected to be a Visiting Scholar at the University of Economics and Law—Vietnam National University in Ho Chi Minh City for Fall 2019. Hamstra is director of Graduate Programs at IU McKinney. While there, she co-taught a course in Legal English that consisted of integrated language skills instruction designed to support graduate students for the language and academic demands of graduate study in the United States. They used legal materials and textbooks to teach students the reading, writing, speaking, and vocabulary skills needed for legal study, as well as listening strategies and note-taking skills required for all students in the academic classroom.

Hamstra’s research focused on a participatory design project that was related to the course. She worked with a small group of students and junior lecturers to design a digital badge for Legal English skills.
IU McKinney Announces Seventh Master of Laws Track

A Master of Laws (LL.M.) track in World Trade Law was established at IU McKinney in October. Available for graduate students at the law school, the new track is part of an agreement with World Trade Center (WTC) Indianapolis.

“This groundbreaking new LL.M. track demonstrates the law school’s commitment to global and community engagement,” said Vice Dean Karen E. Bravo, “and to preparing its graduates for the practice of law in the globalized 21st century.”

IU McKinney and WTC Indianapolis first teamed-up in 2017 to offer LL.M. students a chance to provide pro bono service and take advantage of experiential learning opportunities. Greg Zoeller, former Indiana Attorney General who has taught constitutional law for LL.M. students as an adjunct professor at IU McKinney, is chair of WTC Indianapolis. He knew from working with IU McKinney’s LL.M. students previously that they would be interested and capable of working with WTC.

“This World Trade Law track is at the heart of the partnership between our World Trade Center Indianapolis and the McKinney School of Law,” Zoeller said. “It will provide students from around the world an opportunity to do research from within the global trading system and expands the potential for our World Trade Center.”

Professor Frank Emmert, an expert in World Trade Organization law, is the director of the new LL.M. track.

“As a global first, the new track in World Trade Law is offered in close co-operation with the World Trade Center Association and the WTC Indianapolis,” Professor Emmert said. “Every student in the new track—in addition to 18 credits of subject relevant courses—has to complete a supervised internship of no less than six months at the WTC or one of its partners for another six credits. In this way, the students will receive a solid foundation in World Trade Law at IU McKinney, and enjoy unique experiential learning and networking opportunities right where trade law is happening every day.”

World Trade Center Indianapolis connects Indiana businesses to a global market place through a network of more than 300 World Trade Centers across the world. As the only World Trade Center licensed in Indiana, the organization is uniquely situated to offer opportunities to law students interested in building practical skill sets in international trade.

In a successful pilot of the track during the Fall 2018 semester, IU McKinney law students gained experience serving in pro bono roles with WTC Indianapolis, working with business leaders in other countries to bring foreign trade opportunities to Indiana. Students helped lead trade missions to China, coordinated inbound trade missions with officials from foreign business, and assisted in organizing an agreement between WTC Indianapolis and WTC Harbin alongside Indiana Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch.

Those who have questions regarding the new track should contact Professor Emmert, who also is the Executive Director of the Center for International and Comparative Law at IU McKinney.

International Student Speaker Series Features Two Attorneys from Nigeria

Somto Kizor-Akaraiwe and Olajumoke Omotola Adeyeye, two attorneys from Nigeria who are students in the Master of Laws program at IU McKinney, delivered the first International Student Speaker Series lecture of the 2019-2020 academic year. The event took place on October 24 at Inlow Hall.

Kizor-Akaraiwe spoke on the topic: “Corruption in Nigeria: The Danger of a Single Story.” She has an interest in the future of law in the information age and the place of copyright within general intellectual property law in the growth of artificial intelligence. She is studying the Intellectual Property Law track. Adeyeye discussed “Law and Entertainment: The Nigerian Perspective.” She practiced civil and criminal law before becoming an in-house counsel. She intends to practice entertainment law focused on compliance and risk management after she completes her LL.M. in the Corporate and Commercial Law track.

In the photo from left are Olajumoke Omotola Adeyeye; Professor Frank Sullivan, Jr., who served as the discussion moderator; and Somto Kizor-Akaraiwe.
Environmental Law Symposium Addresses Indiana’s Environmental Resilience

More than 200 people—and not all lawyers—attended the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law Environmental, Energy & Natural Resources Law Symposium on Friday, March 22, 2019.

Environmental activists, government officials and non-profit leaders joined law students and attorneys at the “Environmental Resilience: The Legal and Policy Landscape” symposium, which was a point that IU McKinney Professor of Practice Janet McCabe stressed during her introduction.

Indiana faces challenges due to rapid environmental change, but “these problems won’t be solved by one group of people,” Professor McCabe said. “It will take everyone working together, especially as we attempt to minimize problems related to climate, especially for the most vulnerable groups of our population.”

Jeremy Stutsman, the Mayor of Goshen, Indiana, delivered the keynote address, “Local Government Challenges and Opportunities for Planning for Environmental Change: The View from Goshen.”

In discussing his city’s environmental strides, Stutzman noted creation of parks, solar power projects and his pledge to work toward carbon neutrality for Goshen by 2035.

“Green thinking,” is important for the future, but arguing about climate change is not, said Stutsman, who said that there is little doubt that extreme weather associated with climate change is already seen as accelerating damage to Goshen’s infrastructure.

“We are working to build the argument for Goshen to take an even stronger position on the environment,” Stutsman said.

Melissa Wildman, Operations Manager of the Purdue Climate Change Research Center, presented evidence about climate change impacts to Indiana infrastructure, farming, water, energy and safety in her presentation, “What Does Climate Change Mean for Indiana?”

Since the beginning of the 20th century in Indiana, temperatures have risen 1.2 degrees Fahrenheit and total annual precipitation has increased by nearly 5 inches. Increased heavy rainfall has led to more flooding and there have been more record-breaking heatwaves, pointing to these climate trends continuing and intensifying, Wildman said.

“It’s extremely difficult for Midwesterners to think of climate change as a Midwestern problem, but it is happening now, and it is hurting Hoosiers,” Wildman said.

The symposium was sponsored by IU McKinney and the IU Grand Challenge: Prepared for Environmental Change and the Environmental Resilience Institute.

IU McKinney Law students presented posters of their research projects throughout the day, with Daniel Pereira, a student in the LL.M. program, winning special recognition for innovative thinking, and Quentin Collins, a third-year J.D. student, who was recognized for work in progress.
Other speakers and panel moderators included:

- Erin Rowe, Response and Recovery Division Director, Indiana Department of Homeland Security
- Freedom Smith, Partner, Ice Miller
- Chad Priest, CEO, American Red Cross Indiana
- Laura Jones, Filtration Global Facilities Manager, Cummins, Inc.
- Carmel Mayor Jim Brainard
- Phillippa Guthrie, Chief Counsel, City of Bloomington
- Julie Ezell, Associate General Counsel, Duke Energy
- Sarah Freeman
- Tristan Vance, Chief Energy Officer, Indiana Department of Energy
- Jesse Kharbanda, Executive Director, Hoosier Environmental Council
- Maggie Rice, Vice President and Deputy General Council, NiSource
- Christian Freitag, Executive Director, Indiana University Conservation Law Clinic
- Paul Babcock, Director, Mayor’s Office of Public Health and Safety, City of Indianapolis
- Andrea Ciobanu, Ciobanu Law
- Adam Mueller, Director of Advocacy, Indiana Legal Services

News from the symposium was covered in stories appearing in the Washington Times Herald and The Indiana Lawyer.
Environmental Law Leader Speaks at IU McKinney

Attorney John Cruden, former senior leader on environment and natural resource matters at the United States Department of Justice, talked about the evolution in environmental law at a lecture on September 19 at IU McKinney School of Law.

Cruden supervised some of the department’s most significant litigation and high-profile environmental cases, including the Exxon Valdez oil spill, Love Canal, and Bunker Hill litigation and personally negotiated the multi-billion dollar resolutions of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill and the Volkswagen emissions scandal.

Now in private practice as principal at Beveridge & Diamond, Cruden spoke at the IU McKinney School of Law on September 24 for a lecture, “Environmental Law in Transition: Moving Towards a New Paradigm,” sponsored by the Program in Environmental and Natural Resources Law.

Cruden opened his remarks by declaring that “environmental law is born of tragedy,” pointing to the historic 1969 Cuyahoga River fire in Cleveland as an event that spurred the modern environmental movement. In fact, Cruden says, the river had caught fire many times before, but the 1969 blaze caught the attention of Congress, which established the Environmental Protection Agency the following year.

Cruden’s lecture detailed several other events in the evolution of environmental law, and he challenged the audience. “Are we ready for the next Cuyahoga moment?”

(ABOVE) John Cruden spoke to students, faculty, staff, alumni, and members of the legal community at Inlow Hall on September 19.

(LEFT) John Cruden is shown with IU McKinney Law Professor Janet McCabe, Director of the IU Environmental Resilience Institute.
Former Mayor Urges Embrace of Post-Oil Technology

Why have U.S. troops been in the Middle East for the past 40 years?

The answer is simple: American dependence on oil, according to former Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard, who spoke at IU McKinney School of Law on November 19.

Ballard, who served two terms as mayor after his election in 2007, described the extent to which the U.S. protects the global flow of oil, costing American taxpayers $81 billion in 2017, or 15 percent of the nation’s defense budget.

“It’s time for our troops to come home from the Middle East,” Ballard said. “We can do this in 20 years if we change the fuel in our transportation.”

Ballard spoke about his thesis which is outlined in his book, Less Oil or More Caskets: The National Security Argument for Moving Away from Oil. An unabashed fan of his Tesla electric car, Ballard noted that 70 percent of the oil in the world is used for transportation, and 80 percent of the world’s known oil reserves are in the hands of monarchs and dictators whose interests are not aligned with those of the U.S.

Switching to new transportation technology will defund terrorist organizations and change strategic leverage around the world, according to Ballard, a Persian Gulf War veteran who served for 23 years in the U.S. Marine Corps and retired as a lieutenant colonel.

Ballard’s talk, sponsored by IU McKinney’s Program in Environmental and Natural Resources Law, was followed by a short presentation on “Mobile Sources, Climate Change and the Current State of Regulation,” by Professor Janet McCabe.

A former EPA administrator during the Obama administration, Professor McCabe is Director of the IU Environmental Resilience Institute. She shared insights into current sources of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions, proposed changes to EPA regulations for clean car rules, and predictions about Congressional action—or inaction, as McCabe thinks the case might be.

For the past three years, there have been many proposals from the Trump administration to dismantle important EPA regulations that have meant cleaner air and water for Americans, but lawsuits have tied up those efforts, McCabe said.

“It remains to be seen whether there is a lasting impact,” McCabe said. Meanwhile, she urged the audience to think about the ongoing, serious health and climate impacts of air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions—29 percent of which, in the U.S., comes from the transportation sector. “Just because you can’t see it doesn’t mean it’s not there,” she said.
As faculty advisor to the Program on Law and State Government fellows, Patrick Clark and Tatiana Foote, Cynthia Baker hosted the 18th annual Program on Law and State Government Fellowship Symposium The Laws of Attraction: State Government Strategies to Influence Interstate Migration. The event took place on September 20. The symposium brought together a terrific group of lawyers, scholars, and public servants to discuss the role of law, lawyers, government, governments, and democracy in exploring how states are influenced by, and responding to, interstate migration.

Susan deMaine was elected to the executive board of the American Association of Law Libraries. She also made two presentations on the digitizing of the historical Indiana Code, both in October and both with Benjamin J. Keele. One was at the Mid America Association of Law Libraries conference, in St. Louis, Missouri, and the other at the Ohio Regional Association of Law Libraries conference, in Sandusky, Ohio. In addition, deMaine and Rena K. Seidler presented at the American Association of Law Libraries annual meeting in Washington, D.C., in July on teaching legal research to the visually impaired.

Jim Dimitri spoke at the Central States Legal Writing Conference at the UIC John Marshall Law School in Chicago on September 14. His topic, “Neuroscience & Legal Writing,” discussed how the principles of cognitive psychology and neuroscience might improve the editing process for law students and lawyers.

Jennifer Drobac was awarded the Samuel R. Rosen Professorship in July 2019. She was accepted as a Visiting Scholar at Stanford Law School for the Winter/Spring 2021 term, and was accepted as a Visiting Scholar the University of Washington School of Law for the Winter/Spring 2020 term. An opinion piece that she wrote, “Americans Must Demand a Fair Impeachment Investigation,” was published in The Indianapolis Star on June 2. She also remains in demand by local, national, and international media for her expertise in sexual harassment law. She was recently interviewed for stories that appeared in The Indianapolis Star, WNIN, Project Voice, and the Associated Press for a story that appeared in The Washington Post and The New York Times, and Vox.

Yvonne Dutton took part in the International Criminal Court Scholars Forum in the Hague, the Netherlands June 20-22, 2019. Judge Kimberly Prost, an ICC Judge, was among the panelists for the opening plenary session. She also attended the International Humanitarian Law Dialogues again this year at Chautauqua, New York. The title was “The 13th International Humanitarian Law Roundtable: The Third Wave...Adapting Modern ICL to 21st Century Realities.” Panels included four of the first prosecutors for four different international criminal tribunals, who shared stories about how they came to occupy their posts. Professor Dutton presented at International Law Weekend at Fordham University in October. Her panel discussed the topic of women in international criminal law—particularly the importance of ensuring adequate representation of women in roles as judges on the international criminal courts. She was invited to present, and did present, at a symposium at Maastricht University in the Netherlands, October 24 and 25. Her topic was, "The Virtual Courtroom: The Step Forward to Prevent In Absentia?"

Professor Dutton completed a chapter for an upcoming book project. Her chapter is titled “Post-Conflict State Building: Refugees and IDPs,” in Handbook on Post-Conflict State Building (Paul Williams & Milena Sterio, eds.) (Edward Elgar Publishing). In addition, the paper sharing the findings from data collected by Professor Dutton and her colleagues from an on-the-ground survey of 507 individuals in Kenya has been accepted for publication by the peer-reviewed JOURNAL OF CONFLICT RESOLUTION. The article, “What Determines Perceptions of Bias Toward the International Criminal Court?: Evidence from Kenya,” was written by Professor Dutton with Geoff Dancy, Eamon Aloyo, and Tessa Alleblas.

George Edwards began supervising an IU McKinney student project involving students from 3 law schools in 3 different countries: Chulalongkorn University Faculty of Law in Bangkok, Thailand; Auckland University of Technology in Auckland, New Zealand, and IU McKinney, for a prisoner’s petition before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights. The prisoner in question has been held at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for more than 15 years.

Professor Edwards also presented his lecture, “Climate Change, Cuisine of the Pacific, the Right to Food, and International Human Rights Law: Challenges and Remedies in Fiji, Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu,” at Port Vila, Vanuatu, on July 27; and in Indianapolis on May 14 and 21. In addition, he lectured on the topic, "Studying Law in the U.S.A.? A Guide to U.S. Master of Laws (LL.M.) & Other U.S. Law Degree Programs for Students from the South Pacific" on June 27 at the University of the Pacific Faculty of Law – Port Vila, Vanuatu Campus. On October 3, Professor Edwards spoke on “Studying Law in the U.S.A.? A Guide to U.S. Master of Laws (LL.M.) Programs and Other U.S. Law Degree Programs for Students from New Zealand,” at the United States Consulate, Auckland, New Zealand (with Mr. Katie Sleeman – Senior Education Advisor, EducationUSA; and Mr. Sean Palmer).

Professor Edwards serves on the Roster of Victims’ Counsel Teams before the International Criminal Court (ICC), The Hague, The Netherlands, and is an International Law Consultant to the Pacific Island Food Revolution (PIFR), 2019 – 2020.
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Frank Emmert, the John S. Grimes Professor and Director of the Center for International and Comparative Law taught International Investment Law, International Commercial Arbitration, and the Seminar for the Willem C. Vis Moot Court Competition in International Commercial Arbitration during the Spring of 2019. In the summer term, he taught for the first time a new course on European Union Law, a merger of the previous courses European Union Law - Foundations and European Union Law - Doing Business in and with the Internal Market.

For the 6th year in a row, Professor Emmert served on the faculty of the Legislative Drafting Institute at Tulane University, a summer program for legislators and legislative assistants from around the world. During the Fall semester, he taught International Business Transactions on Fridays and WTO Law on Saturdays at McKinney. He also taught the course International Business Transactions at the IU Maurer School of Law on Mondays over the Fall semester. During the Spring, 2019, Professor Emmert traveled to Bangkok, Thailand, for the doctoral defense of Kitsuron Sangsuvan, S.J.D. ’19, who wrote his dissertation about the ASEAN Economic Community. The defense was hosted by the University of the Thai Chamber of Commerce (UTCC), where Professor Apinya Bundit-wuthisagul, S.J.D. ’15, has become a valuable faculty connection.

While at UTCC, Professor Emmert gave a lecture on international arbitration, and promoted post-graduate studies at McKinney to higher level students. Also in the Spring semester, Professor Emmert saw Rawan Alakeel, S.J.D. ’19, another of his doctoral students, complete the S.J.D. degree with her defense of a dissertation on sexual harassment in Saudi Arabia. Professor Emmert also served as a judge in the regional finals of the European Union Law Moot Court competition at Universidad CEU San Pablo and taught a part of the course Foundations of Rule of Law and Democracy in the Master of Global Affairs Program hosted by Universidad Rey Juan Carlos in Madrid, Spain. After moving his home and family to the West side of Indianapolis over the summer, Professor Emmert visited Munich, Germany, in September in an arbitration related matter. Additionally, Professor Emmert served on the executive committee of the North America branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators from Summer 2018 to Summer 2019.

Professor Emmert submitted a co-authored article “Why Can’t We Be Friends? Protecting Investors While Also Protecting Legitimate Public Interests and the Sustainable Development of Host Countries in Investor-State Arbitration.” It was accepted by the Texas Journal of Business Law for publication in Fall 2019. He also submitted a chapter on “Global Failure of Justice Systems” to the 25th anniversary volume in preparation by the Tulane Legislative Drafting Institute, and his Text Cases and Materials on International Business Transactions will be published by Carolina Academic Press.

Nicholas Georgakopoulos was invited to the Law and Economics Seminar of the Bucerius Law School in Hamburg, Germany, to present updates of his work on justified redistributive rules. His talk was titled, “Exploring the Shavellian Boundary.” In October he presented his work with Frank Sullivan in a discussion titled, “Six Dimensions of Criminal Procedure,” at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Law and Economics Association.

John Hill completed work on his book, The Prophet of Modern Constitutional Liberalism: John Stuart Mill and the Supreme Court, which will be published by Cambridge University Press in Spring 2020. He was also one of 10 constitutional law scholars invited to participate in a conference on the English Common Law Origins of the American Constitution sponsored by the Federalist Society October 24-26 in Charlotte, North Carolina. The conference explored English constitutional history from the Magna Carta through the time of the American colonial experience.

Max Huffman was an invited attendee at the United Nations, Conference on Trade and Development International Group of Experts.
on Consumer Law and Competition Law at the UN Headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Huffman published his article “Competition Law Limits on Ride Sharing Enterprises—Taking into Account the Experience in India” in the INDIAN JOURNAL OF LAW AND TECHNOLOGY, National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, India; and his article “Competition Policy Implications of Sharing Economy Enterprises” in Concurrences, a leading online publisher of antitrust scholarship. He taught Comparative Competition Law in the Masters-2 program in Law and Economics at the Toulouse School of Economics and lectured on “Antitrust in Ride Sharing” and “Antitrust and Bankruptcy Asset Sales” in the University of Toulouse 1 Capitole, Ecole de Droit, Centre de Droit d’Affairs.

Gerard Magliocca wrote the chapter titled “Yankee Ingenuity” in the book, Our American Story: The Search for a Shared National Narrative (Potomac Books, 2019). In addition, he was interviewed for an episode titled “Incorporation, the Lack Thereof” for the podcast, Bound By Oath in August 2019.

Janet McCabe made presentations at the 2019 Indiana MS4 Conference, the Michigan City Environmental Conference, the School Transportation Association of Indiana, and the Indiana Water Resources Association. She also presented at the National Association of Clean Air Agencies, the Hoosier Interfaith Power and Light annual dinner, the Indiana Chamber of Commerce Environmental Conference, the American Planners Association Indiana Annual Conference, and a Clean Energy Roundtable with Congresswoman Susan Brooks. She appeared at the Earth Charter Indiana Mayors Climate Summit and the Accelerate Indiana Municipalities Annual Conference as well.

Additionally, Professor McCabe was appointed to the Indiana State Department of Health Lead Advisory Council.


Professor McCabe’s OpEd, “Algae Blooms are Harmful, But this is Just the Beginning,” appeared in the Times of Northwest Indiana on August 10, 2019. It can be found at https://www.nwitimes.com/opinion/columnists/guest-commentary/guest-commentary-algae-blooms-are-harmful-but-this-is-just/article_e7780de8-149d-5080-812a-260d994e7d30.html:


Seema Mohapatra was a speaker on the topic, “Centering Marginalized Groups in Interdisciplinary Bioethics Courses: Strategies and Resources for Teachers,” at the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities Annual Conference in Pittsburgh on October 26. She was an invited speaker and discussed “The Default Male: Implications for Health Care Delivery, Coverage, and Innovation,” at Saint Louis University’s Center for Health Law Studies as part of the Distinguished Speaker Series. The lecture took place in St. Louis on October 28. She was an invited speaker on the topic, “What is Health Care for All?” at the Hall Center for Law and Health INDIANA HEALTH LAW REVIEW Symposium. The event, titled Getting Real About Health Care for All, took place on October 18. During the symposium, she also served as an invited moderator for a panel that discussed “How Can We Make Health Care for All Inclusive?” She was an invited speaker and presented “Regulating Human Germline Editing” at the Nova Southeastern Broad Center Annual Symposium titled First Do No Harm: A Patient-Driven Approach to Navigating the Health Law, Intellectual Property, and Technology Maze in Fort Lauderdale on October 11. Professor Mohapatra again was an invited speaker and presented “Anonymous No More: Sperm Donation and the False Promise of Privacy” at a Drexel University School of Law Faculty Workshop in Philadelphia on September 12. During the
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Southeastern Association of Law Schools Annual Meeting in Boca Raton, she was a discussant and moderator for the Reproductive Justice Teaching and Scholarship Discussion Group on August 2; she moderated a discussion of the Diseases of Despair and Health Policy Discussion Group on August 1; she was a discussant during the Mapping Academic Opportunities Workshop, and was an invited speaker for the Aspiring Law Teachers Workshop, and a discussant for the Crafting your Scholarship Goals Workshop on July 29.


She discussed her paper, “Time to Abolish the Façade of ‘Anonymous’ Gamete Donation in the Age of Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Testing,” during the Baby Markets Roundtable at American University Washington College of Law in Washington, D.C., in June, during a Work-in-Progress Session at Howard University Law School during the Family Law Scholars and Teachers Conference, in Washington, D.C., and during the Consuming Genetics: The Ethical and Legal Considerations of Consumer Genetic Technologies Conference at Petrie-Flom Center for Health Law Policy, Biotechnology, and Bio-

Hagan, White, Klein Honored

Two IU McKinney professors and Dean Andrew Klein were celebrated by the Indianapolis Bar Association and Indianapolis Bar Foundation at the groups’ annual Recognition Breakfast on November 19, 2019 at Meridian Hills Country Club in Indianapolis.

Professor Emeritus James P. White received the Dr. John Morton-Finney Jr. Award for Excellence in Legal Education, and Professor Carrie Hagan was honored with the IndyBar Pro Bono Award.

Professor Emeritus James P. White has devoted over 50 years to educating tomorrow’s lawyers at the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. He joined the faculty in 1966, and became Professor Emeritus in 2002. He served as Consultant on Legal Education to the American Bar Association for 26 years and was instrumental in bringing that office to the IUPUI campus for the duration of his tenure at the ABA. His work included a complete restructuring of the law school accreditation system. Because the accreditation process and the work of the ABA’s Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar is driven by volunteers, one of his most important roles was the recruiting, training, and nurturing of hundreds of volunteers. Under his leadership, the ABA strengthened its quality and diversity standards for accreditation.

The award is named for alumnus John Morton-Finney, ‘44, who was a civil rights activist, lawyer, and educator who earned 11 academic degrees. He taught in Indianapolis Public Schools for 47 years, and practiced law for 53 years.

Professor Hagan is a Clinical Professor of Law at IU McKinney, where she is the Director of the Civil Practice Clinic. She began offering traveling pop-up expungement clinics with her students in 2018, and the effort to date has resulted in students helping dozens of people. Students meet and screen clients to determine their eligibility, then work with the client throughout the process to get the records expunged. As part of a partnership between IU McKinney and Ivy Tech Community College, Professor Hagan and her students offered a pop-up expungement clinic on the Ivy Tech campus in Indianapolis in April 2019. Professor Hagan also is one of the volunteer organizers, along with Professor Lahny Silva, of the Re-Entry Fair, which has been staged by IU McKinney students, faculty, staff, and alumni every spring since 2016. Over the years, Professor Hagan and her students have assisted hundreds of people with determining their eligibility for expungement.

IU McKinney Dean Andy Klein received the President’s Award for Service to the Profession. The bar association noted his accomplishments as follows:

“Back in 2013, applications to law schools plummeted and firms were hiring fewer graduates. When some might have turned their heads on this challenging situation, Andy Klein charged with full force and became dean of the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law. Dean Klein is widely regarded for making positive change at this school and navigating it through a very tough time in legal education. “As Dean Klein’s tenure comes to a close with his plans to step down in June of next year, we’re proud to recognize him as the recipient of the President’s Award for Service to the Profession.”
ethics at Harvard Law School in Cambridge in May. She was an invited expert at the Center for Reproductive Rights Convening on Compensated Gestational Surrogacy in New York City on May 2.


Professor Mohapatra received a Curriculum Enhancement Grant, was named a Dean’s Fellow, and also received a Summer Research Grant. She serves as Chair of the Colloquia Committee, and is again a member of the Admissions Committee.


Professor Nguyen also has published the following scholarly works: “Attacking Innovation,” 99 BOSTON UNIVERSITY LAW REVIEW 1687 (with Jeffrey Maine); “For Canadian Love of Trader Joe’s: First Sale Doctrine, Reputational Harm, and Lanham Act’s Extraterritoriality,” 25 BOSTON UNIVERSITY JOURNAL OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY 570 (2019); and “Lessons from Case Study of Secured Transactions with Bitcoin,” 21 SMU SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY LAW REVIEW 181 (2018)(Symposium issue, Summer 2019), which was solicited for a symposium issue on lending against bitcoins.

Professor Nguyen has made several presentations of late. These include the following: “Copyrights and Technological Progress: Opportunities and Challenges for Vietnam?” at National Economics University Faculty of Law, in Hanoi, Vietnam, on October 7; “Legal Education, Curriculum, Practice & U.S. Law Schools” at Thai Nguyen University on July 19, 2019; at the Forum on Law and Policy at the Institute of Policy, Law and Management, in Hanoi, Vietnam on July 17; as an invited expert commentator at Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City’s Symposium on The Transport Infrastructure in the South of Vietnam: Development Problems and Solutions on June 29; at the VNU UEL Scientific Council Annual Meeting on June 27; “University & Teaching Pedagogy” and “A Closer Look at University Structure & Management” at Saigon International University on June 24. In September, Professor Nguyen presented on “IP Finance: Enhancing the IP Assets,” at the Seattle Clinical Program on Latest Trends in IP, Brand Alliance and Strategies with counsels from Amazon, Starbucks, and Pokemon.

Fran Quigley published articles on access to medicines and healthcare in publications including the HARVARD HEALTH AND HUMAN RIGHTS JOURNAL, Foreign Policy, Sojourners, the Hill, and National Catholic Reporter. He delivered speeches on the same topics at venues including the University of Notre Dame Law School, the Indiana Civil Rights Commission Annual Conference, and the meeting of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development. He continues to edit and publish the Faith in Healthcare newsletter and direct the nonprofit organization of the same name, and to serve on the board of directors for TIInternational USA and as health committee chair for Concerned Clergy of Indianapolis.

In the Fall semester of 2019, Florence Wagman Roisman chaired the Search Committee for the Lawrence A. Jegen III Chair in Tax Law. She also spoke about residential racial segregation to the Central Indiana Community Foundation’s Professional Advisors Leadership Council. She continues to serve on the selection committee for Chancellor’s Professors and the Board of the Inclusive Communities Project of Dallas, Texas, a leader in residential integration initiatives.

Frank Sullivan, Jr. was named an honorary alumnus of IU McKinney on September 17. Paul Kruse, ’81, President of the law school’s Alumni Association board, made the presentation. The ceremony occurred during events celebrating the law school’s 125th anniversary and observing Constitution Day. Those events also included Sullivan delivering a special lecture, “Ex parte Milligan: Indiana’s Most Famous Supreme Court Case,” discussing the historical, contemporary, and jurisprudential significance of the 1866 U.S. Supreme Court decision that vacated the conviction for treason and death sentence of a Southern sympathizer from Indiana.

Sullivan was honored on September 3 with a Faculty Leadership Award for the 2018-2019 academic year by the law school faculty’s executive committee. Students selected him to serve at commencement on May 9 as a hooding professor for graduating J.D. and LL.M. students.

Professor Sullivan is President of the Indianapolis Civilian Police Merit Board, responsible for policies and procedures regarding the recruitment, training, promotion, and discipline of the sworn officers of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD). In this capacity, he presided over meetings of the Board on May 9, June 4, July 2, August 6, September 3, and October 1, and over a
Indianapolis Mayor Joe Hogsett and leaders of the Indiana judiciary, the American and local bar associations, and IU McKinney surprised Professor and former Indiana Supreme Court Justice Frank Sullivan, Jr., on December 11, 2018, recognizing his work promoting diversity and inclusion in the legal profession.

Also in attendance were many of Professor Sullivan’s law clerks, former students, and friends.

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The Indianapolis Bar Association (IBA), Indiana State Bar Association (ISBA), and Marion County Bar Association (MCBA) co-sponsored the festivities. The IBA covered the event live on its Facebook page.

In addition to Mayor Hogsett’s Proclamation, Maryland Circuit Court Judge Toni E. Clarke, the Chair of the Judicial Division of the American Bar Association (ABA), announced that the ABA Judicial Clerkship Program Research Exercise, an ABA diversity initiative, has been named the “Honorable Frank Sullivan Research Exercise” by the ABA Board of Governors.

Other speakers in addition to Mayor Hogsett and Judge Clarke included Indiana Chief Justice Loretta H. Rush, who succeeded Professor Sullivan on the Court after he resigned in 2012 to join the IU McKinney faculty; Judge Welch, who is the current chair of the ABA Judicial Clerkship Program; and Indiana Court of Appeals Judge Margret G. Robb, ’78, who, like Professor Sullivan, is a former chair of the ABA’s Appellate Judges Conference.

“He doesn’t just talk about diversity,” Judge Welch said of Professor Sullivan. “He does things to promote it. He goes very under the radar, and doesn’t want any credit for it. He’s just so down-to-earth, like your next-door neighbor. He doesn’t hesitate to help.”

Writing these research exercises is no small undertaking. Professor Sullivan writes four each year for the Judicial Clerkship Program committee to consider. After their favorite is selected, he provides even more detail on the case the students will research and write about, and discuss with judges at the Program.

“He puts in an enormous amount of time,” said Judge Robb of Professor Sullivan’s work on the Research Exercise. “People thought it would be fitting to name the exercise after him, given his involvement, and his deep and longstanding commitment to diversity.”

Professor Sullivan has been a leader of the ABA Judicial Clerkship Program since its inception in 2001. The program encourages minority law students from throughout the country to seek judicial clerkships upon completing their legal education. For 18 years, he has designed the program’s elaborate “Research Exercise” which is now named for him.
Professor Margaret Tarkington was working as a lawyer in Indianapolis when the matter, In Re: Michael A. Wilkins, was decided.

The short story: Wilkins, an Indiana attorney, criticized a judge, and faced a 30-day suspension from the practice of law as discipline. Wilkins asked for a rehearing, and a divided Indiana Supreme Court voted to issue a public reprimand instead. This case would prove to be the beginning of Professor Tarkington's research into her book, Voice of Justice: Reclaiming the Public Interest Rights of Lawyers, the first to address the First Amendment rights of lawyers.

Fun fact: Professor Frank Sullivan, Jr., was a Justice on the Indiana Supreme Court during the Wilkins case. He dissented, believing Wilkins' speech was protected by the First Amendment, and therefore no sanction of any kind should apply.

Professor Tarkington later moved to Salt Lake City, Utah. While working there, another attorney was sanctioned over a speech issue.

“I began wondering, do I just live in jurisdictions that do this kind of thing?” Professor Tarkington said.

That led her to begin researching instances where attorneys were punished for their speech. What she found was that incidents of lawyers being disciplined because of the things they said was not merely taking place in Indiana and Utah. It was happening everywhere.

Professor Tarkington turned to academia, teaching at J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University and at the University of Cincinnati College of Law before joining the faculty at IU McKinney.

Professor Tarkington’s Book First to Address Lawyers’ First Amendment Rights

She began writing about attorney First Amendment rights, including The Truth Be Damned: First Amendment, Attorney Speech, and Judicial Reputation, which was published in Georgetown Law Journal, and A First Amendment Theory for Protecting Attorney Speech in UC Davis Law Review, among others.

After creating a semester of reading handouts for a constitutional law seminar on the First Amendment rights of lawyers, and receiving a query from a colleague at another law school as to whether she knew of a comprehensive resource regarding lawyer First Amendment rights, Professor Tarkington decided to begin writing her own.

“...and that the First Amendment protects the role of the lawyer in the justice system,” she said. "Lawyers must have free speech rights, petition rights, and association rights. Yet what I found was that these rights were being left to the good graces of the regulators. Lawyers are the voice of justice, and justice can only be achieved through their voices."

Professor Tarkington’s book was published by Cambridge University Press in September 2018. She presented a Faculty Book Talk about the work at IU McKinney on November 29.

Professor Tarkington serves as the Association for American Law School’s Professional Responsibility Section Chair, and has served as an expert consultant on disciplinary proceedings brought against attorneys for their speech, association, and petitioning. She teaches courses in Professional Responsibility, Civil Procedure, and Federal Courts at IU McKinney.

Professor Sullivan is co-chair of the law school faculty’s diversity and inclusion committee and is the faculty adviser to the law school’s Hispanic Law Society. He is an appointee of the Governor to the Indiana State Employees’ Appeals Commission and also serves on the Board of Directors of Christamore House, a neighborhood service center in the Haughville neighborhood adjacent to IUPUI.
Faculty News

Lloyd T. Wilson, Jr. taught a course on Anglo-American legal systems in the Transnational Law Program at the University of Geneva Faculty of Law in Geneva Switzerland from May 1 through May 10, 2019. He then directed the Chinese Law Summer Program at Renmin University of China Law School in Beijing, China from May 15 to June 15. The CLSP is a four-week intensive study of Chinese domestic law. Students in the 2019 CLSP came from IU McKinney and seven other U.S. law schools in states ranging from Massachusetts to Arizona plus one law school in Norway. The 2019 CLSP was the 33rd year for the program. While he was in China, he made a presentation at the East Asia & U.S. Legal Education Forum held in Beijing, and sponsored jointly by the China University of Political Science & Law, Waseda University Institute of Legal Education, and the Tri lateral Cooperation Studies Center on Law at Renmin University of China Law School. The title of the presentation, which took place on May 26, was “Issues and Reforms in Legal Education and the Bar Examination in the U.S.” He also was a co-organizer and speaker at the 10th annual International Forum for Law Students, held on June 2, in Beijing. The Forum was created to provide an opportunity for law students to conduct independent research and make a presentation in a conference setting. The 2019 Forum featured 17 student speakers from 13 countries on four continents, including one student from IU McKinney. The theme of the Forum was “The Challenge to Law brought by the Digital World.”

Professor Wilson travelled to Osaka, Japan, from August 12 to 15, to conduct research with Professor Ding Xiangshun, LL.M. ’06, S.J.D. ’19, from Renmin University of China Law School. Professors Wilson’s and Ding’s research, was funded by a grant from the Indiana University—Renmin University Strategic Seed Fund program. The title of their collaborative research project is “Participatory Justice: Lay Participation in Judicial Proceedings in China, Japan, and South Korea.”

Professor Wilson directed the annual Program in American Law for faculty and students from Faculdades Integradas Espíritu Santenses Centro University (FAESA) in Vitoria, Brazil from August 31 to September 7. The program consists of in-class instruction, law-related field trips, and cultural excursions. The 2019 program was the eleventh year a group for FAESA has come to IU McKinney. He made a presentation on September 26 to the members of the Indianapolis Law Club entitled “Observations about the Legal System of China.” In addition, he made a presentation at a conference held at the Autonomous University of Barcelona on October 22. The title of the presentation was “Challenges Involved in Training New Lawyers for a Global Society.”

Fran Watson made several presentations, including “Righting Wrongful Convictions With Forensic Science” at the Indiana State Bar Association Solo and Small Firm Conference on June 7 in French Lick; and a presentation and webcast titled “Indiana Interpretations of Rules of Evidence Governing Expert Testimony” to Administrative Law Judges on August 21 in Indianapolis. She also took part in the Innocence Network Midwest Regional Summit on October 17 in Chicago.


Professor Terry also delivered several presentations of late, including “Healthcare Insurance Regulation in the States, 2019” at the Indiana Department of Insurance on September 24; “10 Years of Public Health Law Research: Looking Back and Looking Ahead” at Temple University Center for Public Health Research in Philadelphia on September 13; as an invited participant at a roundtable on “Balancing Privacy with Health Data Access” at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in Washington, D.C., on July 15; a keynote address at the Healthcare Disparities, Disruptive Healthcare Technologies and the Patient Conference at the University of Manchester School of Law in Manchester, U.K. June, 13-15; and at the event, “Hybrid Healthcare, Machine M.D.: Conference on the Law, Policy and Ethics of AI and Big Data in Healthcare” at the University of Ottawa School of Law May 31-June 1.

Professor Terry continues his work as a Principal Investigator for the IU Grand Challenges Grant on Opioids Law & Policy. He also serves as a member of the Scientific Leadership Team of the IU/State of Indiana Addictions Grand Challenge, as a member of the Indiana Addictions Data Commons Governance Advisory Team; and as a member of the Chief Justice’s Planning Committee for the Indiana Justice Professionals Conference on Medication-Assisted Treatment.

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There are several individuals who have joined the IU McKinney administration within the past year. In the Office of Professional Development (OPD), the school welcomed Jana Matthews, ’00, as a Senior Associate Director for Professional Development. Throughout her legal career she has honed her skills in the public sector, non-profit world and in private practice. Her law career began as a Staff Attorney with the Indiana Supreme Court and Program Coordinator of the Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity (Indiana CLEO) program. Her other non-profit work includes the Stacey Toran Foundation and D.R.E.A.M. Alive, Inc. Matthews also has worked as a sole practitioner at J. Matthews Legal Group. Outside of her practice she has served as facilitator/instructor with Indiana Wesleyan University and has also maintained a consulting business.

The OPD also welcomed Whittley Pike, ’14, as a Senior Associate Director for Professional Development. Before joining the team at the Office of Professional Development, Pike was a partner in a small law firm focusing on elder law, estate planning, and trust administration. served as Co-Chair of the Proactive Elder Law team of the National Network of Estate Planning Attorneys (NNEPA), presenting that team’s findings regarding diminishing capacity as well as proactive trust planning through a series of NNEPA conference workshops. She also served as NNEPA Career Counsellor from 2017-2019. In that role, she coached new and transitioning attorneys on their next steps toward pursuing a law practice that more adequately met their personal and professional goals.

Brittany Kelly, ’16, has joined the Hall Center for Law and Health as Associate Director. Kelly also earned a Masters in Social Work as part of the joint degree program. Before beginning as the Associate Director of the Hall Center for Law and Health, Brittany served as a practicing attorney in the Marion County Public Defender Agency. In this role, she worked primarily in Marion County’s Problem Solving Courts, which are aimed at removing barriers and reducing recidivism among clients experiencing mental illness and/or addiction within the criminal justice system. Kelly has also served as an intern at Indiana Legal Services, Inc. and a Research Assistant at the IU Public Policy Institute.

A new face in the Office of Development is Kait McBrady, who joined the staff as Development Officer. McBrady serves as a frontline gift officer for the law school, meeting with alumni, donors, and friends to identify passions and philanthropic opportunities. McBrady holds a B.A. in French and sociology from the University of Minnesota Morris and an M.A. in Leadership in Higher Education from the University of St. Thomas. She has worked in a variety of roles in higher education, including in student affairs and advancement.
Class Notes

1970
Stephen A. Stitle has joined the law firm of SmithAdmundsen as Chief Operating Officer.

1975
Thomas Q. Henry, of Woodard, Emhardt, Henry, Reeves & Wagner, LLP has been named to the 2020 edition of Indiana Super Lawyers.

1976
James W. Brauer, partner with Katz Korin Cunningham, has been honored by the Indianapolis Bar Foundation as a Distinguished Fellow.

M. Anne Wilcox is a partner at Wilcox & Ogden, P.C. in Denver, Colorado. Wilcox was president of the Denver Tech Center Rotary Club when they won the Paul Harris Award for the best club in District 5450 and also won the George K. Davis Award for the Best International Water Project.

1977
Charles R. Reeves has been recognized as a named partner of the firm which is now known as Woodard, Emhardt, Henry, Reeves & Wagner, LLP.

Stephen E. Zlatos was elected to a three-year term on the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library Board of Trustees.

1978
Thomas P. Malone is retired. He is a certified Florida Master Naturalist and travels throughout North America studying birds and other wildlife. He is a six-year esophageal cancer survivor and lives each day in gratitude.

Ralph Ogden is a partner at Wilcox & Ogden, P.C. in Denver, Colorado. Ogden is also President of Technology Partnership NGO; board chair and managing director, International Peace Initiatives NGO, both with operations in Meru, Kenya.

1979
The Honorable Caryl E. Delano was appointed in 2019 as Chief Bankruptcy Judge by the U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida. She will serve a four-year term.

1980
Kim Oliphant Smith was re-appointed by Governor Holcomb for a second term to the Board of Trustees of Indiana State University.

1982
Brian K. Carroll, partner in the law firm of Johnson, Carroll, Norton & Kent P.C. in Evansville, was elected Chair of the Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary Commission for a one year term.

Timothy J. Vrana was named to the 2019 edition of Indiana Super Lawyers. He also served on the Indiana State Bar Associa-
tions Board of Governors from 2016 to 2018.

1983

Anne Slaughter Andrew, former U.S. Ambassador to Costa Rica, was appointed in 2019 to the Board of Directors of Sunnova Energy International, a residential solar and energy storage service provider.

1985

Mitzi Harris Martin, retired from Faegre Baker Daniels, has returned to Sweet Home Alabama where she and husband, Jeff Atwood, live in Huntsville (Brownsboro) and winter in Venice, Florida.

1987

Lynnette Gray has been named to the Mutual Savings Bank board of directors.

Melony Sacopulos is now Vice President for Finance and Business at Monmouth College. She previously served as General Counsel and Secretary at Indiana State University, where she was also an assistant professor of accounting.

1988

John R. Maley received the 2019 Person of the Year award by Notre Dame Club of Indianapolis.

1989

Tammy J. Meyer has been certified as a member of the Lawyers of Distinction.

1990

Leslie Craig Henderzahs, owner/partner at Church Church Hittle + Antrim, was named in 2019 to the Indianapolis Business Journal’s “Women of Influence” List.

The Honorable Andrea K. McCord was appointed to serve a 14-year term as United States Bankruptcy Judge for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana.

Marya M. Rose has joined the board of directors at Duke Energy.

1992

Lawrence R. Kemm has joined Holland & Knight LLP as partner. He specializes in international tax.

Lori A. Spence opened her consulting firm, LA Spence Legal, LLC in 2019, assisting businesses with compliance, regulatory, and legal matters after working in the electric utility industry for over 30 years.

1993

Adam Arceneaux has been named to the board of the Center for the Performing Arts in Carmel.

Matthew W. Conner has joined Lewis Wagner, LLP as a partner in the firm’s Professional Liability Group.

J. Christopher Cooke, Sanctuary Wealth Partners Founder and Partner of the Cooke Financial Group, both in Indianapolis, and Chris’ partner Brian Cooke were named number 1 and 2 on the Forbes Best-In-State Wealth Advisors List for the state of Indiana in 2019.

1994

Lisa Swaim has been named a Judge in Cass County and will preside in Superior Court II. She has worked in the Cass Country Prosecutor’s Office for 19 years and began serving as prosecutor in 2015.

1995

Keira A. Amsutz has been appointed director of the Indiana Philanthropy Alliance Foundation Board.

Dina M. Cox, of Lewis Wagner, LLP, has been nominated to the Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel.

Christine Rew Barden, of Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren s.c., has been named to the list of The Best Lawyers in America 2020 in trust and estates.

1996

Marilee J. Springer began a four-year term as chair of Ice Miller’s strategic planning committee on January 1, 2019.

1997

Jamie M. Groves has been hired as a deputy prosecutor at the Cass County Prosecutor’s Office.

The Honorable Jose D. Salinas, Marion Superior Court, was appointed in 2019 for a four-year term to the Indianapolis Public Library Board.
Craig Lebamoff, ’89, Received Medals for NATO Mission

Craig Lebamoff, ’89, was awarded the NATO Medal and the SW Asia Defense Medal for his service with the NATO mission to Afghanistan in 2019. He was embedded with U.S. troops and directed the creation of a 9-1-1 emergency response system for Afghanistan and the creation of a legal affairs division at the Afghan Interior Ministry. In the photo, Lebamoff is with some of his colleagues in Afghanistan.

Lebamoff retired from federal service and now lives in New Zealand with his family. He was stationed there before he was a Fulbright Fellow in 2012. There he counsels Americans who wish to obtain a second passport by investing in New Zealand. He also consults on border security and cooperation in transnational crime issues. He continues to help the Afghans fine-tune their 9-1-1 system and improve their ability to cooperate regionally and internationally on transnational crimes issues, and has been working with the countries of Madagascar, Mozambique, Lesotho, South Africa, Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe on “fusion centers” to fight smuggling in animal parts and live animals, or anti-poaching.

Lebamoff previously served as special counsel to International Security Assistance Force Commander General John Allen, USMC. He also served as special counsel/advisor to NATO Training Mission Afghanistan Commander LTG Kenneth Tovo, USA, and Afghan Interior Minister Mujtaba Patang in Afghanistan.

Lebamoff received the Department of Homeland Security’s Director’s Heritage Award for 2011 for his work in assisting Iraqi refugees in the Middle East.

1998
John T.L. Koenig has been elected managing partner of Barnes & Thornburg LLP’s Atlanta, Georgia, office.

1999
Holly J. Wanzer is currently serving as a board member of the Indianapolis Bar Association.

2000
Craig M. Borowski has been appointed as office managing shareholder of the Indianapolis office of Littler Mendelson, P.C.
Michele L. Jackson opened an Organ Care Village in Democratic Republic of Congo called Bolingo Village.
Kendall A. Schnurpel has been named Of Counsel in the Krieg DeVault LLP business, acquisitions & securities and public finance & municipal law practice groups.
Jonathan D. Weinzapfel left his position of Chancellor of Ivy Tech Community College Evansville Campus in November 2019. The former Evansville mayor is now a partner in the law firm of Jones Wallace LLC.

2001
David A. Adams is now a partner at Krieg Devault.
Andrew J. Mallon has been named the Executive Director of the Indianapolis Capital Improvement Board.

2002
Elisabeth M. Edwards is currently serving as a board member of the Indianapolis Bar Foundation.
Timothy R. Hurlbut joined Katz Korin Cunningham as a shareholder and transaction lawyer who focuses on commercial finance, commercial real estate and business transactions.
Kristen Gentry Klos has joined the Indianapolis office of Taft Stettinius & Holister LLP as a partner in its health and life sciences practice.
Anna E. Mallon has joined Paganelli Law Group.

2003
Douglas G. Gallagher has joined the Indianapolis Office of Frost Brown Todd.
Eric M. Hoffman is serving as Prosecuting Attorney for Delaware County.
Shannon M. Shaw has been appointed as Chief Legal Officer for ANGI Homeservices.
Kimberly A. Spindler has been hired by the Indiana Department of Child Services as assistant general counsel.

2004
Marie Castetter has been appointed to the bench in Hancock Superior Court. She was previously Hancock County’s Chief Deputy Prosecutor.
Two from IU McKinney Take Part in Task Force Spartan Exchange with Jordanian Military Judges

Captain Kevin Sitler, ’10, of Indianapolis, and Captain Alex Whitted, ’12, of Columbus, were part of a legal exchange with military judges from Jordan as part of Task Force Spartan. The meeting took place in September 2019.

The focus was on sharing best practices between the two legal corps. The presentations were designed to foster a deeper understanding of how each country approaches complex legal issues. Task Force Spartan maintains a U.S. military posture in southwest Asia sufficient to strengthen defense relationships, build partnerships, and deter regional aggression.

More than 600 soldiers of the Indiana National Guard’s 38th Infantry Division serve in the Middle East supporting the task force and providing leadership, command, control, and in-depth staff analysis for Operation Spartan Shield.

Tony Hahn was named Vice President of Government Relations at Vincennes University in 2019. Previously he was Director of State Relations and Policy Analysis at Purdue University.

Hannah Koufman Joseph has recently partnered with Kimberly Jeselskis and BJ Brinkerhoff to form the new Indiana law firm, Jeselskis Brinkerhoff and Joseph (JBJ Legal).

Eric E. Lamb has joined the Indianapolis Office of Frost Brown Todd.

2005

Mary King added the duties of Chief Diversity Officer to her role as Vice President, Human Resources at Pacific Gas and Electric Company in San Francisco, CA. She has been at the company for over 10 years.

2006

Brian M. Heaton, partner at Krieg DeVault, LLC, has been named to the Westfield Library Foundation board of directors.

Ryan W. Mears was elected by a caucus of the Democratic Party of Marion County in October 2019 to serve as the Marion County Prosecuting Attorney for the remainder of fellow alumnus, Terry Curry’s term.

Lynn A. Toops has become an equity partner at Cohen & Malad, LLP.

2007

Brett T. Clayton has joined the Indianapolis office of Reminger Co., LPA.

Emily L. Conn, an attorney in the Indianapolis office of Littler, has been elevated to shareholder.

Brett R. Hummer serves as General Counsel for Jayco, Inc., a leading manufacturer of towable and motorized recreational vehicles, and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Elkhart-based THOR Industries, Inc.

Marc S. Kaliser was elected partner in the Corporate Transactions section of Munck Wilson Mandala, LLP. Kaliser’s practice includes securities, mergers and acquisitions, finance, and real estate transactions.

Brendan W. Miller has been appointed legal operations advisor for practice innovation at Barnes & Thornburg LLP.

2008

Elizabeth Ferguson Herrera, of the Edinburg, Texas, office of Colvin, Saenz, Rodriguez & Kennamer, has been Board Certified in Personal Injury Trial Law by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization.

2009

Judge Mahmoud Fawzy, LL.M. ’09, has been appointed Secretary General of the Parliament in Egypt. Judge Fawzy served for many years on the Council of State, the equivalent of the U.S. Federal Courts of Appeals. Most recently, he was legal advisor to the Parliament.

Laura Knight Musick joined the Virginia Business and Energy Law Firm, GreeneHurlocker, PLC.

Christopher D. Simpkins has joined the Paganelli Law Group.
**2010**

Andrew J. Albright has been promoted to partner at Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP. He focuses on Product Liability, General Trial Practice and Medical Negligence and Healthcare.

Nicholas P. Mollmann is now a member of Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP’s Real Estate practice group in the Indianapolis office.

J. Eric Rochford has been named partner at Cohen & Malad, LLP.

Milton A. Turner was promoted to the rank of Major in the U.S. Army, during the summer of 2019. He serves as a member of the Judge Advocate General Corps. He credits many of his law school experiences with helping him achieve success in his work in the JAG Corps.

**2011**

Roxana S. Bell has joined the faculty of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law as an Assistant Professor of Law, teaching civil procedure, employment law, and legal reasoning and analysis.

Jenai S. Brackett has been promoted from Business Litigation Managing Associate to Member at Frost Brown Todd.

Ashley N. Hadler has been named partner at Cohen & Malad, LLP.

Andrew Lehmann was named General Counsel of MGH Hotels in 2019. He began his career at Schuckitt & Associates.

**2012**

Andrew W. Breck has joined Krieg DeVault’s health care practice group as an associate.

Alfred Degrafinreid, ’12, has been named Associate Vice Chancellor for Community Relations with the Division of Government and Community Relations at Vanderbilt University. The Tennessee native was most recently the Chief Administrative Officer of the Davidson County Criminal Court Clerk.

Leah P. Dupree recently launched Dupree Consulting Group, a values-based consulting firm specializing in government relations, political consulting, and legal issues.

Ryan J. Heater was honored by Purdue University’s College of Liberal Arts with their 2019 Emerging Voice Award. Heater earned a bachelor’s degree in history in 2006. Heater is the executive director of external affairs for the Indiana Regulatory Commission, where he leads the commission’s legislative, media, and stakeholder management strategies and oversees the consumer affairs division. He previously served as policy and legislative director for Lt. Govs. Suzanne Crouch, Eric Holcomb and Sue Ellspermann. A former sergeant in the Indiana Army National Guard, Heater previously worked as a legislative assistant under four members of the Indiana House of Representatives.

Carlton Martin accepted a management position with the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty in Washington, D.C. He previously was a staff attorney for the Indiana Supreme Court, where he was the Indiana Conference on Legal Education Director and Coalition for Court Access to Justice staff attorney.

**Keyes, ’11, Named Executive Director of Indiana Protection and Advocacy Commission**

The Indiana Protection and Advocacy System (IPAS) Commission, the governing authority for Indiana Disability Rights (IDR), has named Melissa Keyes, ’11, as the executive director.

“The IDR team has worked hard to become a recognized leader in advocacy on behalf of people with disabilities and I am excited for the opportunity to keep moving Indiana Disability Rights forward,” Keyes said.

“We are thrilled and fortunate to have an individual of Melissa Keyes’ caliber and experience in the role of executive director for IDR. The Commission strongly believes in her ability to lead and fulfill the mission of the agency,” said Amber O’Haver, IPAS Commission Chair. “She understands the importance of being an authentic disability ally and why that is critical in creating systemic change and challenging the status quo about how we are perceived in our communities.”

Keyes received her law degree from the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law in Indianapolis. She was the Editor-in-Chief for the Indiana Health Law Review, Volume 8, and was selected as a 2010 Program on Law and State Government Fellow.

During law school, Keyes served as a research and policy consultant to the Autism Society of Indiana. Before becoming an attorney, Keyes worked at Riley Hospital for Children in the autism clinic as a research specialist at which time she earned her master’s degree in clinical psychology. Keyes has a particular interest in advocating for options to support decision-making in adulthood. She represented Jamie Beck in becoming the first person in Indiana to have a guardianship terminated in favor of supported decision-making and regularly speaks on the subject both locally and nationally. She has served as the Legal Director for IDR since 2014.

Indiana Disability Rights (IDR) is the designated Protection and Advocacy (P&A) System and Client Assistance Program (CAP) for the State of Indiana. The mission of Indiana Disability Rights is to protect and promote the rights of individuals with disabilities through empowerment and advocacy.
Class Notes

2013
Professor Mohamed ‘Arafa, S.J.D., gave a lecture for the International Law Society at IU McKinney on October 16, 2019 on “Human Rights under the Umbrella of Islamic Criminal Justice: Perplexing and beyond the Zero-Sum Game.” His discussion also encompassed the subject of the book he organized titled *The New Human Rights Agenda: Loud Voices from the Global Periphery*, published in 2019 by Cirkula in Porto Alegre, Brazil. He was also a guest speaker at two Cornell Law events in the Fall 2019.

Matthew A. Brown serves as director of the Office of Administrative Law Proceedings, a position created by a 2019 Indiana statute.

Matthew J. Clark joined the Indianapolis Office of Frost Brown Todd.

Julia Hudson Grimmer has joined the Indianapolis Office of Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP as an associate in the firm’s Health and Life Sciences practice.

Megan M. Pastrana has opened the firm, Indiana Divorce Lawyers, Pastrana LLC.

Pervin Taleyarkhan has been named the 2020 Outstanding Young Zarathusthi Professional by the World Zarathusthi Chamber of Commerce. She is Legal Counsel for Patents at Whirlpool Corporation in Benton Harbor, Michigan.

2014
Stephen O. Abanise recently joined the IRS Office of Chief Counsel as a Trial Attorney in the Laguna Niguel, California Office in Orange County.

James B. Banister has been elected to the Indiana Connected by 25 Board of Directors.

L. Alexander Hamner joined the United States Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of West Virginia as an assistant United States attorney.

Sara E. Marshall has been named as a 2019-2020 Fellow of the Mitch Daniels Leadership Foundation.

Doneisha Posey has been named Executive Director of Diversity, Equity and Belonging at Ivy Tech Community College.

2015
Fernanda Beraldi, LL.M., was named in 2019 to the “Top 10 30-Somethings” list by the Association of Corporate Counsel. She is Senior Director of Ethics and Compliance for Cummins, Inc.

Brett Lindsay Murphy created the “Very First” book series by Bit-tyrina dedicated to easing problematic anxiety in early childhood.

Aaron J. Williamson has joined the Indianapolis Office of Jackson Lewis as an associate.

2016
Melissa A. Hamer-Bailey, Esq., CHMM, Reg. Civil Mediator, has been elected to a four-year term to the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management’s (IHMM’s) national Board of Directors.

Sarah Hurdle Shields has joined the Office of the Indiana Attorney General in the Administrative and Regulatory Enforcement Litigation division.

Ryan J. Sterling has joined the Indianapolis Office of Reminger Co., LPA. Sterling is a member of the Indianapolis Bar Association, Indiana Bar Association, and American Bar Association.

2017
Ahmed Altawyan, S.J.D. saw his dissertation named one of the seven best new mediation books to read in 2020 by the BookAuthority. The book, *International Commercial Arbitration in Saudi Arabia*, was

Congratulations to Winners in Municipal Elections
Two from IU McKinney won their mayoral races during the 2019 municipal elections, which took place on November 5. Shane Evans, ’15, was re-elected mayor of Delphi, and Joshua Marsh, ’19, was elected mayor of Greensburg.

Evans was one of the youngest candidates ever to be elected to the mayor’s office in the state of Indiana when he ran as an independent in 2015. He was re-elected as an independent candidate.

Marsh continues the tradition of IU McKinney alumni running for office immediately after completing law school. He was elected to the Greensburg mayor’s office on the Republican ticket.

The McKinney Lawyer Alumni Magazine Wins Gold
The law school’s Office of External Affairs and Alumni Relations won a Gold award for the Spring 2019 issue of *The McKinney Lawyer* from Hermes Creative Awards.

It is the latest in a long list of awards that the External Affairs team has won for their work. *The McKinney Lawyer*, IU McKinney’s alumni magazine, routinely receives accolades for its editorial and design excellence.

Hermes Creative Awards is an international contest for corporate marketing and communication departments, advertising agencies, public relations firms, graphic designers, production companies, web and digital creators. The awards are administered and judged by the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals, an international organization made up of thousands of creative professionals.
published in 2018 and was edited by IU McKinney Professor Frank Emmert, who was also Altawyan’s dissertation supervisor.

Portia L. Bailey-Bernard has joined Kroger Gardis & Regas, LLP, in their Government Practice.

The Honorable Aline Fagundes, LL.M., has been appointed to coordinate the Centro Judiciário de Solução de Conflitos e Cidadania (CEJUSC) on the Court of Appeals in Brazil. She will serve a two-year term. Fagundes will coordinate the CEJUSC, which hold hearings and meetings to provide solutions for litigated conflicts that are under appeal. She is a federal judge at the Labor Court, a post she has held since 2005.

Kevin Oschman joined the Indianapolis Office of Frost Brown Todd.

2018

Christina L. (Moore) Thomas joined Stuart & Branigin LLP as an associate focusing her practice on medical malpractice, personal injury and business-related matters.

Ali Bartlett Miranda has joined Bose McKinney & Evans in the firm’s gaming group.

Kyle P. Chambers has joined Rothberg Logan & Warsco LLP as an associate.

Professor Liu Yi-Sheng, S.J.D. (LL.M. 2013) traveled in Summer 2019 to the University of Bergen Faculty of Law (Norway) to present on the topic “Artificial Intelligence and Law—Natural Language Processing Research for the Future: Online Legal Education.” He also took part in the European Association for International Education Conference in Helsinki, Finland. He is Assistant Professor of Law, Deputy Dean for International Affairs, and Director of Legal Analytics Laboratory at Providence University in Taichung City, Taiwan.

2019

Scott J. Collins has joined Woodard Emhardt Henry Reeves & Wagner, LLP as an associate.

Rebekah F. Mackey has joined Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP as an associate.

Kayla D. Moody-Grant has joined Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP as an associate.

Four McKinney Law Students Admitted to Highly Competitive JAG Corps

Four IU McKinney 2019 graduates entered the highly selective Judge Advocate General (JAG) Corps, the legal branch of the military. Those graduates are Jessica Ayer (U.S. Coast Guard), Haley Roach (U.S. Army), Eric Trudrung (U.S. Air Force) and Garrett Welch (U.S. Air Force).

“It is unusual to have that many,” said IU McKinney Adjunct Professor Anthony Green, ’04, who has taught courses in military law at the school since 2009. Several of the students cited Green, a decorated Air Force veteran, as an important influence during law school.

A graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, Green served as a pilot for 11 years before leaving active duty in 2000 to enter law school. He has 15 years of experience as a JAG lawyer, including the last five as State Judge Advocate with the Indiana Air Guard. In addition to teaching at IU McKinney, he is Chief Legal and Compliance Officer for the Indiana Public Retirement System (INPRS). He previously practiced law for Barnes and Thornburg, LLP. “I’ve met with lots of students to lay out the route for applying to the JAG Corps, but nothing is ever guaranteed;” Professor Green said. “It’s hard to point to any single factor among applicants, other than the determination to be more competitive, and the commitment to serve something bigger than themselves.”

Students mention other influences in their individual stories: Jessica Ayer grew up in Fairfax, Va., daughter of active-duty, career Coast Guardsman, with a long family tradition of serving in the military that stretches back to the American Revolutionary War.

“I decided when I was young that I would go to law school when I grew up,” Ayer said. “As lawyers, we take an oath to support the Constitution. I wanted to take that a step further and serve my country, too.”

Experiential learning was “really invaluable,” for Eric Trudrung in deciding to apply to the Air Force JAG Corps. He externed at the Marion County Prosecutor’s Office, the Indiana Office of the Attorney General, at the U.S. Customs and Border Protection while in school.

“There from what I understand of the process, the Air Force JAG Corps considers experience as one factor in selecting candidates,” Trudrung says. “IU McKinney really sets you up to learn as much as you can outside the law school building.”

As an undergraduate at the University of Dayton, Haley Roach became a commissioned officer after completing the Army Reserve Officer Training (ROTC) program, but she deferred her service to attend law school at IU McKinney. Joining ROTC was “the best decision I ever made, personally and professionally,” Roach said. “But even in high school, I knew that law school was where I ultimately wanted to be.”

Garrett Welch began looking into the JAG Corps during his 1L year, when the Office of Professional Development sent out an email about military law internships and careers.

The idea was intriguing to Welch because, growing up, his father worked as an FBI agent. “From an early age, I saw the pride he had in his job,” Welch said. “I learned the importance of service to my country. Serving in the JAG Corps is a dream job for me,” he added. “I’ve been on this track since my first year and am very excited about the opportunity.”
Student Activities

Federalist Society Hosts Panel Discussion on Judge’s Dilemma

Students who are members of the Federalist Society hosted a panel discussion on the topic “Judge’s Dilemma: Precedent or the Constitution?” on October 22. Speakers included Ilya Shapiro, Director of the Cato Institute’s Center for Constitutional Studies; Visiting Professor Randall T. Shepard, former Chief Justice of the Indiana Supreme Court; and Indiana Court of Appeals Judge Melissa May, ’84. In the photo from left are Kevin Knight, Thomas Amick, Riley Parr, Ilya Shapiro of the Cato Institute, Mick Nichols, Jarryd Martin, Chris Goff, and former Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard.

43rd Annual Women’s Caucus Auction Raises Funds for the Julian Center

On February 20, 2020, the Women’s Caucus welcomed 122 students, faculty, staff and members of the community to Inlow Hall for the 43rd annual Women’s Caucus Auction. More than 100 items were donated for the event, which raised $15,067.84 to benefit the Julian Center in Indianapolis. The Julian Center provides services for individuals who have experienced domestic violence.

The silent auction was followed by lively bidding during the live auction. John R. Gregg, ’84, a partner in Ice Miller’s Public Affairs Practice, served as guest auctioneer.

Fifth Annual Summer Academy Brings Undergraduate Students to IU McKinney

Fifty undergraduate students were able to experience law school during the Summer Law and Leadership Academy at the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law June 16-22, 2019. The Academy is designed to introduce undergraduate students from historically underrepresented backgrounds to law school and the career opportunities available with a law degree. In 2019, students came from 15 different undergraduate institutions and eight states to attend the summer academy. Shown in the photo are the summer 2019 program participants, along with program organizers, Assistant Dean Chasity Thompson, Dean Andrew Klein, and former IU McKinney Professor Shawn Boyne.

(ABOVE) Organizers of the event are shown with Dean Andrew R. Klein and IUPUI mascots, Jawz and Jazzy. Front row, kneeling from left: Taylor Pearson, IUPUI mascot Jazzy, Jordan Quillen, and IUPUI Mascot Jawz. Second row: Tiffany Wire-Costley, Rani Amani (auction co-chair), Sheremy Cabrera (auction co-chair), Dean Klein, Mackenzie Johnson, and Katie Speer. Third row: Erin Bodnar, Jessica Bohling, Laura Blaydes, Paysen Corbett, and Shelby Knop.
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The Honorable Thomas Joseph Carroll, ’67
The Honorable Thomas Joseph Carroll, ’67, former Judge of Marion County Superior Court, passed away October 5 at the age of 88. He was born on August 12, 1931 in Muncie, Indiana. He graduated from Indiana University and IU McKinney Law.

After being admitted to the bar, he worked as a law clerk for Federal District Court Judge James N. Nolan. He then worked as an attorney in private practice for twenty years. In 1988 he was appointed Judge of the Marion County Municipal Court by Governor Robert D. Orr and re-appointed by Governor Evan Bayh. He retired January 1, 2019 serving out his last six-year elected term as Judge of the Marion County Superior Court after 31 years on the bench.

Judge Carroll was actively involved in the community as a PTA member and officer, volunteer coach and referee, and a Charter Member of the School-to-Career Program. Judge Carroll is remembered for his vision regarding the importance of involving youth in school and career activities.

Memorial contributions may be made in honor of Judge Carroll to the McKinney Law Fund at the Indiana University McKinney School of Law at the Indiana University Foundation, PO Box 6460, Indianapolis, IN 46206-6460, or online at https://mckinneylaw.iu.edu/giving/index.html.

S. Steven “Spike” Karalekas, ’70
S. Steven Karalekas passed away at the end of 2019. Karalekas served as a lawyer-lobbyist based in Washington, D.C. for four decades. He represented some of the largest companies including General Electric, Boeing, UNISYS, and Westinghouse in their dealings with the White House, Department of Defense, and Congress. He was involved in large military base development and redevelopment projects in Washington, D.C.

Karalekas served on the White House staff of President Richard M. Nixon from 1971-1973, and as Chief of Staff to Massachusetts Congressman Paul W. Cronin from 1973-1974. He was appointed by Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger to be the first chairman of the Board of Visitors of the Defense Information School, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, and as a founding board member, Senior Vice President and General Counsel of the U.S. Navy Memorial Foundation, Washington, D.C.

In 2011, he was appointed to the Board of Visitors of IU McKinney School of Law.

Karalekas was awarded the Department of Defense Outstanding Civilian Service Medal by then Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney and the Navy’s highest civilian recognition, the Secretary of the Navy’s Distinguished Public Service Medal.

Karalekas graduated from the United States Naval Academy (B.S. with Honors, 1965), the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law (cum laude), Harvard University (M.P.A., magna cum laude, 1971), Department of State Foreign Service Institute and the Naval War College. He served on active (4) and reserve duty (26) in the Navy for 30 years.

Jordan Leibman, ’79
Jordan H. Leibman passed away on March 10, 2019 at the age of 88 after a long battle with Parkinson’s disease. Leibman was born June 5, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois. He received his B.A. and M.B.A. from the University of Chicago. In the late 1950s, Jordan moved his family to Indianapolis to become vice-president and general manager of a factory that produced record jackets, a position he held for 20 years.

At age 47, with five children in various stages of their high-school and college careers, Jordan decided to return to school himself. He graduated in the top of his class from the IU Robert H. McKinney School of Law, and was an editor of the Indiana Law Review. He became a full professor of business law at IUPUI, where he taught for 20 years.

The annual Jordan and Joan R. Leibman Forum on the Legal and Business Environment of Art was created at IUPUI focusing on topics at the nexus of art, law, and business, and was endowed by one of the many students who found his guidance and wisdom essential to their professional and personal development.
The IU McKinney School of Law mourns the loss of one of its greatest leaders and longest-serving deans—Dean Emeritus Norman Lefstein, who passed away on August 29, 2019, at the age of 82.

While sharing the sad news of Lefstein’s passing with the law school community, Dean Andrew R. Klein said, “Norm was a wonderful person and a transformational leader for our law school and the legal community.”

Lefstein served as dean of the law school from January 1, 1988, until June 30, 2002. During his tenure, he enhanced financial support for faculty research and scholarship and promoted the expansion of a number of the school’s activities, including international programs, clinics, internships, and pro bono opportunities for students. In recognition of this, the law school’s Pro Bono Program bestows the “Norman Lefstein Award of Excellence” to graduating law students who perform more than 200 hours of pro bono service throughout their law school careers. Dean Lefstein also spearheaded the fundraising and planning for the construction of Lawrence W. Inlow Hall, which was dedicated in 2001.

Prior to becoming the law school’s leader, Dean Lefstein was a faculty member for 12 years at the University of North Carolina School of Law in Chapel Hill. He also held visiting or adjunct appointments at the law schools of Duke, Northwestern, and Georgetown. His other positions included working as director of the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, as an Assistant United States Attorney in Washington, D.C., and as a staff member of the Office of the Deputy Attorney General of the U.S. Department of Justice. Early in his career, he was in private practice in a law firm and directed a large-scale Ford Foundation research project in which legal representation was furnished to juveniles in three metropolitan cities.

Norman L. Reimer, Executive Director of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, worked with Lefstein on the issue of indigent defense. “Norm Lefstein brought the crisis in public criminal defense to the attention of the profession and the nation,” he said. “But he did a lot more than ring an alarm bell. He
did the hard work of forging a consensus on the principles and standards necessary to realize the full promise of *Gideon* and secure the promise of the Sixth Amendment right to counsel for all accused persons. We mourn the loss of one of the giants of our profession.”

During Dean Lefstein’s distinguished career, his professional activities included serving as Chairman of the American Bar Association (ABA) Section of Criminal Justice and as Reporter for the Second Edition of *ABA Criminal Justice Standards Relating to The Prosecution Function and The Defense Function*. Dean Lefstein also served as chair of the ABA Committee on Criminal Justice Standards, and of the ABA Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants. For 17 years, Dean Lefstein served as chair of the Indiana Public Defender Commission, a position to which he was appointed by two Indiana governors. He served nine years as chair of the ABA’s Indigent Defense Advisory Group, which oversees the group’s nationwide efforts to strengthen legal services for the poor in criminal cases. He was also special advisor to the Indiana Task Force on Indigent Defense which produced a Report and Recommendations to the Indiana Public Defender Commission in 2018.

For more than 45 years, Dean Lefstein published extensively about indigent defense, ethics, and related subjects, including the duties of lawyers in providing defense representation. He also lectured and testified frequently as an expert witness in cases throughout the country pertaining to these subjects.

A renowned legal scholar, Dean Lefstein published primarily in the areas of indigent defense, criminal justice, and professional responsibility. In 2011, the ABA published his book, *Securing Reasonable Caseloads: Ethics and Law in Indigent Defense*. In addition, he played a major role as co-reporter in writing *Justice Denied: America’s Continuing Neglect of Our Constitutional Right to Counsel*, published by the Constitution Project in 2009. During the 1990’s, Dean Lefstein was chief counsel for the Subcommittee on Federal Death Penalty Cases, and in this capacity he directed the preparation of “Federal Death Penalty Cases: Recommendations Concerning the Cost and
Quality of Defense Representation,” which was approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

Many organizations recognized Dean Lefstein for his work. Among them, the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers named Dean Lefstein the Champion of Indigent Defense for 2005 for his work with the ABA’s Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants, and for his years of service with the Indiana Public Defender Commission.

In 2016, Dean Lefstein received the Robert O. Dawson Indigent Defense Distinguished Service Award from the Texas Indigent Defense Commission. The award was for his work to improve indigent defense in Texas and throughout the United States. Additionally, he was named a Sagamore of the Wabash in 2002 for his contributions to the law school and the Indiana legal community.

Dean Lefstein received an LL.B. at the University of Illinois College of Law, where he was a member of the law review and elected to Order of the Coif. The university honored him as a Distinguished Graduate in 2001. He earned his LL.M. degree from Georgetown University Law Center as a member of the E. Barrett Prettyman Fellowship Program in Trial Advocacy.

At a special event in his honor on August 2, 2019, Dean Lefstein received the Indiana University President’s Medal, which is the highest award given by IU. The Chancellor of IUPUI, Nasser Paydar, presented the medal to Dean Lefstein on behalf of IU President Michael A. McRobbie. Chancellor Paydar stated, “Norm Lefstein qualifies—in countless respects—as a great leader. In the vision, compassion, and expectations he brought to the McKinney School of Law, he also reflects the very best of the IUPUI campus.”

At the same event, Lefstein also was made an honorary alumnus of the IU McKinney School of Law and received an Indiana Supreme Court Commendation. In presenting the commendation on behalf of the court, former Chief Justice Randall T. Shepard said, “Norm, it does not overstate the case to say that thousands upon thousands of people have lived better lives because of how you have lived yours.”

(BELOW) Dean Lefstein received a Special Commendation from the Indiana Supreme Court at an event in his honor on August 2, 2019. From left, Dean Lefstein, Justice Steven David, Justice Christopher Goff, former Indiana Supreme Court Chief Justice Randall Shepard, Justice Geoffrey Slaughter, and former Indiana Supreme Court Justice, Professor Frank Sullivan, Jr.

(RIGHT) IUPUI Chancellor Nasser Paydar presents the Indiana University President’s Medal and a special certificate to Dean Lefstein during an event in his honor in August. The President’s Medal is the highest award given by IU.

(BELOW RIGHT) Dean Lefstein received a standing ovation from family, friends, and colleagues at the event in his honor on August 2.
“My law degree from McKinney Law School has allowed me to make a difference every day since graduation in the lives of my clients, those around me, and my community. It has allowed me to represent clients to the best of my abilities in seeking justice and to earn a good living so I can provide for my family and give back to my community and those less fortunate. Improving the McKinney Law School education by volunteering and donating is something that all alumni should do as our legal profession and society benefits.”

DAVID TEMPLE, ‘94,
PARTNER, DREWRY SIMMONS VORNEHM, LLP

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“I feel a sense of gratitude to IU McKinney School of Law for the opportunities my education there gave to me. I have served as a Law Firm Campaign Chairperson for over 13 years because I want to give back to the school that helped me launch a career that I love.”

STEVEN CRELL, ‘88,
MANAGING PARTNER, COHEN GARELICK & GLAZIER

“I am proud of the school and want to continue making it an institution of which we can all be proud.”

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