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#### **CELEBRATING LOYOLA'S LEGACY**

The Grand Reunion weekend on September 19-21 reminded me why I am so proud to serve as dean of Lovola. The Law School was bursting with energy from over 1,000 alumni, faculty, students and friends in a celebratory weekend that will be remembered for years. We celebrated a half century of extraordinary accomplishment and service. From recent grads to alumni who graduated five decades ago, all shared in pride for our school.

In my messages to you over the past year, I have looked back at our first 50 years on the Albany Campus. Now it is time to set our sights on what lies ahead.

#### **EMBRACING A CHANGING LANDSCAPE**

The Law School remains deeply committed to our mission of educating and empowering men and women who will be leaders of both the legal profession and society. But we cannot ignore the dramatic changes in the legal profession. We have embraced the new normal by reducing JD enrollment, diversifying with new programs and expanding opportunities for graduates.

### **DIVERSIFYING OUR** ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

Three years ago we added an LLM program for foreign-trained lawyers who seek a background in U.S. law. This fall we began a JSD program,

> Loyola Immigrant Justice Clinic Launch Event. From left: Professor Kathleen Kim, LIJC Co-Director Marissa Montes '12, Hon. Mary H. Murguia, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and Co-Director Emily Robinson '12

which is the law school version of a PhD. We are now also offering a Master of Tax Law degree for non-lawyers who seek to satisfy new requirements for CPA licensure in California. And in the coming year we will launch a Master of Legal Studies (MLS) degree, another program for non-lawyers. The MLS will appeal to students who work in fields such as health care and regulatory compliance where a one-year, focused course of study in a single area of law is sufficient.

### **EXPANDING OPPORTUNITIES** FOR NEW GRADS

Recent additions to our roster of practical-skills programs include the Loyola Immigrant Justice Clinic, Employment Rights Clinic and The Fashion Law Project. We continue to build career opportunities for recent grads through the Justice Entrepreneur Initiative, where we provide space and guidance to graduating students seeking to open their own law practice. This winter we will begin our







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Graduate Resident Associate Program, which will place recent grads in small- or mid-sized firms at a salary comparable to a post-graduate fellowship. This program provides the graduate with one year of experience, an expanded network and the opportunity to prove what they can do. The participating firm gets the services of a licensed attorney for a modest investment and a limited time commitment.

### PREDICTING EVEN BRIGHTER DAYS AHEAD

All of Loyola's alumni, including those featured in this edition of our annual magazine, are building a brighter future for the legal profession, the business world and the public sector. Your achievements, and our current students, tell me that the coming years will be even brighter than our past. We look forward to your partnership on our journey into the future of Loyola Law School.



YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS, AND OUR CURRENT STUDENTS, TELL ME THAT THE COMING YEARS WILL BE EVEN BRIGHTER THAN OUR PAST. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR PARTNERSHIP ON OUR JOURNEY INTO THE FUTURE OF LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL.

# the changing landscape looking forward through a **THE CHANGE STREAM**

2014 was a year of milestones: Celebrating 50 years at Loyola's Albany Campus, looking back at Loyola's forward-thinking curriculum and dynamic environment, and recognizing the innovative achievements that have shaped the community.

A ND MOVING FORWARD, CHANGE IS ALL AROUND US. THE LANDSCAPE IS CHANGING MORE RAPIDLY THAN EVER BEFORE, AND TECHNOLOGY IS REVOLUTIONIZING THE LEGAL INDUSTRY AND EVERYTHING IT TOUCHES. WHETHER YOU'RE IN "THE CLOUD" OR ON THE GROUND YOU CAN FEEL THE VIBRANT ENERGY FUELING THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT OF THE MILLENNIAL GENERATION. A SPIRIT THAT IS DRIVING INNOVATION IN REAL ESTATE, TECHNOLOGY, NEW AREAS OF PRACTICE AND BEYOND. ►









I DON'T HAVE MY OWN DESK, AND I DON'T WEAR A SUIT. I SIT AMONG OUR TEAM—OUR STAFF, TOP EXECUTIVES AND PART-TIME INTERNS ALIKE—IN ONE OF OUR OPEN WORK AREAS, AND TRY TO GET THROUGH MY TO-DO LIST FOR THE DAY LIKE EVERYONE ELSE.

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### **REAL** ESTATE Chris Rising '96

IMAGINE: EXECUTIVES WITHOUT OFFICES OR EVEN THEIR OWN DESKS. NO ONE IS WEARING A SUIT. SPONTANEOUS CONVERSATIONS COME

and go, but no clear calendar of organized meeting times. You may think you've walked into a savvy advertising agency or tech firm, but that is not the case. This is Rising Realty Partners, one of the leading real estate development, operating and investment companies headquartered in downtown Los Angeles.

And **Chris Rising** is at the helm as president and chief operating officer. "I don't have my own desk, and I don't wear a suit. I sit among our team—our staff, top executives and parttime interns alike—in one of our open work areas, and try to get through my to-do list for the day like everyone else," explains Rising.

The impact of the millennial generation on our popular culture, work environment, social interaction and forms of transportation are the biggest trends that Rising foresees. Technology and real estate are converging in new ways thanks to the availability of LexisNexis, co-location office space and a variety of other technologies, including apps that replace the need for an assistant. Today the barriers to starting one's own practice are pretty low.

This shift in environment will change how Los Angeles and the surrounding regions will look 10, 20 to 50 years from now. The Los Angeles of the future will draw on inspiration from the past. Rising can see a region driven by greater connectivity with the urbanization of surrounding suburban communities and real, local business communities developing.

The Los Angeles economy and real estate market is poised for a period of prosperity and



growth. Rising "anticipates several new smaller 'downtowns' springing up in the next few years and decades—Mid-Wilshire, Culver City, Atwater Village, Boyle Heights, Warner Center—bringing in more new business and creating more demand for housing." But the landmark that will change Los Angeles forever, according to Rising, is the Los Angeles River.

Over the next 50 years, the 51 miles of river from Canoga Park to Long Beach has the opportunity and potential to become the new coastline for Los Angeles. Rising forecasts that it "will connect Los Angeles in ways we have never known or past generations would

> Rising discusses project updates with co-workers in Rising Realty's open-air office space in the PacMutual Building in downtown Los Angeles.

AS TECHNOLOGY CONTINUES TO PERMEATE EVERY ASPECT OF OUR LIVES, AGE OLD POWER DYNAMICS WITHIN COMPANIES WILL CONTINUE TO TREND TOWARD MORE DEMOCRATIC AND INCLUSIVE ATMOSPHERES.



never have been able to appreciate." He is excited about how Mayor Garcetti has embraced the cause for the LA River and his own role serving on the board of the Los Angeles River Revitalization Corporation.

Rising is a believer in the millennial generation, noting that "the students at Loyola Law School today will make the changes they deem necessary because of their dedication to making a difference." Changing workplace mindsets as well as office layouts based on 20th-century work patterns will continue. It isn't a passing fad. This is good news for everyone in the office environment who, in the future, will spend more time together, rather than be separated by wood-paneled walls or grey fabric cubicles.

Rising continues, "It is also good news for developers and investors looking for new opportunity, but the wider impact on society shouldn't be overlooked. As technology continues to permeate every aspect of our lives, age old power dynamics within companies will continue to trend toward more democratic and inclusive atmospheres. If my own office is any example, people will be happier and less stressed at work."

 $\mbox{Photos}$  > Above: The Los Angeles River will connect the city in new ways according to Rising; Right: Chris Rising '96

THE STUDENTS AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL TODAY WILL MAKE THE CHANGES THEY DEEM NECESSARY BECAUSE OF THEIR DEDICATION TO MAKING A DIFFERENCE.





**TECH**NOLOGY *Bob Alvarado '83* 

FOR **BOB ALVARADO**, AN HOUR-PLUS COMMUTE FROM THE WESTSIDE OF LOS ANGELES TO ORANGE COUNTY FOR A COURT APPEARANCE INSPIRED A TECHNOLOGICAL EPIPHANY.

Alvarado and partner Mark S. Wapnick developed CourtCall, a national system that coordinates telephonic court appearances, after Wapnick returned from that fateful Orange County commute and began discussing how much to charge the client for his travel time. Wapnick posed a question: "If we can close a multistate, multiparty real estate transaction by phone, why can't we handle routine court appearances by phone?"

When Alvarado and Wapnick formed Court-Call in 1995, the use of remote, telephonic court appearances was piecemeal and only on a small scale. CourtCall changed that by creating a unified, national system. The partners began by securing a two-judge test that grew to a 10-courtroom pilot program. Today, CourtCall provides telephonic court appearances to more than 2,500 state and federal judicial officers in 42 states, including 57 counties in California, as well as Canada, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

CourtCall works by providing courtrooms with a high-quality speaker phone and a phone line. Attorneys, who pay a fee for the use of the system, dial in to the appropriate courtroom for their appearance. For all intents and purposes, it's the same as if the attorney appeared in court.

"The difference is when I hang up, I'm at my desk and not heading back in my car," said

VIDEO IN COURTS IS IN ITS INFANCY, AND THERE ARE ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES TO BE EXPLORED AND SAVINGS TO BE ATTAINED.

Alvarado. "Not only are the clients happy, but the lawyers are happy because they can spend another hour on something more productive than sitting in traffic."

CourtCall recently introduced video conference services to enhance remote appearances. These services enable expert and other witnesses to appear in court without the client paying travel expenses. Judges are using the video service for adoption and mental health hearings to avoid bringing evaluative doctors to court. Some courts are even conducting traffic-violation trials remotely. "Video in courts is in its infancy, and there are endless opportunities to be explored and savings to be attained," Alvarado said.

Alvarado foresees significant technological development in the areas of trial management, preparation and presentation. CourtCall is developing a remote interpretation system to allow language interpreters to work remotely, avoiding travel and other expenses to clients and courts. Elsewhere, Alvarado expects document review will become an increasingly efficient exercise where "you can use fuzzy logic and scour thousands of pages of depositions and discovery requests to find patterns in answers and the needle in the haystack."



### **TECH**NOLOGY: **FUTURE ED** by Professor Karl M. Manheim

### IN 1999, LOYOLA OPENED THE "COURTROOM OF THE FUTURE" (AKA ROBINSON COURTROOM IN THE GIRARDI

Advocacy Center). It was equipped with state-of-the-art technology, allowing for electronic evidence, remote witnesses, digital streaming and teleconferencing, and many other bells and whistles. It was truly impressive, and still is. But, in some respects, our future courtroom was so last century.



Legal practice and legal education have changed significantly in the intervening 15 years. In higher education generally, the new kids on the block are

"flipped classrooms," "distance learning," "Massive Open Online Classes" (MOOCs), outsourcing and globalization, innovation and the knowledge economy. The challenges facing 21st century law practice are magnified in law schools because we have to change not only what we teach, but how we teach.

Perusing Loyola's curricular offerings is a glimpse into the future—courses such as Biological Foundations of Law, Digital Media and the Law, the Law of Virtual Worlds, Copyright in New Technologies, Antitrust in a Global Economy and Cybercrime. All you 20th-century lawyers out there are forgiven if these seem far-fetched. They are not; they reflect emerging practice areas. In the works are specialized classes in Electronic Evidence, Electronic Trials, Software and the Digital Law Office. Can the Law of Artificial Intelligence be far behind?

As the topic areas have changed, so too has the classroom. Legal education is still primarily bricks-and-mortar, meaning face-to-face instruction, whether Socratic or some other method is used. But even in physical classrooms, new pedagogies are needed to keep pace with the iGeneration. Every one of Loyola's classrooms, from 12-seat seminar rooms to 135-seat Merrifield Hall, is now "high-tech." SmartBoards have replaced chalk- and white-boards. These allow for screen capture and navigation without a computer. Most classes are video-recorded; some are podcasted. Instant polling and simulcasting to laptop computers complement many lectures. In most classes, all course materials (sometimes even the textbook) are uploaded to course "portals" so that students have access 24/7.

Still, more innovation is coming. Traditional legal instruction consists primarily of linear information flow, from instructor to student, with occasional interaction. Wouldn't it be a better use of scarce classroom time to deliver the lecture before class and use that time to focus on exploration, problem solving and other interaction? That is what a "flipped" classroom does. Students work through audio, video or graphical lectures on their own time and come to class equipped to ask and answer questions, leading to better mastery of the material. "Blending" online with traditional instruction allows students to cover core material at their own pace and use a learning modality (text, graphical, audio or video) that works best for them. Then, "in-class" time comes alive as a study group of the whole.

I co-teach with Professor John Nockleby Loyola's online class—Technology and Privacy. It is a blended synchronous/asynchronous class. Students spend a minimum of two hours per week accessing online materials before our weekly 90-minute "live" class. We've taught the class for five years with great success. Other such classes are in the works.

In his acclaimed book, *The End of Lawyers?*, Richard Susskind (OBE) foretells the radical transformation underway for the profession. He follows up his predictions in *Tomorrow's Lawyers: An Introduction to Your Future*, targeted at today's law students and law schools. We might sum up his prescription in a simple phrase—"change or die." At Loyola, we are indeed changing and look forward to the next innovation in legal education. ■







# NEW AREAS OF PRACTICE: FASHION LAW

### Staci Riordan '04 and Danielle Lowy '07

# IT WAS NOTED IN A 2012 REUTERS ARTICLE BY WRITER ERIN GEIGER SMITH THAT ONE OF THE HOTTEST NEW TRENDS IN FASHION WAS

emerging from the unlikely venue of law schools and that fashion law, as an industry, was a burgeoning niche practice in New York City and Los Angeles. Today, that burgeoning niche is an industry of its own and plays a vital role in the operation and advancement of the fashion industry, a \$300 billion industry in the U.S.

And at the forefront of the fashion law evolution are Loyola alumnae **Staci Riordan** and **Danielle Lowy**. Representing multiple sides of the industry, Riordan leads Nixon Peabody LLP's Fashion Law Team and Lowy is corporate counsel at the helm of industry giant Justfab.com. These alumnae may have an affinity for high heels, but with each step in their careers they are shattering the fashion law "legally blonde" image with the innovative work they are leading, more often than not, in uncharted territory.

Lowy is often faced with the challenge of tackling new areas of law not previously addressed by the courts in Justfab.com's LA HAS BEEN SURPASSING NEW YORK ANNUALLY IN FASHION INDUSTRY REVENUE SINCE 1998.\*

e-commerce environment. This is a growing trend in fashion law as online-only fashion outlets open almost daily. Lowy explains that, "in the e-commerce world, there are many situations where you must look to other areas of the law or to the bricks-and-mortar precedent in order to inform your decisions. The Wild West is still alive and well when it comes to e-commerce alignment with the FTC and data protection law."

Beyond data protection law, fashion companies are concerned with several areas of practice, including privacy law; IP law (trademarks, patents, licenses and copyrights); employment law; and an endless sea of contracts. Both Lowy and Riordan can attest to the large number of contracts across many specialties that affect fashion law and have a major





economic impact on the industry. Riordan, working on the firm side of fashion law, can see the difference her industry expertise brings to both her transactional and litigation work. "Clients recognize the value fashion industry knowledge brings, and that we can support them in gaining desired results more effectively because of it," notes Riordan.

Lowy and Riordan are looking to the future of the industry in this rapidly changing environment, and both agree that the merging of fashion and technology will have the biggest impact yet. "Seamless integration between the online and offline fashion experience" is one of the biggest trends on the horizon, Riordan explains. Growing competition continues to drive the need for fashion companies to offer customers the most convenient and tailored experience possible.

This drive has helped create the industry trend of hyper-local advertising—utilizing real-time smartphone location data to send relevant, geographically focused advertisements to the targeted consumer. Lowy emphasizes the financial impact of this technology-driven movement and predicts that "the confluence of data gathering and targeted advertising will make this trend possible and profitable for businesses in urban centers."

Both Riordan and Lowy have played critical roles in the expansion of law and fashion as these sectors have become so closely intertwined in the worldwide industry we know today. In the years to come, Riordan sees fashion law practices taking a foothold in all firms-from "Big Law" to boutiques. And over time, with more companies willing to litigate various issues, Lowy predicts that more case law will be available for future fashion lawyers, evolving fashion law into a well-tested environment where lawyers will have less ambiguity in guidelines and practice. The biggest piece of advice that both of these industry leaders have for future lawyers with a desire to enter the fashion industry: It's great to have a passion for fashion, but becoming a great lawyer is still paramount to your success in this field. And a good grade in Contracts wouldn't hurt either.

### THE FASHION LAW PROJECT

Loyola's Fashion Law Project is a comprehensive academic center focused on the often unique, always fascinating legal issues affecting the fashion industry in the U.S. and internationally. The Project has several components, including fashion law courses, a Sub-Concentration, an annual symposium and the Fashion Law Summer Intensive Program.

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT AT LLS.EDU/THEFASHIONLAWPROJECT



FASHION IS A \$300 billion INDUSTRY IN THE UNITED STATES\*

IN LOS ANGELES, THE FASHION INDUSTRY GENERATES A REVENUE OF

\$58.2 billion<sup>\*</sup>

THERE ARE 168,400 FASHION INDUSTRY JOBS IN LOS ANGELES AND ORANGE COUNTIES\*

\* Statistics are referenced from the 2011 Otis Report on the Creative Economy of the Los Angeles Region – prepared for Otis College of Art and Design by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation



... OFTENTIMES YOU ARE WORKING ON DEALS THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN DONE BEFORE. IT'S CHALLENGING AND EXCITING ...



## **NEW AREAS** OF PRACTICE: **VIDEO GAME STREAMING** *Michael Scheppele '06*

OPEN GAMING CLOUD. HIGH-QUALITY, LOW-LATENCY VIDEO GAME STREAMING. REMOTE ACCESS. WHAT DO ALL OF THESE TERMS MEAN? THEY MEAN YOU HAVE JUST ENTERED THE

world of video game streaming. Companies in this industry are often a hybrid of a technology company and entertainment venture. Start-ups are emerging and thriving in this young industry, and rapid technological developments are expanding these companies at a record pace.

Michael Scheppele has a front row seat to the cutting-edge developments of the online gaming world in his role as senior counsel at Gaikai, a Sony Computer Entertainment Company. Gaikai has revolutionized the video game industry with its cloud and streaming technologies, and it continues to elevate its role in the industry with a focus on increasing accessibility to game streaming through the recently released PlayStation<sup>™</sup> Now service.

Working in an emerging industry coupled with rapidly advancing technology means dealing with unprecedented types of contracts and negotiations. The business is driven by an ever-increasing consumer desire for enhanced streaming. Scheppele finds that practicing law in this industry requires you to be comfortable with working outside the box to meet the demands of the business and technology development. His experience has been that start-ups move at an accelerated pace, and "oftentimes you are working on deals that have never been done before. It's challenging and exciting all at the same time."

The gaming business can look to outside trends, including developments in the music and movie industries, to gauge consumer preferences and future business considerations. Music has made a significant move toward digital with the integration of web and phone devices, and the movie industry is moving in a similar direction with resources like Netflix and Hulu. Scheppele can see the gaming industry as the next genre to move into this arena. While most video games and gaming systems still require a dedicated console for access, the next big step in the industry could be moving toward distribution methods that phase out consoles and provide direct access from televisions, tablets and other devices.

Each day the gaming industry is growing and changing, and this brings demand for a broad range of legal expertise. On any given day, Scheppele may be working on items related to several areas of the law, such as technology and content licenses, strategic relationships, computer network agreements and anything else that comes up along the way—as well as trying to find a few minutes to catch up on some of his favorite games like *Civilization* and *Uncharted*.

At Gaikai, an innovative leader in the world of cloud gaming, Scheppele finds "that you have to be at ease with going outside of your comfort zone and willing to look at business opportunities that challenge your limits." And that challenge fuels Scheppele's enthusiasm for the future of gaming and how the legal industry is expanding to support its changing needs.





### **SOCIAL** RESPONSIBILITY *Linda I. Marks '80*

AS A SENIOR LITIGATION COUNSEL FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE'S CONSUMER PROTECTION BRANCH, LINDA I. MARKS HAS PARTICIPATED IN THE EVOLUTION OF CONSUMER LAW IN THE DIGITAL AGE.

"There are so many ways to defraud people on the Internet," points out Marks. "There are opportunities that didn't exist before, when you had to make contact with someone over the phone or via mail."

Technological progress has created new areas of consumer-law practice. Many of Marks' cases involve offenses committed by online pharmacies. "That wouldn't have ever existed before the Internet—the ability for people to obtain drugs from any country in the world." Marks has helped craft settlement resolutions with a wide-ranging impact on the public at large. Recently, she was part of a prosecutorial effort against a foreign pharmaceutical manufacturer alleged to be selling adulterated drugs in the U.S. The Department of Justice reached a record \$500 million civil and criminal settlement with the company.

Elsewhere, technological advances have made it easier for perpetrators to hide their trails. That means additional sleuthing is



necessary to locate suspects. In prosecuting large-scale odometer tampering cases, Marks must dissect online sales conducted over sites such as eBay, making it more challenging to track perpetrators.

"These are cases involving hundreds or thousands of cars with wholesalers altering titles and odometers," explained Marks. "What's great about those cases is you get to connect directly with the consumers, the victims. These are people who had no idea that the vehicle they thought had 35,000 miles when they purchased it really had 135,000 miles."

As a law student, Marks externed for the Office of General Counsel for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, where she became a staff attorney after graduation. She was a litigator enforcing fisheries, marine mammal, endangered species and national marine sanctuary protection laws. She found it exhilarating to be a part of what was then an emerging area of practice.

Marks later worked as an assistant United States attorney in Washington, D.C., where she prosecuted narcotics and weapons offenses, as well as crimes involving shootings, robbery, burglary, murder, bank embezzlement and ATM fraud cases. Today, she continues her crusade to protect the public-but on a much larger scale. "These are cases that touch hundreds, if not thousands, of people-and from every walk of life. We are looking at individuals who are affecting victims across the country," she said. "You want to be here to ensure that the food supply and drug supply are safe." And with passionate leaders like Marks working to improve oversight, justice will continue to be served.

> THESE ARE CASES THAT TOUCH HUNDREDS, IF NOT THOUSANDS, OF PEOPLE—AND FROM EVERY WALK OF LIFE.



### **SOCIAL** RESPONSIBILITY *Robert Grace '87*

### ON A RECENT SATURDAY, A DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY COULD BE FOUND AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL ASSEMBLING BACKPACKS WITH

essentials like soap, a toothbrush and socks. Side by side with students and fellow alumni, he packed bag after bag. Then together they all went to Skid Row to hand out the backpacks to homeless men and women. It is a mission that is close to the heart of **Robert "Bobby" Grace**. He's spent the past 27 years serving the community in a court of law as a prosecutor.

"In the criminal justice system, as a prosecutor, I deal with the victims of crimes, but there isn't any focus on why people are committing a crime. I found a lot of people are caught up in criminal justice because of longstanding socioeconomic issues. One way to help is to provide basic needs. If we can do that, maybe that will be one person who won't commit a petty theft or steal because their basic needs were met."

When it came to choosing a law school, Grace had an easy decision, "I went to Catholic school growing up, so the Jesuit tradition of helping people really fit with how I was raised. Loyola has a tradition of steering students to careers in public service and public interest law. And the legal clinics train students how to use the law for the greater good of society. President Burcham '84 was a true leader at both the Law School and Loyola Marymount University to make giving back a focus."

During his second year, Grace enrolled in the Hobbs District Attorney Clinic, where he had a rare opportunity to be a certified law clerk in the DA's office. It was the only experience that allowed a student to actually get on the record in court working on a case. "A lot of DAs in Los Angeles took that class," he fondly remembers. That experience prepared him for his future career.



"I'm fortunate that I have a job where I'm asked to do the right thing everyday. My job isn't to win jury trials or lock people up. My job is to do justice and protect the public. I'm glad to have that responsibility."

As a member of the Alumni Association Board of Governors, Grace has spent time mentoring recent graduates. "In the last 10 years, more and more graduates are getting into areas of law as human beings instead of being driven by money. Competition for jobs is so crazy. Grads have thoughts like, 'Why am I doing this? If I'm spending so much time on something, I want to do something that saves my soul and has some purpose.""

This next generation of lawyers coming out of Loyola will lead the way toward positive change, said Grace. "They are doing groundbreaking clinic work for the LA community, like the Project for the Innocent and Loyola Immigrant Justice Clinic. These are important trends in the industry. Students who do this work are motivated, and wherever you see passion you will see movement."



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### LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL JLOS ANGELES LAW SCHOOL JLOS ANGELES DECENIETS FOR OTHES

IN THE LAST 10 YEARS, MORE AND MORE GRADUATES ARE GETTING INTO AREAS OF LAW AS HUMAN BEINGS INSTEAD OF BEING DRIVEN BY MONEY.



## 2014 PICTORIAL

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#### MARCH 13, 2014

Named in honor of longtime Loyola Professor William G. Coskran '59, this chair was bestowed on Professor Therese Maynard. Her passion for corporate and business law inspired her to create the innovative Business Law Practicum, which benefits students interested in practicing law in a transactional setting.





### **NOVEMBER 1, 2013**

Loyola students were recognized for their excellence in academic achievement at the annual Scholarship Luncheon. Scholarship recipients had the opportunity to share their law school experiences directly with donors who have made a lasting impact on their career and education.





### APRIL 11, 2014

Loyola hosted its eighth-annual Fidler Institute on Criminal Justice, which focused on a series of important half-century milestones in the field of criminal law. Panels included "50 Years Since the Enactment of the Federal Civil Rights Act" and "50 Years Since the Boston Strangler."





### **2014** Commencement

#### MAY 18, 2014

Students, faculty and staff celebrated the 93rd Commencement Ceremony on Loyola Marymount University's Westchester campus. The Honorable Sung Kim '85, United States Ambassador to the Republic of Korea, delivered the keynote address to graduates.



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### **5** Loyola Preview Day

#### APRIL 25, 2014

Preview Day offered more than 100 admitted students a glimpse into the life of a Loyola student. Participants experienced a mock law class, faculty and student panels, and finally the much-anticipated "Taste of LA" reception, which features the city's most popular food trucks.



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### Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. Award Ceremony

#### FEBRUARY 26, 2014

The award is presented annually to an individual who embodies the qualities of Johnnie L. Cochran, Jr. '62—trailblazers, innovators, master attorneys and mentors. The 2014 awardee was Hon. Mark Ridley-Thomas, Supervisor, Los Angeles County, Second District.

### 07 Orange County Alumni Receptio

#### MAY 14, 2014

Alumni gathered together for an evening of networking. Proceeds from the event benefitted the John J. Collins Memorial Scholarship.

### Champions of Justice Tribute Dinner

### **OCTOBER 30, 2014**

At the 10th-annual "Tribute to the Champions of Justice" dinner, the Civil Justice Program honored Louis (Duke) H. DeHaas, of La Follette, Johnson, DeHaas, Fesler & Ames, and William M. Shernoff, of Shernoff Bidart Echeverria Bentley LLP. Photo above: A Salute to a Decade of Champions includes several honorees from 2005 through 2014.

# 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WEEKEND

# **SEPTEMBER 19 – 21, 2014**





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Celebrating

AT LOYOLA'S

ALBANY CAMPUS

YEARS

COGNITION

### o YMCA Stair Climb for Los Angeles

### **SEPTEMBER 19, 2014**

Loyola staff, faculty, students and alumni volunteered at the 21st-annual event in downtown LA, where they cheered on hundreds of climbers. The service event was part of the school's goal of donating 50,000 pro bono and community service hours in honor of 50 Years at Albany.



### SEPTEMBER 20, 2014

A new donor wall was unveiled during the Grand Reunion to recognize individuals and organizations whose contributions total \$50,000 or more in cumulative lifetime giving. Please visit the wall in the center of campus the next time you are at the Law School.

### SEE MORE IMAGES FROM THE 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION EVENTS:

lls.edu/50atAlbany/events

LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL



### **o3** 50 Inspirational Alumni Recognition

#### **SEPTEMBER 20, 2014**

We honored our 50 Inspirational Alumni, a "who's who" of some of the most accomplished lawyers, public servants and business men and women selected by the alumni community. Many of them joined us on stage to receive well-deserved recognition. Read more online at IIs.edu/50InspirationalAlumni.

**Pictured from left to right:** Mark P. Robinson, Jr. '72, Pamela Duffy '78, Hon. Sheila Sonenshine '70, Olegario D. Cantos VII '97, Gloria Allred '74, President David W. Burcham '84, Lloyd Greif '84, Liam E. McGee '84, Tom Beck '77, Thomas V. Girardi '64, Hon. Kathryn Doi Todd '70, Ralph Black '80, Robert C. Baker '71, Hon. Frederick J. Lower, Jr. '64, Carmen Chavez '99, Hon. John V. Meigs '78, Dean Victor Gold, Patricia D. Phillips '67, Shirley Henderson '72, Alfred Jenkins '76, Mary V. Orozco '61, Thomas J. Nolan '75, Nicholas P. Saggese '80, Robert Shapiro '68 and Brian Kabateck '89. In attendance but not pictured: Hon. Carol Codrington '84.





THE REUNION WAS THE BEST ONE I HAVE EVER ATTENDED! USING LOYOLA AS THE LOCATION WAS BRILLIANT. THE AMBIENCE WAS PERFECT; THE FOOD EXCEPTIONAL; AND THE ENTERTAINMENT SUPERB.





### **SEPTEMBER 20, 2014**

Special musical guest Peter Cetera got the crowd on its feet with his greatest hits from both his Chicago days and illustrious solo career.





### **SEPTEMBER 20, 2014**

Over 1,000 alumni, faculty, staff, students and friends came together at a celebratory Grand Reunion that will surely be remembered for years to come.

> Thanks to Tom Girardi '64 for sponsoring the live entertainment.

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# THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS!

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## MILESTONE REUNIONS: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

FIVE SIMULTANEOUS CLASS REUNION DINNERS—'64, '74, '84, '94 AND '04—WERE HELD AROUND CAMPUS ON SATURDAY NIGHT. OVER \$750,000 WAS RAISED THROUGH THEIR REUNION CLASS GIFTS, WHICH WILL SUPPORT CURRENT AND FUTURE LOYOLA STUDENTS.





### Class Reunion

### CO-CHAIRS: TOM GIRARDI AND HON. FREDERICK J. LOWER, JR.

The class of 1964 consisted of only 41 graduates; and a dozen loyal classmates returned to celebrate their 50-year reunion together.



#### CHAIR: ROMAN SILBERFELD

Class of 1974 attendees mingled in the Walter J. Lack Reading Room, a new area of the William M. Rains Library that didn't exist when they were students.

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**CO-CHAIRS: DEMETRIA GRAVES** 

The class of 2004 enjoyed their private reception outside in Founders Plaza surrounded by old friends and new colleagues.



**CO-CHAIRS: DAVID NEWDORF** 

After 20 years, the class of 1994 reunited and reminisced with a number of professors who also attended the reunion.



**CO-CHAIRS: DAVID W. BURCHAM,** AND IRENE ZIEBARTH

Kurt Moll, the student speaker at the 1984 commencement, reprised his role and read an abbreviated version of his speech during the reunion.







CIT WAS A WONDERFUL, **ENJOYABLE AND** MEANINGFUL REUNION. ADAM SIEGLER '84

## FAMILY DAY: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21







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A day earlier, on September 20, the Alumni Association Board of Governors partnered with students, staff, alumni and faculty to collect canned food at this year's Grand Reunion. Volunteers collected food donations and delivered them to the elementary school across the street from the Law School, directly benefiting neighborhood families.



Dean Victor Gold pins Bob Cooney, an honorary Grand Alumni Society member, during the inaugural induction ceremony. The Society recognizes alumni who graduated 50 years ago or more. It is a tribute to these alumni who have played a critical role in shaping the Law School and the legal profession.



Sunday began with campus Mass followed by a Service Brunch. George C. Fatheree, III '07 and Blanca A. Bañuelos '03 were honored by the Public Interest Law Foundation and were presented with the Pro Bono Award and the Public Interest Award respectively. Special thanks to Skadden for serving as the sponsoring firm for the brunch.





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Tom Martin '01 and his daughter listen to music during Sunday's Family Day BBQ.



Alumni returned to the classroom to hear 50-year themed lectures from Professor Allan Ides '79 and Professor Laurie Levenson.





# THE CENTER FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION 21 YEARS OF SERVICE

THE CENTER FOR CONFLICT RESOLUTION'S TEAM OF BILINGUAL ATTORNEYS, STUDENTS AND VOLUNTEERS IS NEARING 5,000 DISPUTE RESOLUTIONS SINCE THE CLINIC'S INCEPTION IN 1993. THE CENTER HAS RECEIVED COUNTLESS ACCOLADES FOR ITS DEDICATION AND CONTINUES TO BE A PILLAR OF HOPE FOR THE COMMUNITY.

The Center For Conflict Resolution (The CCR) has become synonymous with mediation, conciliation and facilitation in Los Angeles. Now in its 21st year, the organization has grown to better serve the wide variety of needs that come through its doors including consumer-debt, disability, divorce, employment, family, landlord-tenant and victim-youth offender cases. The CCR is composed of three clinical experiences for law students:

- Conciliation & Mediation Clinic
- Collaborative Law Clinic

 Collaborative Law Judgment Clinic. Students gain valuable hands-on mediation experience by performing intake work, conciliation and co-mediation on a variety of cases for the Conciliation and Mediation Assistance Clinic (C-MAC). The Collaborative Law Clinic (C-LAW) trains students in family law and collaborative law through a partnership with the Los Angeles Collaborative Family Law Association. Students who enroll in a second semester with C-LAW can gain experience preparing judgments for the final Collaborative Divorce Mediation session with mentoring attorneys at the Collaborative Law Judgment Clinic.

In 2014, The CCR launched the Mediator-in-Residence Program, which places mediators in organizations that serve monolingual Spanish-speaking communities, seniors, veteran and active military communities, and the disabled. By allowing mediators to be readily accessible to these populations, the team hopes to expand its reach to these underserved populations. In addition, the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors recognized The CCR's Collaborative Mediation Program with the Outstanding Project Award for its dedication to the resolution of a dispute.



### WHAT CLIENTS ARE SAYING:

"THESE PEOPLE ARE DEDICATED TO HELP THOSE WHO NEED IT."

"THE CENTER CARES ABOUT OUR PROBLEMS AND TRIES TO RESOLVE THEM THE BEST WAY POSSIBLE."

"I DON'T HAVE THE WORDS TO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE."



# **700** *cases*

**150** students

# CENTER FOR JUVENILE LAW & POLICY Celebrates 10th Anniversary

**50,000** 

hours

SINCE THE CENTER FOR JUVENILE LAW & POLICY (CJLP) OPENED ITS DOORS A DECADE AGO, ABOUT 150 LOYOLA STUDENTS HAVE HELPED MORE THAN 300 CLIENTS ON 700 CASES, CONTRIBUTING 50,000 PRO BONO HOURS TO THE COMMUNITY.

300

clients

The CJLP formed in fall 2004 and opened its Juvenile Justice Clinic in spring 2005. Participating students represent youth clients in Los Angeles County criminal proceedings, along with on-staff social workers, under the supervision of professors. Seeing that clients often experienced trouble in their academic environment, in 2009 the CJLP opened the Youth Justice Education Clinic. Its student advocates work to ensure their clients receive adequate school services. In 2011, the Juvenile Innocence & Fair Sentencing

### ADVOCATES HAVE SECURED 200-PLUS DISMISSALS FOR CLIENTS

ONE-THIRD OF CJLP ALUMNI HAVE PURSUED PUBLIC-INTEREST CAREERS (JIFS) Clinic opened to help those sentenced as juveniles to life sentences and those with innocence claims.

The CJLP continues to expand its programming. New offerings include a program to educate inmates about SB 260, the California Senate bill that provides for early release for those convicted as juveniles who meet certain criteria.

Loyola alumni have a legacy of leadership at the CJLP. Cyn Yamashiro '93 founded the center after spending 10 years with the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office, where he worked in the Juvenile Division. Sean Kennedy '89, former Federal Public Defender for the Central District of California, joined the CJLP as its newest Kaplan and Feldman Executive Director in fall 2014. (You can read more about Sean Kennedy on page 39.)

### GIVE & TAKE: FOSTERING A CONTINUING DIALOGUE

#### **EXPLORING SOLUTIONS**

The CJLP's symposia have convened top juvenile attorneys and advocates along with law enforcement officers and policy makers for such discussions as "Ineffective Assistance of Counsel: Systemic Causes, Systemic Solutions," "Juveniles and the Supreme Court," "Dodging the Pipeline: Kids at the Intersection of the Juvenile Justice and Education Systems" and "Crime Prevention through Effective Juvenile Justice Programming."

#### **RECOGNIZING EXCELLENCE**

The CJLP annually recognizes those who have contributed to the juvenile justice community by bestowing the Sister Janet Harris Awards. The 2014 honorees are Cyn Yamashiro '93, CJLP founding director, and the Hon. Michael Nash '74, presiding judge, Juvenile Court, Superior Court of California, Los Angeles County.



TO VIEW CENTER VIDEOS AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CENTER FOR JUVENILE LAW & POLICY GO TO LLS.EDU/CJLP



# LOYOLA DEBUTS Fashion Law Summer Intensive

From Balenciaga to branding, Loyola's inaugural Fashion Law Summer Intensive gave fashion students, practicing attorneys and fashion industry professionals an immersion into the world of fashion law.

- Faculty included expert attorneys and industry executives from True Religion Apparel, Inc., Shark Branding and the California Fashion Association.
- Participants received tours at luxury brand flagships in Beverly Hills: Tory Burch, Carolina Herrera, Planet Blue and Brooks Brothers.
- Classes included: How to Launch a Fashion Line, Creating Brand DNA in Fashion, Fashion M&A and Incorporating Celebrities into Fashion Campaigns.

As scores of apparel manufacturers and wholesalers set up shop in downtown Los Angeles, the city is rising through the ranks to become one of the great fashion capitals of the world. As a result, Loyola created The Fashion Law Project, which is tailored to professionals and students hoping to break into the industry. Loyola's Fashion Law Summer Intensive Program covered topics such as brand building and strategy, copyright protection, how to launch a fashion line and incorporating celebrities into fashion campaigns. To truly understand the nuts and bolts of successful brands, the program organized behind-thescenes tours of Beverly Hills boutiques where they learned about the evolution of famous brands such as Carolina Herrera and Tory Burch. The final project tasked participants to create their own brand and present it to the class on the final day.

"For most fashion businesses—from the upstart to the established label—branding is the single most important factor of success. Loyola's Summer Intensive aimed to provide participants with the tools and know-how COYOLA'S SUMMER INTENSIVE AIMED TO PROVIDE PARTICIPANTS WITH THE TOOLS AND KNOW-HOW NEEDED TO SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOP, LAUNCH AND GROW A BRAND.



needed to successfully develop, launch and grow a brand," said Adjunct Professor Staci Jennifer Riordan '04, executive director of The Fashion Law Project and partner and head of the fashion law team at Nixon Peabody LLP.

Photos > Top Left: Fashion Law Summer Intensive lecturer IIse Metchek, president of the California Fashion Association, presents "Fashion Today: An Industry Overview."



CHECK OUT PHOTOS AND TWEETS FROM THE PROGRAM USING THE HASHTAG #LOYOLAFLSI14 ON TWITTER HANDLE IS \_FASHIONLAW ON INSTAGRAM

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### #TRENDING: THE FASHION LAW PROJECT

Launched in 2013, Loyola's Fashion Law Project is the first of its kind on the West Coast. It is a comprehensive academic center focused on the unique and all-encompassing legal issues affecting the fashion industry. It provides programming for law students, design students, legal professionals and fashion industry professionals. The curriculum features courses on Fashion Law Business Transactions, Fashion Modeling Law and a Fashion Law Clinic.

The first installment of its annual symposia, "One Channel Does Not Fit All: The Fashion Law Implications of Omnichannel Marketing," was held in March 2014. It examined the unique issues posed by emerging technology and trends in the fashion industry in the areas of privacy, advertising, social responsibility and more.



CHECK OUT THE SYMPOSIUM ONLINE AND VIEW PROGRAM VIDEOS: LLS.EDU/FASHIONLAWSYMPOSIUM

### *New Student Union* **A HUB FOR COLLABORATION AND RECREATION**

THE MULTI-USE SPACE FEATURES TWO LOUNGE AREAS, A LARGE STUDY AREA AND PRIVATE CONFERENCE ROOM FOR STUDENT GROUPS TO HOLD MEETINGS, HANG OUT AND HIT THE BOOKS.

The Student Union opened its doors this fall to students who were eager to utilize the new study space and hold meetings in the new lounge. The design gives students easy access to the latest technology so they can stay plugged in during board meetings and study sessions. The facility spans 4,000 square feet of space in the first floor of the Casassa Building in what once housed the bookstore and three small classrooms.





CREATED FOR STUDENTS BY STUDENTS



### STUDENTS



### rosemarie unite | FROM FILM SETS TO TRANSACTIONAL WORK

AFTER A LONG CAREER WORKING IN FILM AND TELEVISION PRODUCTION FOR THE DIRECTORS GUILD OF AMERICA, ROSEMARIE UNITE DECIDED TO SWITCH GEARS AND FULFILL HER DREAM TO ATTEND LAW SCHOOL. LOYOLA'S TOP-RANKED EVENING PROGRAM AND THE SCHOOL'S REPUTATION FOR PUBLIC INTEREST AND ENTERTAINMENT

prowess solidified her decision. Unite narrowed her focus to corporate transactional work and sought practical experience through the Transactional Negotiation Team, *Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review* and various externships. While working in a summer externship, she witnessed firsthand the power of Loyola's alumni network and received invaluable advice on how to succeed in the field from Loyola graduates in her firm.

### WHY DID YOU DECIDE TO GO TO LAW SCHOOL?

During my senior year of college, I wanted to take the LSAT, but I got a job offer to work in Europe and I couldn't turn it down. Then I moved to Los Angeles for the Directors Guild Training Program, which allowed me to learn the ropes of film production on the sets of studio projects. I stayed in the film industry for many years as an assistant director until I took some time off to have a baby, which was around the time the Writers Guild of America strike hit the industry. So, I thought it was a good time to go back to what I originally intended to do years ago, and apply to law school.



I have found that Loyola's reputation for providing practical nuts and bolts training is widely respected in the legal community. The Transactional Negotiation Team was a great learning experience for me; it's a "moot court-like" experience in a transactional setting. The faculty who advise the team invite professionals in the community to meet the students so they can create a network with attorneys in the field. In addition, the curriculum exposed me to venture capital and private equity, which is what I'll be doing in my new job at Bingham McCutchen LLP.

### WHAT DID YOU ENJOY MOST AT LOYOLA?

I love the professors! They're so personable, and it's great to see so many Loyola alumni come back to teach here. Professor Susan Bakhshian '91 leads Loyola's Bar Program, and my classmates and I are very appreciative of the training we received now that we've completed bar review. I also enjoyed the fact that my Evening Program classmates had such a diverse set of backgrounds and professional experience. It made class discussion really interesting.

#### HOMETOWN

Lake Jackson, Texas

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE

BA, Managerial Studies and Spanish, Rice University

#### **FAVORITE CLASS**

Art and the Law

### CAMPUS INVOLVEMENTS

Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review, Evening Student Bar Association, Transactional Negotiation Team, Public Interest Law Foundation

#### NEXT STEPS

I look forward to doing corporate transactional work at Bingham McCutchen LLP.

### rusty hicks | LAW SCHOOL'S FIRST DEPLOYED EXTERN

WHEN RUSTY HICKS WAS DEPLOYED TO AFGHANISTAN AS AN INTELLIGENCE OFFICER FOR THE UNITED STATES NAVY, HE HAD NO CHOICE BUT TO PUT HIS LEGAL EDUCATION ON HOLD. HE VOLUNTEERED TO WORK IN THE U.S. NAVY JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL CORPS (JAG) OFFICE AND ASKED LOYOLA IF HE COULD EARN UNITS FOR HIS WORK

during active duty. Hicks remains the Law School's first deployed extern and he says his Loyola training provided him with the essential skills needed for military legal work. With JAG, Hicks dealt with legal contracts for U.S. and international vendors, military justice issues and the difficult task of investigations on military personnel who were killed in action. For Hicks, it was both an "honor and a humbling experience."

### WHAT DID YOU ENJOY MOST AT LOYOLA?

Loyola was so supportive when I had to leave school for my military commitment, and they helped me when I returned to finish my degree. I also enjoyed learning from committed professors and working with exceptional staff who understood the many challenges faced by evening students. My classes were fascinating, especially in the sense of the conversation. I realized how much the legal system touches every part of our daily lives. Loyola has picked up a supportive alumnus for life.

### WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR THE FUTURE?

I was honored to serve my country in Afghanistan. Now I'm ready for my next mission. During law school I worked for the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, an affiliate-based organization that represents all unions in the county. As leader of the Los Angeles Labor Movement, I'll fight against income inequality and for greater access to the American Dream—that fundamental freedom to work hard and earn what's fair. Since the completion of my legal education, I have seen a difference in my level of awareness when dealing with people from all walks of life.

#### HOMETOWN

Fort Worth, Texas

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE

International Economics and Political Science, Austin College

#### FAVORITE CLASS

Criminal Law

#### CAREER ASPIRATIONS

To improve the lives of hardworking men and women throughout Los Angeles.

#### OCCUPATION

Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Los Angeles County Federation of Labor

### HOW HAS LOYOLA EQUIPPED YOU FOR THE REAL WORLD?

The rigors of a Loyola education reinforced my commitment to better the lives of others and gave me the skills to fulfill that commitment. The core thing I learned in law school is the ability to verbally articulate a thought, concept or feeling. Now, I can take on a complex problem, dissect it and address the issue. These critical skills separate me from my peers in the field; law school taught me a new way to think.



HEAR FROM RUSTY ABOUT HOW HE WILL REPRESENT OVER 600,000 WORKERS AT LLS.EDU/MAG2014

# JUSTIN LEVITT ► PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR



Education: BA, Harvard College; JD/MPA, Harvard Law School/Harvard Kennedy School
 Favorite Thing About Teaching Day Students: The student body at Loyola is remarkable. They are public-service oriented, amazingly diverse, incredibly intelligent—and all of those things without a sense of entitlement. It's a wonderful feeling when I have the opportunity to be a part of that.

Loyola's Day Student Bar Association voted Professor **Justin Levitt** as the recipient of its 2013-14 Excellence in Teaching Award. Levitt joined the Loyola faculty in 2010. His courses include Constitutional Law, Law of the Political Process, Criminal Procedure and The Motives of Public Actors. A founding faculty advisor of the Loyola chapter of the American Constitution Society for Law and Policy student organization, he regularly helps shepherd student-run events on important legal issues as both moderator and promoter.

"Professor Levitt is dedicated to his students in every sense of the word, from answering very late emails to taking time well beyond classroom hours to meet with students," wrote SBA President Neel Ghanshyam '14 and Vice President Stacey Nelson '14 in announcing the award recipient. "Professor Levitt's dedication and passion serves as inspiration to us all."

Outside of the classroom, Levitt's work has had a profound impact on the public. Levitt has served in various capacities for several presidential campaigns, including as National Voter Protection Counsel in 2012, helping to run an effort ensuring that tens of millions of citizens could vote and have those votes counted. On several occasions, he has testified about voting rights-related issues

### WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING:

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before U.S. Senate subcommittees. Additionally, he runs the website All About Redistricting (redistricting.lls.edu), an online resource for the redrawing of electoral lines.

But for Levitt, everything starts with the classroom. "Teaching is the first priority; the students are the reason I'm a professor. That's a norm that's easy to enforce because it's so widely shared at Loyola," he said. "I'm also not only allowed, but encouraged, to give back to the school, the community and the country, by engaging in the real world of the law. It's an eminently sensible balance: Each piece makes the other stronger."



# ELIZABETH POLLMAN ► PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR

Though she has only taught at Loyola for two years, **Elizabeth Pollman** has already made an indelible impression on her students. Take it from a student in her Contracts course: "Professor Pollman fosters a really comforting and inclusive classroom environment. She took a hard course and made it relatable for us. She went out of her way on numerous occasions to make sure we were grasping the material, so we can easily retain lessons."

Evening Division students named her the Professor of the Year in 2014, and Pollman feels "grateful" to be able to do what she loves every day. "I try to bring the material alive and make it interesting and understandable," she said. "Even when I teach big classes, like Business Associations, I try to learn every student's first name and connect with them." Pollman values the way that the administration supports both teaching and scholarship because they are an integral part of her career.

Her extensive legal research delves into the constitutional rights of corporations, as well as law and entrepreneurship. She recently published "Information Issues on Wall Street 2.0" in the University of Pennsylvania Law Review and has two forthcoming articles, "A Corporate Right to Privacy" in the Minnesota Law Review (2014) and "The Derivative Nature of Corporate Constitutional Rights" with co-author Margaret Blair in the William & Mary Law Review (2015).

Prior to joining Loyola, Pollman served as a fellow with the Arthur and Toni Rembe Rock Center for Corporate Governance at Stanford University and practiced law at Latham & Watkins LLP.

When asked what she loves most about Loyola, she replied that the faculty sets the school apart: "It's a warm community of teachers and scholars who care for all aspects of what they're doing."

#### WHAT STUDENTS ARE SAYING:

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 COMFORTING AND
 INCLUSIVE CLASSROOM
 ENVIRONMENT. SHE
 TOOK A HARD COURSE
 AND MADE IT RELATABLE
 FOR US. 2



Education: AB, Stanford University; JD, Stanford Law School, Order of the Coif
 Favorite Thing About Teaching Evening Students: I admire the ambition and diligence of our evening students and the sense of camaraderie and real-world experience they bring to the classroom.

# NEW DEANS



SEAN M. SCOTT, Senior Associate Dean

- BA: Smith College
- JD: New York University School of Law
- Joined Loyola Faculty in 1989 and served as the associate dean for faculty from 2008-2013
- Voted "Professor of the Year" in 2006
- Favorite Class to Teach: Contracts, because I adore the enthusiasm, curiosity and work ethic that first-year students bring to their studies

### <sup>CC</sup> MY GOALS ARE TO FOCUS ON GENERATING NEW NON-JD PROGRAMS AT THE LAW SCHOOL...AND TO ASSIST THE ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY AND STAFF IN STRATEGIC PLANNING...<sup>2</sup>

In 2014, Professor **Sean M. Scott** celebrates her 25th year on the Loyola faculty and a new position in the Dean's Cabinet. In her new role of senior associate dean, Scott looks forward to applying her years of leadership experience to a new set of responsibilities.

The position was created for two reasons:

- to capitalize on the institutional knowledge that Scott has gained over her five years as associate dean of faculty, and
- to identify an administrator who will be responsible for thinking strategically about the development of non-JD programs.

Scott will also direct Law School programs including: Academic Centers & Institutes and

Academic Events, such as conferences and symposia. In addition, she will oversee several departments, including Enrollment Management, Admissions and Marketing & Communications, and take the lead on new project incubation. Scott will continue to perform institutional and market research to promote innovation and experiential learning in an ever-evolving legal landscape.

Scott emphasized, "My two primary goals are to focus on generating new non-JD programs at the Law School, for lawyers and non-lawyers, and to continue to assist the administration, faculty and staff in strategic planning as the Law School adjusts to the changes in legal academia and the legal profession."

Professor **Alexandra Natapoff**, a prolific scholar whose work has explored the worlds of confidential informants and misdemeanor practice, is Loyola's new associate dean for research.

Natapoff, a Theodore A. Bruinsma Fellow, has received widespread acclaim for her scholarship. In 2013, she won the Law and Society Association Article Award for her law review article, "Misdemeanors." Her other awards include two Outstanding Scholarship Awards from the American Association of Law Schools (AALS) Criminal Justice Section, selection by the Stanford/Yale Junior Faculty Forum and honorable mention in the AALS Scholarly Papers Competition.

"My hope is to be part of an ongoing, deepening dialogue on this behemoth—this misdemeanor process that affects so many Americans, that shapes criminal justice in so many ways," she said. Her original work on criminal informants has made Natapoff a nationally recognized expert in the field. She has testified before Congress, and her book *Snitching* won the 2010 ABA Silver Gavel Award Honorable Mention for Books. She runs Snitching.org, an online resource for related litigation, policy and scholarship.

In 2012, Natapoff spent the summer at NYU School of Law as a Scholar-in-Residence. She was elected to the American Law Institute in 2007; and she is quoted frequently by major media outlets.

• MY HOPE IS TO BE PART OF AN ONGOING, DEEPENING DIALOGUE THAT AFFECTS SO MANY AMERICANS....



ALEXANDRA NATAPOFF, Associate Dean

- BA: Yale University
- JD: Stanford Law School
- Joined Loyola Faculty in 2003 teaching Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure
- Assistant Federal Public Defender, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Baltimore
- Scholarship Focus: Criminal justice topics of underreported significance



**Priya Sridharan** joined Loyola as associate dean for student affairs in June 2014. In her role, she oversees the Career Development Center, the Office of the Registrar and the Office of Student Affairs.

"I really enjoy working with students, faculty and staff members to help each student have an optimal academic and professional development experience," she said. "I am excited to do this work at Loyola, home to an engaged and caring faculty, thoughtful leaders and a diverse and dedicated group of students."

Sridharan transitioned to Loyola after nearly a decade at the USC Gould School of Law, where she served as dean of students and director of career services. There, she spearheaded efforts to equip students with career management and development skills and helped develop innovative counseling



BA: University of Maryland, College Park JD: University of California, Berkeley Staff Member of the Year

- Award Recipient from students at USC Gould School of Law
- Former Deputy City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney for the City of Los Angeles
- Former Staff Attorney, Asian Pacific American Legal Center

programs to support job-seeking students in a changing market.

Before entering academia, Sridharan practiced law in the private, nonprofit and government sectors. As a deputy city attorney in LA, she advised elected and appointed officials on ethics and rules of process and oversaw special projects. She also managed redistricting efforts for both community leaders (on behalf of the Asian Pacific American Legal Center) and elected officials (as legislative deputy to then-LA City Council member Eric Garcetti).

I REALLY ENJOY WORKING WITH STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS TO HELP EACH STUDENT HAVE AN OPTIMAL ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE.

# NEW CENTER DIRECTOR

FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER **SEAN KENNEDY '89** LEADS LOYOLA'S CENTER FOR JUVENILE LAW & POLICY

**Sean Kennedy '89**, the former Federal Public Defender for the Central District of California, joined Loyola Law School as the Kaplan and Feldman Executive Director of its Center for Juvenile Law and Policy (CJLP) in the fall 2014 semester.

Kennedy is the second executive director of the CJLP, succeeding Cyn Yamashiro '93, who left last year to form a private practice.

"With its focus on high-quality representation of children in delinquency proceedings and returning the juvenile justice system to its original purpose of rehabilitation, the CJLP is the perfect place to advocate for social change and inspire and train the next generation of public defenders and public-interest lawyers," said Kennedy.

As an adjunct professor for more than 15 years, Kennedy has taught Appellate Advocacy and the Death Penalty Law Seminar at the Law School. He has coached the Byrne Trial Advocacy Team and received the Fidler Institute Award for Defense Lawyer of the Year from Loyola. In 2013, Kennedy was named Criminal Defense Attorney of the Year by the Los Angeles County Bar Association. He is also a recipient of the Public Interest Award by Loyola's Public Interest Law Foundation.



▶ Read more about the 10-year anniversary of the CJLP on page 31.

# RETIRING PROFESSORS

Over the course of her 25 years as the director of Loyola's Externship Department, **Barbara Blanco** has facilitated externship positions for more than 8,000 Loyola students in judicial chambers, government agencies and public-interest law firms.

"Often this exposure was the first for these law students in a professional legal work environment, and so many students returned to thank me and let me know it was a game changer for them," said Blanco. "I will miss that the most—when students return with thanks and appreciation." She will also miss her office staff and colleagues at Loyola.

Other accomplishments include her work as a founding member of the Greater Los Angeles Consortium on Externships. The consortium consists of the externship directors from nine ABA-accredited law schools in the Los Angeles and Orange County areas. Together, they



**BA & JD:** University of California, Los Angeles **Joined Loyola faculty in 1989** and has taught Animal Law, Ethical Lawyering, Legal Problems of the Poor and Trial Advocacy

**Favorite Class to Teach:** I loved teaching Ethical Lawyering. It is a privilege to pass down the knowledge that encourages professionalism in all lawyers, and during my 25 years, that privilege was never lost on me.

### thank you for your service

adopted uniform standards for field supervisors to effectively supervise off-campus externs.

"Long before the current focus on practical training for law students, Barbara was working to make sure our graduates were ready to practice. Her wonderful sense of humor and caring approach made students line up to talk to her," said Professor Sande Buhai, director of the Public Interest Law Department.

Blanco believes that "lawyers never stop lawyering." She plans to get involved in nonprofits and assist juveniles held in immigration detention. She also looks forward to spending time with her beloved pets, including her elderly pony.

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#### CHARLOTTE GOLDBERG

- BA: Connecticut College
- JD: Georgetown University Law Center
- Joined Loyola Faculty in 1981 and has taught Civil Procedure, Community Property Seminar, Family Law and Marital Property
- Favorite Class to Teach: Marital Property was my absolute favorite because I felt it really helped students to face the California Bar Exam and it gave them important information about their own lives, whether married or not.

Professor **Charlotte Goldberg** was known as much for her scholarship and legal commentary beyond campus as for her teaching innovations in the classroom. As a tool to teach one of the cornerstones of civil procedure, she invented *Erie* Jeopardy, during which students were queried on elements of law dictated by the landmark decision in *Erie Railroad Co. v. Thompkins*.

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Outside the classroom, Goldberg was a prolific scholar on civil procedure and family law issues. Her legal scholarship on those subjects appeared in such places as the *Emory Law Journal*, the *U.C. Davis Law Review* and the *William & Mary Journal of Women & the Law*. She also helped distill complex legal issues for members of the public, providing commentary for such high-profile stories as the divorce between LA Dodgers owners Frank and Jamie McCourt.

In her 33 years at Loyola, Goldberg is most proud of the lasting bonds she formed with the people around her. "My time at Loyola Law School was special because of the people: the students, the staff and my colleagues. Loyola cares!" she said. "I feel fortunate to have spent my formative years in such a supportive environment and feel that my career as a teacher and writer blossomed because of the freedom that was given to me to pursue my interests. I will especially miss all my friends at Loyola Law School."



# NEWLY TENURED PROFESSORS

Professor **Justin Levitt** has played a major role in the development of Loyola's curriculum and has influenced legislation on a federal and state level as a national expert in constitutional law and the law of democracy.

"I have a deep respect for my students, and a firm belief that I'm not doing my job if they aren't challenged to think, and think hard, about the law and their place in the legal profession," said Levitt. "I'm constantly adjusting the way that I teach, to better engage students who learn best in different modes, and to connect classroom lessons to real legal practice."

Levitt has published in the Harvard Law Review, the Yale Law and Policy Review and the Georgetown Law Journal among others. He has been invited to testify before committees of the U.S. Senate, the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and both federal and state courts. His research has been cited extensively in the media and the courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court.



JUSTIN LEVITT

- BA: Harvard College
- JD /MPA: Harvard Law School / Harvard Kennedy School
- Joined Loyola faculty in 2010 teaching Constitutional Law, Law of the Political Process and Criminal Procedure
- Favorite Class to Teach: I have the great fortune to teach the Constitution start to finish, from "We the People" to the 27th Amendment.



- JD: LUISS University, Rome, Italy
- LLM and JSD: UC Berkeley School of Law
- Joined Loyola faculty in 2010 teaching Civil Procedure, California Civil Procedure and Federal Courts
- Favorite Class to Teach: I love all my classes for different reasons. I love teaching and forming the younger students in Civil Procedure. They are demanding but enthusiastic. I love Federal Courts for its complexities and many nuances.

Forum non-conveniens. Purposeful availment. Personal jurisdiction. Professor **Simona Grossi** relishes the core principles of civil procedure and has dedicated her academic career to understanding, teaching and advancing their underpinnings.

Armed with years of experience at Italy's largest law firm, Grossi originally came to the U.S. to compare American civil procedure with that in her home country. The project transformed into a passion, and she pursued a JSD after receiving her LLM from UC Berkeley School of Law.

Since joining the Loyola faculty, Grossi has been a prolific scholar. Her work on the underpinnings of civil procedure has appeared in the University of Pittsburgh Law Review, the Washington Law Review and the Tulane Law Review. She is also the author of several books, including Federal Courts with frequent collaborator Allan Ides '79, and The U.S. Supreme Court and the Modern Common Law Approach to the Decision Making Process.

# NEW CENTER DIRECTOR

### REBECCA DELFINO SERVES AS DIRECTOR OF EXTERNSHIPS

**Rebecca Delfino** wears several hats at the Law School: She teaches Appellate Advocacy and Introduction to Negotiations, advises the Scott Moot Court Program and leads the Externship Department as its new director.

Delfino plans to address the current economic climate by preparing Loyola students to be practice-ready upon graduation. "The practice and business of the law has experienced great changes over the last decade and with that, the expectation of employers has also changed," she said. "Externships are more important than ever for students."

To provide more opportunities for Loyola students, Delfino hopes to expand externship options across the board by taking advantage of the Law School's central location. She will explore new opportunities in the Los Angeles area, including municipal and county government, state agency offices and private placement. Delfino will also target state and federal courts, both at the trial and appellate level.

### In 2013-2014, the Externship Department placed:

 255 students in judicial chambers, public interest law firms and government agencies
 More than 20 students in federal clerkships





# ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS: ENSURING WHAT'S NEXT FOR STUDENTS IS FINANCIAL RELIEF

Jeri Okamoto Floyd '87 
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### HOW DID BEING A SCHOLARSHIP **RECIPIENT AFFECT YOUR LAW** SCHOOL EXPERIENCE?

When I was offered the scholarship in 1984, I will admit that what I first saw in front of me were dollar signs and financial relief. But, I came to appreciate its greater significance. The scholarship enabled me to pursue my dream of a legal education at a fine institution without incurring exorbitant debt. It also changed my perspective as a student going through school, and as a graduate. I recognized that Loyola Law School wasn't just giving me dollars for school, they were investing in me, with hopes that I would be a successful student and would go out into the world and use that education to be of service to the legal profession and to others.

### HOW DO YOU THINK THE **CULTURE OF PHILANTHROPY** HAS CHANGED SINCE YOU ATTENDED SCHOOL? ARE THERE ANY CHANGES YOU SEE FOR YOUR CHILDREN?

I was proud that Loyola Law School was the first California law school with a pro bono service requirement for graduation. I see that many other schools have now followed this lead. Everyone at any age may contribute in any amount to institutions, organizations and causes they believe in. My daughter's high school graduating class of 2014 had 100 percent alumna participation with gifts of less than \$20 per student; they were being introduced to the concept of supporting the next generation of students through annual giving. My husband Dan and I have tried to

connect the dots for our daughters by involving them in our donation decisions, and raising their consciousness about gratitude and how we can be a blessing to others.

# WHY DID YOU CHOOSE TO ENDOW A SCHOLARSHIP?

My family has endowed a scholarship to pay back the scholarship I received and to pay it forward. I am grateful that my family now has the resources to do this. We hope that another Loyola student, like me, will be able to realize the law school dream and also have the flexibility to pursue his or her calling in a career area—such as public service-that may not be an option if they have significant law school debt. The scholarship endowment is also an investment in the

future stewardship of Loyola Law School and our community.

# WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO YOUR FIRST SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT?

Through this scholarship, may your law school journey be made more meaningful and less financially burdensome. May you not lose sight of the once-in-a-lifetime moments during law school by focusing too much on the horizon. May you find your passion and have the courage to pursue it, even if it means going against the mainstream current. May you strive to be a positive representative of Lovola Law School as a student, a lawyer and a lifetime advocate. May you find fulfillment in the pursuit of justice and give back to Loyola as you are able.

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# What Your Lovola Legacy

For more information regarding The Casassa Legacy Society please contact **Thanh Hoang**, assistant dean for advancement, at (213) 736-1025 or Thanh.Hoang@lls.edu. REMEMBERING LOYOLA IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS carries the Law School's traditions forward and helps provide for the next generation of students.

The Casassa Legacy Society, established in 1966 and named in honor of LMU's 10th president, Charles S. Casassa, S.J., recognizes alumni, parents and friends of the school who have designated a gift either in their estate plans or through one of our life income arrangements.

If you have already included Loyola in your estate plans, please let us know so we can welcome you to the Casassa Legacy Society. If you have not yet made a bequest provision or a planned gift for Loyola and would like to discuss your Loyola legacy, please contact us. Loyola Law School Loyola Marymount University 919 Albany Street Los Angeles, CA 90015



# HELP US REACH OUR 50 250 GOALS BY

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# NEW JURIS SOCIETY MEMBERS

Donors of \$2,500 or more to the Juris Fund will become members of the Juris Society, will be invited to special events throughout the year and will be recognized in the donor *Honor Roll* and other publications.

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Honor 50 Years at Albany by giving \$50. You can designate your gift to a specific program, clinic or scholarship that you feel passionate about, or you can give to the Juris Fund, which supports the school's greatest needs. Regardless of the designation, your contributions will help Loyola. Every gift counts! MAKE YOUR END OF YEAR GIFT TODAY Ils.edu/giving