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I am proud that UCLA School of Law was the first in the country to create a research center focused on sexual orientation and the law. Over the past 15 years the Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy, whose research is cited in virtually every judicial opinion about gay marriage, has played a signal role in spurring civil rights advances for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people across the country and the globe. The Williams Institute also has become the leading incubator for an emerging field of study while creating remarkable opportunities for our students. Our cover article chronicles this remarkable story.

Intellectual engagement and real-world impact also are in plentiful supply in our Supreme Court Clinic. Astonishingly, the clinic wrote briefs on the merits in four U.S. Supreme Court cases in the 2015-16 term, giving students a view of the High Court that few practitioners ever see.

In fact, examples abound, both in these pages and around the law school, of impact and intellectual engagement. This year, a group of UCLA Law students helped persuade President Obama to grant clemency to a prisoner serving a life sentence for a nonviolent drug crime. Another student helped launch a medical device company that can dramatically reduce discomfort and costs for elderly patients. His team won $100,000 in the inaugural Lowell Milken Institute-Sandler Prize for New Entrepreneurs, a contest designed to spur entrepreneurship across the university.

At root, our community — and our commitment to going beyond the ordinary and challenging each other — fosters our core values. Our remarkably dedicated faculty teach classes in their homes as well as in our halls. Our highly-engaged alumni, now 16,000 strong, are living examples of engagement and impact. Events ranging from our all-school happy hours to our upcoming UCLA Law Women LEAD summit with Chief Justice of the State of California Tani Cantil-Sakauye and other accomplished women in the law — many of them alumni — play a big role.

I am so grateful to be part of this community in which intellectual engagement and real-world impact are not just ideals, but intrinsic to what we do and who we are.

Warmly,

Jennifer L. Mnookin
Dean and David G. Price and Dallas P. Price Professor of Law
91.3
The percentage of 2015 graduates working in full-time, long-term Bar Required and J.D. Advantage jobs by 10 months after graduation.

5,353
The number of first-year J.D. applicants in 2016-17.

291
The number of first-years enrolled in 2016-17.

13
The number of tenured faculty members ranked among the most cited in their fields. UCLA Law is 8th among all U.S. law schools for its number of ranked faculty.

5
U.S. News and World Report’s national ranking for UCLA’s environmental law program, led by the Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment.

1
The Hollywood Reporter’s ranking of UCLA Law for its entertainment law program, anchored by the new Ziffren Center for Media, Entertainment, Technology and Sports Law.
DRIVING PROGRESS IN LGBT LAW AND POLICY
The Williams Institute at 15

In 2001, UCLA Law launched the Williams Institute, the first law school-based center to focus on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy. Fifteen years later, the institute continues to blaze new trails, produce rigorous, independent research and develop the next generation of scholars in the field.
Start 'Em Up
Student start-up company wins $100,000 in inaugural LMI-Sandler Prize
An intimate conversation with a Supreme Court justice is a rare opportunity, one that several UCLA School of Law students enjoyed when United States Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer visited the school in September 2015.

First, Justice Breyer participated in a wide-ranging dialogue with Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin before a packed audience of several hundred students and faculty at UCLA Law’s Hugh and Hazel Darling Law Library in the kick-off of the Conversations with the Dean series. Afterwards, about a dozen lucky students joined the justice, Dean Mnookin, and several faculty members for an informal conversation and a private lunch.

Students, who were selected to meet with Justice Breyer based on an application and a short essay on why they sought to participate, said the visit was inspiring.

“Meeting Justice Breyer was a thrilling experience in many ways,” said Julio Oyhanarte ’16, who participated in the lunch gathering. “My grandfather was a Supreme Court Justice in Argentina, and knowing another justice brought back fond memories. It is an honor to be part of a university that invites one of the most important judges in the world, a guardian of the Constitution — proving once again that studying law is not only reading law books, but also knowing the people behind the law books.”

Cat Zhang ’17, managing editor for UCLA Law Review, said, “He was not only insightful, funny and engaging, but also genuinely interested in having a conversation with us.”

The justice even took time to pose for a cellphone photo with every student.

During his Q & A with Dean Mnookin, Justice Breyer, who was named to the Court by President Bill Clinton in 1994, offered his thoughts on the significance of education in a global society, his relationships with his fellow jurists and the role of politics in the Court.

Justice Breyer said the Court provides a unique vantage point to consider the topic of globalization. He emphasized that the problems that lawyers will address in years to come are increasingly generated by a world that is interdependent and interconnected.

Education is a global necessity, he said, particularly for women. “Many of the problems that face us will be lessened, if perhaps not solved, by women in many countries getting an education,” he said. “I can think of very few things that are more important.”

He also touched on the collegial relationships he shares with his fellow jurists on a Court that some perceive to be riven by competing ideologies. “I’ve never heard, in that conference room, one judge raise his voice in anger about another. It just doesn’t happen,” he said.

The visit was the second to UCLA Law for Justice Breyer.

A video of “Conversations with the Dean: Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer” can be viewed at YouTube.com/UCLASchoolofLaw.
Epstein Program Students Help Earn Clemency for Inmate

UCLA School of Law students played a key role in unlocking the prison doors for Darnell Crookshank, who had served 20 years of a life sentence in prison after being convicted for a nonviolent drug crime.

On Aug. 3, President Barack Obama commuted Crookshank’s sentence and those of 213 other prisoners in an historic use of the powers of executive clemency to address injustices caused by outdated mandatory minimum sentencing laws.

Crookshank’s clemency petition was researched, drafted and submitted by students working in the school’s Criminal Defense Clinic under the guidance of professors Ingrid Eagly and Julie Cramer. Part of UCLA School of Law’s Clinical and Experiential Learning Program, the clinic provides an advanced setting to integrate knowledge of the law with the challenge of working with real clients and complying with professional obligations.

“Representing Mr. Crookshank was the most valuable experience we had in law school,” said Jessica Hanson ’16, who worked intensely on the case before she graduated in May. “By meeting and learning from Mr. Crookshank, we are better people, and we believe we will be better lawyers.”

Andrés Dae Keun Kwon ’16, who also played a key role in developing the petition, said, “A sentence of life without parole would strip most any person of hope. But Mr. Crookshank kept hope alive for over 20 years, so that one day he could be reunited with his family. His hopefulness and resilience in the face of immense adversity are truly inspiring.”

Six other students in the clinic — Oscar Figueroa ’16, Laura Lopez Montero ’16, Rachel Lorber ’16, Han Lu ’16, Brittanía Poon ’16 and Alexandria Ruiz ’16 — contributed to Crookshank’s petition.

The clinic collaborated with Los Angeles criminal defense attorney and UCLA Law lecturer Peter Johnson, who was acting pro bono on the case originally referred by the Office of the Federal Public Defender. Students also helped develop a reentry plan that will assist Crookshank in transitioning successfully to life outside of prison. Crookshank is scheduled to be released in December 2016.

“The harsh life sentence imposed in Mr. Crookshank’s case erodes public trust in our criminal justice system,” Professor Eagly said. “I could not think of more important work for our Criminal Defense Clinic to pursue than helping to win his freedom.”

Hanson and Kwon, both graduates of the law school’s David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy and the Critical Race Studies Program, will continue to work as public interest attorneys in Los Angeles. Hanson is the recipient of a Skadden Fellowship at the National Immigration Law Center. Kwon is an Equal Justice Works Emerson Fellow at the ACLU of Southern California.
Kenneth Ziffren ’65 Makes $5M Gift to Support Center on Entertainment Law

With a transformative $5 million gift from Hollywood powerbroker Kenneth Ziffren ’65, UCLA School of Law has established the Ziffren Center for Media, Entertainment, Technology and Sports Law. The center enables the law school — already home to one of the top-rated programs in the country for the study of entertainment and media law — to expand its offerings in this arena through curricular innovations, research support, new programming and hands-on skills training that will benefit students, faculty and the larger community.

A founding partner of leading firm Ziffren Brittenham, Ziffren is one of the most respected attorneys working in entertainment. He has negotiated far-reaching TV distribution deals, spearheaded the agreement that ended the 1988 Writers Guild strike and helped to create the premium pay television service Starz. L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti acknowledged Ziffren’s influence in 2014, naming him the city’s official “film czar.”

“Since graduating from the law school, I have been deeply committed both to UCLA Law School and to the advancement of the entertainment industry. I know I have benefited greatly from my UCLA Law experience.”

“We are so fortunate to count Ken among our most dedicated supporters and distinguished alumni,” says UCLA Law Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin. “He was a remarkable student here — at the top of his class, editor in chief of UCLA Law Review and a law clerk after graduation to Chief Justice Earl Warren. His career in media and entertainment law has been equally remarkable, and throughout he has given back to our institution so generously with his time, wisdom, knowledge and philanthropy. Now, with this extraordinary and inspirational gift, he both cements and ensures UCLA Law’s preeminence in media and entertainment law.”

Ziffren has long been one of the law school’s most devoted supporters. An adjunct professor at the school since 1998, he currently teaches the popular Motion Picture Distribution seminar. He is a member of the UCLA School of Law Campaign Cabinet and serves on the UCLA School of Law Board of Advisors. He also served as chair of the five-year 2008-2013 fundraising campaign for UCLA School of Law, which raised more than $110 million.

“Since graduating from the law school, I have been deeply committed both to UCLA Law School and to the advancement of the entertainment industry. I know I have benefited greatly from my UCLA Law experience — as a student, as a member of the faculty and as an involved member of the alumni community,” Ziffren says. “It’s very gratifying to be able to extend support to the next generation of leaders and to help guarantee that the law school’s center will continue to be the best in the nation.”

Susan Akens, executive director of the Ziffren Center, says Ziffren’s gift will enable initiatives ranging from new courses and cutting-edge symposia to additional mentorships and training opportunities. “Ken truly sets the standard to which we all aspire, both personally and professionally,” she says. “He’s often referred to as the ‘dean of entertainment lawyers,’ and it’s impossible to imagine a more fitting name to grace our center than his.”
The UCLA Law Firm Challenge had a record year in 2016, raising nearly $3 million to support UCLA Law students and programs. Challenge Chair James D.C. Barrall ’75, a partner at Latham & Watkins, helped launch the friendly annual competition in 2002, when just four firms participated. In the fiscal year that ended June 30, UCLA Law alumni from 100 firms made a total of 1,038 gifts to provide $2,970,000 to their alma mater. In all, 78% of alumni at the firms participated.

Barrall has said the main goal of the program, in which participating lawyers also mentor students and take part in networking activities, is to deepen ties between the school and local firms. At 61 of the participating firms, all UCLA Law alumni made a gift. This year, for the first time, the school recognized with a gold star the firms in which half or more of the partners who are UCLA Law alumni made leadership gifts of $1,000 or more. Twenty-three firms achieved gold-star status.

In 2015, 101 firms participated, 58 saw full participation and the total raised was about $1.1 million.
UCLA Law Receives Rose L. Schiff Commitment to Justice Award from Bet Tzedek

UCLA School of Law is the first law school to receive the Rose L. Schiff Commitment to Justice Award from Bet Tzedek, one of the nation’s premier public interest legal services organizations. The school was honored for its extraordinary service in January, at Bet Tzedek’s Annual Dinner Gala.

UCLA School of Law has collaborated with Bet Tzedek on several innovative initiatives to help the most vulnerable in society while providing critical experiential learning opportunities to the next generation of legal advocates. Students have worked with Bet Tzedek’s Right to Health project to provide free legal services to low-income patients at St. Francis and St. Vincent hospitals. Bet Tzedek and UCLA Law are partners in both the Los Angeles HIV Law and Policy Project, which is housed at the law school, and the Los Angeles Incubator Consortium, which supports law school graduates pursuing solo practices in service to clients of modest means. The partnership also worked together on the Employment Rights Project, which represents low-wage workers in wage theft and human trafficking cases.

“Bet Tzedek is a remarkable institution, and I deeply admire both its reach and dedication,” UCLA School of Law Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin said. “We are tremendously honored by this award. Our partnerships with Bet Tzedek have contributed greatly to our students learning while simultaneously giving back to Los Angeles and its neediest residents in profound and tangible ways.”

Kornberg is a founding board member of UCLA Law Women LEAD, a network of law school alumnae aimed at empowering and supporting female graduates throughout their professional lives. During law school, she was editor in chief of the Women’s Law Journal and articles editor for the Journal of Sexual Orientation Law. She was also the Helena Rubenstein Foundation Fellow at Legal Momentum, the legal defense and education fund for the National Organization for Women. After law school, she served as a judicial clerk to the Honorable Jon Phipps McCalla, Chief Judge of the Western District of Tennessee, in Memphis, and then was executive director of the advocacy group Ms. J.D. She holds a B.A. from Columbia University.

In August UCLA Law alumna Jessie Kornberg ’07, president and CEO of Bet Tzedek, received the American Bar Association’s On the Rise: Top 40 Young Lawyers Award for 2016. The ABA gives the award to 40 exceptional lawyers who exemplify “high achievement, innovation, vision, leadership and legal and community service.”

“As president of Bet Tzedek, Kornberg has overseen its expansion into low-income tax law, HIV/AIDS law and policy, and work on behalf of unaccompanied immigrant children.
UCLA Law Awards 26 Fellowships in Public Service

UCLA School of Law awarded 26 postgraduate fellowships, including 19 inaugural University of California President’s Public Service Law Fellowships, to 2016 graduates committed to practicing law in service to the public. The awards are for one-year terms and include stipends of $45,000 as well as funding to help defray bar exam expenses. The fellowships enable graduates to work on behalf of underserved individuals, communities and causes, as well as in a variety of government positions.

“These fellowships are critical because they enable our graduates to break into the field of public interest law and secure positions with top public interest employers where job opportunities are scarce because funding is so limited,” said Ingrid Eagly, professor and faculty director of the David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy. “The availability of these fellowships furthers our mission of being one of the top law schools in the country to place students in public interest legal careers. We have found that these positions not only give our students a first foot in the door, but also lead to long-term positions in the students’ areas of interest.”

University of California President Janet Napolitano announced the generous new system-wide support for public interest fellowships at a visit to UCLA School of Law in April for a forum sponsored by the American Constitution Society.

The UC Office of the President will award $4.5 million for the fellowships annually to make public service-oriented postgraduate work and summer positions more accessible to promising students at four UC law schools — UCLA, UC Berkeley, UC Davis and UC Irvine.

“Lawyers who serve the public interest can use the power of the law to effect positive change and strengthen our democracy,” Napolitano said. “For the benefit of California and the nation, we want to foster the public service careers of more UC-educated legal scholars.”

In addition to the 19 inaugural UC President’s Public Service Law Fellowships, funding for seven additional UCLA Law public service fellowships was provided by the school’s David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy, Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, cy pres funds, and generous gifts from The Ahmanson Foundation and alumna Margaret Levy ’75.

Recipients of this year’s public service fellowships will work at distinguished non-profit organizations and government agencies including the National Immigration Law Center; Lawyers’ Committee for Civil Rights; The Bronx Defenders; ACLU of Southern California; Bras-Ouverts in Benin, Africa; California Department of Justice; International Justice Resource Center; Alliance for Children’s Rights; and UNESCO in Samoa, among other entities.

UCLA Law has a long-standing tradition of promoting service among its students. Students provide legal assistance to criminal defendants, asylum seekers, tribes, veterans, civil and human rights organizations and environmental justice advocates. For more than 40 years, UCLA School of Law students have managed the El Centro Legal Clinics, one of the largest student-run legal volunteer efforts in the country.
UCLA Law Supreme Lands Four Cases on
The U.S. Supreme Court received 7,535 petitions to hear cases in the 2015-16 term. The justices agreed to take up only 82. UCLA School of Law Supreme Court Clinic wrote briefs on the merits of four of those 82 cases, a remarkable feat for a group of just six law students working under the guidance of Stuart Banner, UCLA’s Norman Abrams Professor of Law.

UCLA School of Law launched its Supreme Court Clinic in 2011. The clinic works with attorneys representing criminal defendants, immigration detainees and others who would otherwise be unlikely to afford a vigorous legal research team. Students gain a rare opportunity to learn first-hand about the inner workings of the High Court, collaborate with practicing lawyers from around the country and hone their research and writing skills in a high-stakes forum.

Banner clerked for Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Alex Kozinski ’75 and Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O’Connor before practicing law and then moving into academia. He guides the students, edits their work and plays a pivotal role in identifying suitable cases. Through the class, students examine strategies for getting a petition granted or denied; identify tactical approaches to preparing briefs and oral arguments; observe moot courts held at UCLA Law with the lawyers who will actually argue the cases; discuss the cases with faculty experts in the appropriate areas of law; and prepare petitions and — when granted — briefs on the merits.

“They do research. They write the documents we file with the Court. They help decide what cases we’re going to take. Basically everything that I do, they do, too,” said Banner, who co-teaches the clinic with Munger, Tolles & Olson partner Fred Rowley.

“The level of care that goes into a case at the Supreme Court is typically a lot higher than in the lower courts,” he added. “The clinic presents a chance to spend a lot of time working on a case, and to get really deep into it.”

When he is wearing his more traditional academic hat, Banner is primarily a legal historian, and an enormously productive one. He has published eight books, on topics ranging from the death penalty to the antitrust exemption in Major League Baseball, and is an award-winning teacher of the first-year property class. Equally at home in the archives and in the trenches of brief writing, Banner is a big fan of making clinical and experiential courses part of the student experience.
“Students should take as many clinical classes as possible,” Banner said. “There’s only so much you can learn in the classroom. You really have to get out there and start doing it.”

The clinic’s remarkable success in getting cases before the Court in 2015-16 is a product of years of laying the groundwork and collaborating with practitioners from around the country.

Banner began to help public defenders in Missouri with Supreme Court cases when he taught at Washington University School of Law in St. Louis, from 1993 to 2001. After Banner joined the UCLA Law faculty, Missouri public defenders continued to ask him for help, and he saw the opportunity to launch the clinic at UCLA.

To keep the clinic humming and expand its roster of cases, Banner did what many in the small and specialized Supreme Court bar do: He began identifying cases that exposed splits between the circuit courts of appeal and other cases that might be of interest to the High Court, and contacted counsel in those matters to offer the school’s support.

Today, he said, counsel who previously have partnered with the clinic are referring more cases.

“Having relationships with appellate lawyers allows us to get involved early, while cases are still in a state supreme court or a federal court of appeals, so we can help frame the issues in a way that will set the stage for a cert petition if one ends up being necessary,” Banner said.

Rowley’s firm, Munger, Tolles & Olson, also collaborates with the clinic, and Banner has struck up a relationship with the public defenders in Montana that is similar to the partnership with Missouri defense lawyers.

In addition to establishing strong relationships with practitioners, Banner acknowledged that the clinic’s success in 2015-16 stemmed from the fact that “we just got some good cases.”

For example, Heffernan v. City of Paterson involved a police detective who was demoted for “overt involvement” in a political campaign after he was seen picking up a political sign for a mayoral candidate. Jeffrey Heffernan, who obtained the sign at the request of his bedridden mother, sought to appeal his demotion on First Amendment grounds. But the city successfully argued at trial and on appeal that Heffernan was not engaging in political association by picking up the sign for his mother, and so the First Amendment defense did not apply.

Clinic students helped draft the petition for certiorari and the brief on the merits for Heffernan, and Heffernan’s counsel, Mark Frost of Philadelphia, argued the case in January. In April, the justices voted 6-2 to reverse, with Justice Stephen Breyer writing for the majority.

The Court granted petitions and considered briefs on the merits developed at the clinic in two other UCLA Law clinic cases, a sentencing matter, Betterman v. Montana, and an immigration case, Torres v. Lynch. In one search-and-seizure case, Utah v. Strieff, UCLA Law students drafted the brief opposing certiorari, and went on to write a brief on the merits when the Court accepted the case.

The UCLA Supreme Court Clinic offers counsel significant support in writing briefs, developing strategy and preparing for argument. The clinic does not seek to replace counsel in actually arguing the case, a fact that distinguishes it sharply from some members of the Supreme Court bar at major firms, who may...
be willing to take on cases pro bono, but only if they can also argue them. Frost said several law school clinics and private firms contacted him after the Third Circuit Court of Appeals ruled against his client in Heffernan. The factors that influenced his decision to work with the UCLA Supreme Court Clinic included Banner’s Supreme Court expertise; the presence on faculty of First Amendment expert Eugene Volokh, the school’s Gary T. Schwartz Distinguished Professor of Law, who agreed to consult on the case; and the school’s flexibility in working with Frost on arguments and strategy.

“I’d been living with this case for the last seven or eight years, and the case had an unusual procedural history,” Frost said. “It was important to me that I feel comfortable with someone. The UCLA Clinic was the only one I seriously considered.”

In Utah v. Strieff, Salt Lake City attorney Joan Watt said it was crucial to her office that the clinic offered to help while not seeking to argue before the Court.

“I am a career appellate public defender and it was important to our office that I not hand off the case,” Watt said. “Thirty-five of our lawyers traveled to Washington, D.C., to see the argument, and we structured numerous CLE seminars around the experience. We would not have selected a clinic that did not allow me to argue the case.

“Stuart knows a lot about the Supreme Court, and is committed to doing quality work,” Watt added. “He works fast and responds quickly. Working with Stuart was a very positive experience.”

Both Watt and Frost said they have referred or will refer other cases to the clinic.

When the clinic gets a case, students throw themselves into the research. Adam Lloyd ’15, who served as a clerk for Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Carlos Bea in 2015–16, has said that the research and writing he did on Torres prepared him for his work at the court of appeals.

“I was interested to work on this case to gain exposure to immigration issues that I would encounter when I started clerking,” he said recently. “Getting to draft cert petitions is not something that many lawyers have the opportunity to do in their careers, so I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity while still in law school.”

The clinic, he said, “was my favorite course I took at UCLA.”

Once each term, students in the clinic travel to Washington, D.C., and watch oral arguments. But they also get a taste of the arguments at the A. Barry Cappello Courtroom at UCLA Law.

“Any time a lawyer in Southern California has an argument before the Supreme Court, which is maybe two or three times a year, we’ll do a moot court here,” Banner said. “I’ll get experienced lawyers and some of my faculty colleagues to be judges. The students will watch, and they discuss the case with the lawyers afterwards. This year, we were able to do it in our own cases.”

Banner recognizes, as do the students, that very few attorneys get to build their practices around advocating before the Supreme Court. That makes the opportunity the clinic provides all the sweeter.

“If you are at a law firm or in any kind of legal practice, it is a pretty rare experience to work on a Supreme Court case,” said Banner. “I think it is pretty cool to be able to do that when you are in law school.”

Stuart Banner, UCLA’s Norman Abrams Professor of Law, and Supreme Court Clinic students use classroom time to examine strategies for preparing petitions, briefs and arguments before the High Court.
THE WILLIAMS INSTITUTE AT 15
Driving Progress in LGBT Law and Policy

In June of 2015, when the Supreme Court affirmed that the Constitution guarantees same-sex couples the right to marry, Justice Anthony Kennedy, writing for the majority in Obergefell v. Hodges, referenced an amicus brief filed by the Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy at the UCLA School of Law. It was a gratifying moment for the institute and UCLA — and yet, the citation by Justice Kennedy was not unexpected.

Although founded just 15 years ago, the Williams Institute already has achieved significant standing. In courts and legislatures, it is seen as the preeminent source for empirical research pertaining to LGBT law and policy. Within academic and policy circles, it is a launching pad for scholars and thought leaders who play influential roles in universities, think tanks and public policy organizations across the country. As the legal battle for gay marriage played out in courts, Williams Institute research was cited in a number of key state Supreme Court cases and hundreds of times in major media outlets.

The genesis of the institute traces to the generosity of a veteran businessman and his desire to create lasting change. Chuck Williams BA ’57 MBA ’58 is the former president of the Sperry Corporation, the electronics giant that later merged with Unisys and Honeywell. In 1999, when Williams began thinking about his will, he decided to devote a portion of his estate to furthering social good.

“Bias against gays and lesbians was everywhere,” Williams recalls. “It was embedded in legislatures, courts, businesses, media — anywhere you looked.”

Williams and his longtime partner Stu Walter talked about what form the gift should take. They started doing research online and learned that one of the nation’s leading experts on sexual orientation and gender identity law, Professor Bill Rubenstein, taught at UCLA School of Law. Williams contacted UCLA and — working with Rubenstein and other faculty members — gave shape to the idea for the Williams Institute. Since the stereotypes of gay and lesbian people were supported by false assertions, the founders reasoned that if those assertions were replaced with accurate information, then the stereotypes, and the laws and policies they engendered, could gradually be transformed.

Williams says he considered working with other law schools such as Stanford University or Harvard University. But after
a series of meetings with faculty and senior leadership at UCLA, it became clear that UCLA Law was the right spot. The decision was based on the strength of the expertise of the UCLA Law faculty, which included Rubenstein — the author of the first law school casebook on LGBT issues — as well as professors Chris Littleton, Devon Carbado, Ken Karst and Jesse Dukeminier, all of whom had expertise in the area; the enthusiastic support of then-UCLA Law School Dean Jonathan Varat and then-UCLA Chancellor Albert Carnesale; and UCLA School of Law’s tradition of innovation and excellence.

Williams’ initial gift to create the institute was $2.5 million, at that time the largest donation ever for an academic program focused on LGBT people or issues. To date, he has given almost $20 million to support the work of the institute.

Rubenstein became the center’s first faculty chair and Brad Sears became its first executive director. Both were honors graduates of Yale College and Harvard Law School, and experts on law and policy issues impacting LGBT people. Both had also practiced civil rights law, bringing a practical perspective to how research can inform and impact law and policy. They set about crafting the guidelines for the institute: The researchers would be scholars of the highest caliber. The institute would be multidisciplinary, bringing together experts in law, the social sciences and other relevant fields. And of paramount importance, the Williams Institute would be committed to objective research, not advocacy.

Two years later, after receiving a $500,000 grant from the Gill Foundation, the dream was firmly in place. The grant tripled the operating budget of the organization. Rubenstein and Sears were soon joined by Gary Gates, the institute’s first full-time researcher and the nation’s leading expert on the demographics of the LGBT population; and Professor Lee Badgett, an economist who had started the Institute of Gay and Lesbian Strategic Studies (IGLSS). Within two years, the Williams Institute and IGLSS merged, and Badgett became the Williams Institute’s first research director.

When the institute opened in 2001, myths about LGBT people were indeed pervasive. However, these claims could be tested against empirical facts. “Lawyers were making assertions in court,” Sears recalls, “and if those assertions aligned with the dominant stereotypes, they were mostly accepted as fact: ‘Gay people don’t have children so they don’t need marriage; if they do have children those children will be emotionally and psychologically confused; people in same-sex couples both have jobs so they don’t need marriage,’ and many others. Then a judge would essentially say ‘OK, that sounds accurate’ and rule accordingly.”

The LGBT population was mostly seen as monolithic — urban, white, childless, affluent. Over time, multiple studies by Williams Institute researchers deconstructed the monolith. They demonstrated that the LGBT population is distributed across all income brackets, is higher in racial and ethnic diversity than the U.S. population as a whole, and often has lower levels of education. And some 20 percent of gay couples have children.
“Our role is not to join with advocates to do the work of advocacy,” says Professor Douglas NeJaime, who was appointed the institute’s faculty director in 2015. “We don’t develop messaging or lobbying strategies. We don’t take positions on proposed laws. Our job is to produce credible research that illuminates reality and shows what the impact of a law might be.”

Mining data that show the world as it is has meant that the Williams Institute produces findings that sometimes disappoint, or even dismay, people in the LGBT community. Take, for example, the question of what percentage of the population is gay: For many years, most gay and straight people alike estimated the number at 10 percent.

“This was a meaningful number to people in gay communities,” notes Sears. “It bolstered the conviction that ‘We are a significant segment of the population. We’re a part of the world. We’re normal.’”

The convictions are well founded, but the data were not. In 2011, in a report by Gates that was based on multiple population-based surveys, the Williams Institute estimated that LGBT individuals comprised between 3.5 and 4 percent of the population.

“Initially, there were negative reactions in LGBT communities,” Sears recalls. “Gradually, however, the world adjusted. Today most people know the figure is 3.5 to 4 percent and are comfortable with it.”

The myth of affluence was likewise entrenched. Professor Badgett was instrumental in showing that LGBT people are over-represented among the poor and more likely to be underemployed or unemployed.

Williams Institute research also played an important role in laying the empirical foundation in support of gay marriage. It showed, for example, the economic benefits that could result for states that legalized gay marriage, and a number of Williams Institute studies showed that the children of gay parents had outcomes that paralleled those of straight parents.

For the Williams Institute, as with any part of academia, objectivity requires constant focus and vigilance.

“There is one arena in which the institute does engage in advocacy: data collection. The institute proactively urges governments at all levels to collect data on sexual orientation and gender identity. Through these efforts, today a number of federal and state surveys ask questions about sexual orientation and gender identity. When the institute started, none did.

The institute’s commitment to interdisciplinary research has been another pillar of its success. Because the faculty is so varied — it includes legal scholars, social scientists, economists, demographers and public health experts — the institute is able to address the legal, economic and social ramifications of proposed legislation. For example, Gates’ work on the demographics of LGBT parenthood was a significant component of the institute’s brief in Obergefell, the Supreme Court decision on same-sex marriage.

Today the Williams Institute has a faculty advisory committee that includes academics from law and the social sciences from across the UCLA campus and around the country. It also runs a judicial education program that provides international, federal and state judges and court personnel with in-depth training on legal issues impacting LGBT people.

While the institute has been involved in some high-visibility court cases, some of its most impactful work has been done out of the spotlight. For example, four years of institute research helped pave the way for Executive Order 13672, which prohibits discrimination by federal contractors and subcontractors. Signed by President Obama in 2015, the order impacts 24,000 companies that employ 28 million people, or about one-fifth of the nation’s workforce. It is the most sweeping action ever taken to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity in the U.S. workplace.

Along with its impact on law and policy, the Williams Institute has become a launching pad for talented scholars who are bringing...
the rigor and passion that characterized their work at the institute to other universities and national organizations. NeJaime, who became faculty director in 2015, is a former teaching fellow at the Williams Institute who went on to become a professor at UC Irvine and Loyola Law School before returning to UCLA Law. His teaching and writing has focused on the Constitution, legal ethics and marriage equality. In 2016 he is serving as the Martin R. Flug Visiting Professor of Law at Yale School, and in Spring 2017 he will be a visiting professor at Harvard Law School. Even with those obligations, he is maintaining close involvement with the Williams Institute.

“Doug’s exceptional research made him a natural to serve as faculty director of the institute,” says UCLA Law School Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin. “He is clearly a leader in the field with a vision for propelling the institute forward. When I chaired the appointments committee for the position, it was striking how nearly all the leading young scholars in the field had, like Doug, done a stint at the Williams Institute. For many of them, the institute was their launching pad.”

Other former Williams Institute fellows are making an impact elsewhere.

Former fellow Clifford Rosky joined the University of Utah’s S.J. Quinney College of Law as a professor of law. In Utah, he chaired the board of the state’s leading LGBT equality organization and was instrumental to the state passing a non-discrimination law that was supported by the community and the Mormon church.

Naomi Goldberg, another former Williams Institute fellow, leads LGBT-related policy and movement research at the Movement Advancement Project in Denver. Her work on key facets of LGBT communities, including families, older adults and economic security, has been widely published.

Laura Durso went on from her Williams Institute fellowship to become senior director of the LGBT Research and Communications Project at the Center for American Progress in Washington, D.C.

“The Williams Institute highly values empiricism, and that same value infuses our work,” Durso says. “The Williams Institute has really helped shape how the LGBT movement thinks about LGBT equality.”

Other former Williams Institute fellows are currently teaching at the University of San Francisco, SUNY Buffalo, the University of North Carolina, Arizona State University, Gonzaga University, Seattle University and the University of Wisconsin.

“We are extremely proud of the work our colleagues are doing,” Sears says. “The ripple effect of their work — their influence and impact on the field and the culture — is really quite substantial.”

The Williams Institute has also had a powerful impact on students interested in LGBT law. As a hub for cutting-edge research in the field, the institute attracts talented students.
from across the country, and sponsors fellowships and grant programs to fund student research efforts.

Along with the other myths assigned to LGBT people, there is a widespread belief that the community is centered in big cities, primarily on the east and west coasts. Once again, the stereotype dissolves when held up to the light of research. The South, for example, has a significant urban and rural LGBT population. NeJaime recently served as an expert witness in a case before the U.S. District Court in Mississippi challenging a law allowing clerks in the state to cite their religious beliefs as a reason to deny marriage licenses to gay couples.

“It was a deeply moving experience,” NeJaime says. “The judge was an African American with a civil rights legacy. The courtroom was packed with the local LGBT community. We saw the way these folks came out, how united they are, what good and courageous people they are.”

The relatively recent national focus on transgender people has provided the institute with another opportunity to do what it does best: introduce real-world data into a highly charged debate. As questions regarding gender and public bathrooms have raged in North Carolina, studies by Jody Herman, the institute’s manager of transgender research, contradict the notion that anti-discrimination measures increase sexual predators’ access to victims in bathrooms. In the Williams Institute spirit of empirical inquiry, Herman examined crime rates in jurisdictions that have anti-discrimination ordinances and those that don’t. She found that crime rates did not rise in areas where anti-discrimination ordinances had passed.

One of the corollaries of success is complexity. In its first year, the Williams Institute had one full-time faculty member and a budget of $100,000. Today the institute has 26 people on staff, a $4 million annual budget and a $30 million endowment.

“Our growth has opened up a number of exciting opportunities,” Sears observes. “There has been such a focus on LGBT issues in the last few years and an increased willingness on the part of policymakers, judges and the public to consider LGBT rights issues. The demand for and receptivity to our work is so much higher today than when we first started. And today we have a national reputation that courts, legislatures and the media trust.”

The institute now faces a question that would have seemed unthinkable before the rapid changes in LGBT law over the last 15 years: What’s next?

“When we ask what’s most critical for the future,” NeJaime says, “we are finding a significant commonality of issues across groups: poverty, criminal justice, family formation and parenting, transgender rights, the costs of discrimination, and aging and the LGBT population. The consensus of views is encouraging.”

Today, with its achievements to date and its strategic vision for the future, a palpable sense of excitement pervades the Williams Institute. The institute’s many successes are attributable “to a prodigious team effort of talented scholars dedicated to conducting rigorous research that is relevant to current law and policy issues — and that improves the lives of millions of real people,” says Sears.

“No organization in the field of sexual orientation and gender identity studies has done higher quality work or made more of a contribution to the development of public policy than the Williams Institute,” says Nan. D. Hunter, professor of law at the Georgetown Law Center.

“Williams has taken the idea and role of a think tank to a new level by producing multidisciplinary work in law, economics, demographics, health and psychology — a broader range than any other policy-oriented research institution,” Hunter adds. “In the process, Williams has become recognized as the gold standard for intellectual work that is both rigorous and relevant.”
Professor Kimberlé Crenshaw
Receives 2016 Outstanding Scholar Award

Distinguished Professor of Law Kimberlé Crenshaw has been honored with the 2016 Outstanding Scholar Award from the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation. Crenshaw is the first woman of color to receive this honor, which is an annual prize that recognizes exceptional scholarship in the law or in government.

Crenshaw is a co-founder and the executive director of the African American Policy Forum, an organization dedicated to dismantling structural inequality. Her work has placed her among Safe Magazine’s “16 Global Heroes Who Go There,” a celebration of activists who support people at risk and victims of violence. In 2015, the Ebony Power 100 featured Crenshaw, who launched the #SayHerName campaign, as a contemporary hero of the black community. She was also named Ms. Magazine’s #1 Most Inspiring Feminist of 2015 for her innovative reports Black Girls Matter: Pushed Out, Overpoliced and Underprotected and Say Her Name: Resisting Police Brutality Against Black Women. Articles she has authored have appeared in publications including The New York Times, the Washington Post and the Harvard Law Review.

Crenshaw teaches Civil Rights and other courses in critical race studies and constitutional law and has twice earned recognition as professor of the year. Her commitment to racial justice and gender equality has made her a leading authority on civil rights, black feminist legal theory, race, racism and the law.
Professor Devon Carbado Named Associate Vice Chancellor of BruinX

Devon W. Carbado, the Honorable Harry Pregerson Professor of Law, has been appointed the inaugural Associate Vice Chancellor of BruinX, a multidisciplinary unit within UCLA’s Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

BruinX oversees research, development and intervention projects for the office, including the Bruin Excellence and Student Transformation grant program. As associate vice chancellor, Carbado will lead the BruinX initiative by providing critical scholarly engagement, strategic planning and project management in order to effectively translate findings into policy change and action.

Carbado, who writes in the areas of employment discrimination, criminal procedure, constitutional law and identity, is the co-author of Acting White? Rethinking Race in Post-Racial America and the co-editor of several volumes of essays, including The Long Walk to Freedom: Runaway Slave Narratives and Race Law Stories (with UCLA Law Dean Emerita Rachel Moran). A board member of the African American Policy Forum, Carbado was the Shikes Fellow in Civil Liberties and Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard Law School in 2012.

A member of UCLA Law’s faculty for nearly 20 years and former director and faculty co-director of its Critical Race Studies Program, Carbado has won numerous teaching awards, including UCLA Law’s Rutter Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2003 and UCLA’s Distinguished Teaching Award in 2007. He was also elected Professor of the Year by UCLA School of Law classes of 2000 and 2006.

Professor Joanna Schwartz Writes Expert Report on Police Misconduct Litigation

UCLA Law Professor Joanna Schwartz has published a groundbreaking article that examines how local governments finance police lawsuits. Titled “How Governments Pay: Lawsuits, Budgets and Police Reform,” the 2016 UCLA Law Review article is the first nationwide study focusing on city, county and state budgets for cases against law enforcement.

As one of the country’s leading experts on police misconduct litigation, Schwartz uses a collection of public records, interviews and other sources to shed light on individual accountability within law enforcement misconduct cases as well as the financial toll litigation costs have on department budgets. The result is an in-depth look at a topic that brings clarity to both courts and scholars on budgeting arrangements within local governments, the sourcing of funds and how suits involving police are financed.

Schwartz, who teaches Civil Procedure, the Civil Rights Litigation Clinic and courses on police accountability and public interest lawyering, is a 2015 recipient of UCLA’s Distinguished Teaching Award. In 2015, she joined UCLA Law Professor Emeritus Stephen Yeazell as co-author of the leading civil procedure casebook in the country. Her work as co-counsel representing a class of inmates challenging the conditions at Rikers Island earned her the New York City Legal Aid Society’s Pro Bono Publico Award.
Association of American Law Schools Honors Professor Bray, Professor Emeritus Klein

The Association of American Law Schools (AALS) recognized two UCLA Law professors for outstanding achievement at its 2016 annual meeting. The event, which took place in New York City in January, honored Samuel Bray with the Award for Excellence in Legal Education. Bray also received the Best Article Award by an untenured professor from the AALS’ Federal Courts Section for “The Supreme Court and the New Equity,” 68 Vanderbilt Law Review 997 (2015).

“The AALS section award winners include some of the leading law teachers and scholars in the country,” said AALS President Blake D. Morant. “These individuals represent our continuing commitment to excellence in legal education, and we are thrilled to acknowledge their significant contributions with these section awards.” Also receiving an honor at the annual meeting was William Klein, Richard C. Maxwell Distinguished Professor of Law Emeritus — one of 13 honorees recognized by the Section on Business Associations for serving as an outstanding mentor throughout his career.

Honorees were celebrated for their eagerness to discuss others’ early ideas and to contribute to the development and improvement of others’ work; their willingness to promote and encourage the success of junior scholars by reading and providing meaningful and useful feedback on drafts; and their dedication to providing professional and personal advice. In a communication that went out following the meeting, the AALS lauded the award winners for their “service to legal education through thoughtful, caring and inspiring mentorship. You have helped others in our field in countless ways.”

Professor Asli Bâli to Lead Center for Near Eastern Studies

An expert in human rights law and the comparative constitutional law of the Middle East, Professor Asli Bâli was named director of the UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies (CNES) in January. CNES, established in 1957, is one of the oldest and largest centers of its kind in the United States. CNES works with more than 80 UCLA faculty members, 200 graduate students and 1,000 undergraduates from a variety of disciplines. The center, a part of the UCLA International Institute, hosts conferences, seminars and other events focused on everything from human rights to the history, politics, culture and languages of the Middle East; provides fellowships to UCLA graduate students; sponsors workshops for K-12 educators; and hosts a visiting scholar program.

“I’m committed to having the center be a place that serves all the varied interests of the scholars who study the Middle East at the university and the broader community that benefits from their research,” Bâli has said. “It’s a region that is characterized by ancient ethnic bonds and ties — across religions, across tribes, across ethnicities. I would like to do some programmatic work that recovers some of those legacies.”

A member of the UCLA School of Law faculty since 2009, Bâli has practiced international law at the United Nations, the World Bank and Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton in New York. A frequent commentator on events in Turkey, Iran and elsewhere, Bâli is co-editor of Constitution Writing, Religion and Democracy (forthcoming, Cambridge University Press, 2017). She serves on the Middle East Studies Association’s national board of directors, and is a member of the advisory board for the Middle East Division of Human Rights Watch.
Professor Hiroshi Motomura Honored by National Lawyers Guild

Hiroshi Motomura, the Susan Westerberg Prager Professor of Law, was honored by the Los Angeles Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild in June for his influential teaching and scholarship on immigration and citizenship law. A national leader in the field, Motomura has dedicated more than two decades of his career to the expansion of legal services and initiatives for immigrants.

Motomura’s book, *Immigration Outside the Law*, won the Association of American Publishers Professional and Scholarly Excellence (PROSE) Award in 2015. He is a co-founder and current director for the Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network and is the vice chair of the board of directors of the National Immigration Law Center — both of which are dedicated to advancing legal opportunities for immigrants. In addition to these key positions, Motomura was also a part of the team that led President Obama to adopt the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) initiative in 2012 and the Deferred Action for Parents of Americans (DAPA) in 2014.

Motomura has testified before Congress, served as a member of the American Bar Association’s Commission on Immigration and litigated several landmark court cases. He has also authored several books on the topic. His book *Americans in Waiting: The Lost Story of Immigration and Citizenship in the United States* won the Association of American Publishers’ PROSE Award in 2006 and was listed by the U.S. Department of State as suggested reading for foreign service officers.

2015-16 UCLA Law Fellows Gain Tenure-Track Positions

Notwithstanding a highly competitive academic job market, every one of the 2015-16 fellows at the UCLA School of Law who sought a tenure-track position was successful.

UCLA Law fellowships provide promising scholars with opportunities to teach and do research in preparation for pursuing careers in academia. Fellows execute comprehensive scholarly research projects and teach courses in close consultation with the law school faculty.

**Maureen Carroll ’09**, the Bernard A. and Lenore S. Greenberg Law Review Fellow at UCLA Law, has joined the University of Michigan Law School. Carroll received her B.S. in Electrical Engineering *magna cum laude* from Princeton University and her J.D. from UCLA Law. Her research and teaching interests focus on civil procedure, civil rights, the legal profession and employment discrimination.

**Daniela Dover**, a fellow in law and philosophy at UCLA Law, received an appointment with the UCLA Department of Philosophy. Dover holds a B.A. *magna cum laude* in Classics from Yale University and a Ph.D. in Philosophy from New York University. Her research and teaching interests include social and political philosophy, ethics, ancient philosophy and the philosophy of law.

**George S. Georgiev**, a Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law & Policy Fellow at UCLA Law, joined Emory University School of Law. He received his J.D. from Yale and holds an M.A. in Economics from the University of Munich. His teaching and research interests are in the areas of corporate law and governance, securities regulation, antitrust law and comparative business law.

**Irene Oritseweyinmi Joe**, a Binder Teaching Fellow at UCLA Law, has joined the faculty at UC Davis School of Law. Joe earned her J.D. from Stanford University with pro bono distinction. Her research and teaching interests include criminal law, criminal procedure, evidence and professional responsibility.

**Brandon Weiss**, a Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy Fellow, accepted an appointment with the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law. Weiss earned a B.S. in Symbolic Systems from Stanford University, a J.D. from Harvard Law School and an M.P.P. from Harvard’s John F. Kennedy School of Government. His research engages the intersection of housing, economic mobility and government intervention.

**Jordan Blair Woods ’09**, the Richard Taylor Law Teaching Fellow at the Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy, has accepted a tenure-track appointment with the University of Arkansas School of Law. Woods received his A.B. in Social Studies from Harvard, and a Ph.D. and M.Phil. in Criminology from the University of Cambridge. He earned his J.D. from UCLA Law. Woods’ research interests lie at the intersection of criminal law and procedure, constitutional law, and sexual orientation and gender identity law.
Top Ranked: 13 Faculty Among Most Cited in Their Fields

Thirteen UCLA School of Law faculty members are among the most cited legal scholars in their fields over the past five years, according to *Brian Leiter’s Law School Reports*. UCLA has the eighth-highest number of faculty in the rankings among all U.S. law schools. In all, 24% of UCLA Law’s tenured faculty are represented in the rankings. They include:

- **Stephen Bainbridge**, William D. Warren Distinguished Professor of Law: Corporate Law and Securities Regulation
- **Stuart Banner**, Norman Abrams Professor of Law: Legal History
- **Devon Carbado**, Honorable Harry Pregerson Professor of Law: Critical Theory
- **Kimberlé Crenshaw**, distinguished professor of law: Critical Theory
- **Jerry Kang**, professor of law: Critical Theory
- **Russell Korobkin**, Richard C. Maxwell Professor of Law: Law & Economics
- **Lynn LoPucki**, Security Pacific Bank Distinguished Professor of Law: Commercial Law
- **Jennifer L. Mnookin**, Dean and David G. Price and Dallas P. Price Professor of Law: Evidence Law
- **Neil Netanel**, Pete Kameron Professor of Law: Intellectual Property and Cyberlaw
- **Kal Raustiala**, professor of law: International Law
- **James Salzman**, Donald Bren Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law: Administrative and/or Environmental Law
- **Seana Shiffrin**, Pete Kameron Professor of Law and Social Justice: Law and Philosophy
- **Eugene Volokh**, Gary T. Schwartz Professor of Law: Constitutional & Public Law

Brian Leiter, Karl N. Llewellyn Professor of Jurisprudence at the University of Chicago Law School, drew data for the rankings from the 2015 *Sisk Study*, which examined overall scholarly impact among law faculties as measured by citations from 2010-2014.

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**Professor Laura Gómez to Serve as UCLA Interim Dean of Social Sciences**

Professor Laura Gómez has been named interim dean for the UCLA College of Letters and Science Division of Social Sciences. In addition to holding a primary appointment at the UCLA School of Law, Gómez holds joint appointments in the departments of sociology and Chicana and Chicano studies.


She has held numerous leadership positions at UCLA and elsewhere, including service as vice dean of faculty development at UCLA School of Law from 2013-15, and as co-director of the school’s Critical Race Studies program. Gómez was associate dean for faculty development at University of New Mexico School of Law and co-directed UNM’s Institute for the Study of Race and Social Justice. She serves on the 2016 committee of visitors for the National Science Foundation’s Division of Social and Economic Sciences.
Professor Kal Raustiala
Elected Vice President of the American Society of International Law

UCLA Law Professor Kal Raustiala, director of the Ronald W. Burkle Center for International Relations and faculty director of the UCLA International Education Office, was elected a vice president of the American Society of International Law, a volunteer-led organization that promotes the establishment of international relations on the basis of law and justice.

Raustiala is a distinguished authority on international law who has a joint appointment between UCLA Law and the UCLA International Institute. From 2012 to 2015, he served as UCLA’s associate vice provost for international studies. His most recent book, The Knockoff Economy: How Imitation Spurs Innovation, written with Christopher Sprigman of NYU Law School, has been translated into Chinese, Korean and Japanese.

Rep. Henry Waxman
Serves as UC Regents Professor

Former U.S. Rep. Henry Waxman ’61, JD ’64, who represented parts of West Los Angeles in Congress for 40 years and was deeply involved in key legislation on healthcare, environmental law and other topics, served as a UC Regents Professor at UCLA School of Law for Winter Quarter 2016. He taught Politics, Policy and Congress. In class sessions and frequent office hours, UCLA Law faculty members and students had the opportunity to ask Waxman about his perspective on the legislative process, the interpretation of legislation, and the inside workings of Congress.

Professor Sean Hecht Wins CLAY Award

Sean Hecht, co-executive director of the Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment and Evan Frankel Professor of Policy and Practice at UCLA School of Law, was a 2016 winner of the California Lawyer Attorney of the Year (CLAY) Award for environmental law. The award is given annually by The Daily Journal and California Lawyer to lawyers across the state whose work has had significant impact in the preceding year.

Hecht and UCLA School of Law’s Frank G. Wells Environmental Law Clinic were on the team of lawyers representing plaintiffs who challenged the environmental review of the Newhall Ranch development in the Santa Clarita Valley, north of Los Angeles. Clinic students, including UCLA School of Law alumni Heather Leslie ’15 and Ryan Berghoff ’15, worked on the case, Center for Biological Diversity v. Department of Fish and Wildlife, which reached the California Supreme Court in 2015 and resulted in a court decision favorable to the plaintiffs.

The case involved important issues about the proper means to evaluate the climate change impacts of new developments, as well as whether development impacts on a fully-protected species can be mitigated by relocating individual animals.
Professor James Salzman Appointed to U.S. National Drinking Water Advisory Council

James Salzman, Donald Bren Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law, has been appointed to the U.S. National Drinking Water Advisory Council, a federal advisory committee that supports the Environmental Protection Agency in its duties and responsibilities to the national drinking water program.

Salzman also serves on the U.S. Trade and Environment Policy Advisory Committee, reporting to the EPA administrator and U.S. trade representative on issues involving the intersection of trade policy and environmental protection.

A 2012 study by Phillips and Yoo ranked Salzman as the fifth most cited environmental law professor in the field. He has published more than eight books and 80 articles on topics spanning drinking water, trade and environment conflicts, policy instrument design and the legal and institutional issues in creating markets for ecosystem services.


He has previously served as a visiting law professor at universities including Columbia, Harvard, Stanford and Yale and has also taught at universities in Australia, Sweden, Israel, Portugal, China and Italy. An honors graduate of Yale College and Harvard University, Salzman was the first Harvard graduate to earn joint degrees in law and engineering.

UCLA Law Launches Restorative Practices Pilot Program

To encourage students to build community and develop important conflict management skills, in Fall 2015 the UCLA School of Law launched training sessions and conferences in a variety of restorative practices, including restorative justice.

Restorative practices is an umbrella term for methods that view restoring harm and building relationships as a powerful pathway to a peaceful and productive society. Restorative justice, rooted in Maori and Native American dispute resolution methods, seeks to ameliorate the harm of offending behavior, determine its impact, repair the harm and reestablish relationships.

Led by Assistant Dean for Student Affairs Emily Scivoletto and Director of Learning Environment and Academic Affairs and Adjunct Professor Tony Tolbert, the pilot program in Fall 2015 provided first-year students the training to lead restorative discussions and conferences in their own communities. In the spring semester, these students served as facilitators during spring orientation and as discussion leaders during a number of campus climate-focused dialogues with students and faculty. The school plans to continue the trainings in the 2016-17 academic year.

“The practice of law is ultimately about conflict resolution, and these trainings give students tools that will prove valuable in a wide range of settings,” Tolbert said.

This innovative pilot program is already drawing attention. UCLA Law leaders were invited to offer a training session for other law school student services professionals during the 2016 American Association of Law Schools annual meeting.

In 2016, Tolbert received the UCLA Jane B. Semel Healthy Campus Initiative Appreciation and Recognition Award. Tolbert also received the Dan Genung Visionary Leadership Award from the South Los Angeles non-profit All Peoples Community Center.
KHALED ABOU EL FADL  
Omar and Azmeralda Alfi Professor of Law  
Professor Abou El Fadl was named one of the World’s 500 Most Influential Muslims by the Royal Islamic Strategic Studies Center in Amman, Jordan. He offered the keynote address, “The Contested Vestiges of the Islamic: Postscript Reflections on Reasoning with God,” at the ninth Annual Muslim Studies Conference on Defining the Islamic at Michigan State University in April 2016. In February 2016 he offered the keynote address, “Reclaiming Shari’ah in the Modern Age,” at the conference entitled Journey through the Shari’ah, hosted by the Islamic Institute for Development and Research in co-operation with Center for Islamic Legislation and Ethics in Qatar and the Association of Muslim Lawyers in the United Kingdom. He wrote op-eds for publications and media outlets including The Huffington Post, Al-Jazeera English and the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

Publications

TENDAYI ACHIUME  
Assistant Professor of Law  
Professor Achiume received the 2016-17 Hellman Fellowship Award from the Hellman Fellows Fund, which supports the research of promising assistant professors who show capacity for distinction in their fields. She served as an invited speaker, panelist or presenter at numerous events, including the 2016 Annual Meeting of the American Society of International Law in April; the Connecticut Journal of International Law Symposium “The Global Refugee Crisis”; the Northwestern University Program on African Studies Speaker Series (“Political Authority, the ICC, and the Future of International Criminal Justice in Africa”); the Duke Law School 2016 Culp Colloquium; the Harvard Law School Institute for Global Law and Policy Workshop’s African Regional Workshop in Cape Town, South Africa; the United Nations Closed Expert Meeting on Xenophobia in Johannesburg, South Africa; “Beyond Survival: Livelihood Strategies for Refugees in the Middle East at Cornell Law School; and as workshop co-convener and presenter of “Destabilizing Demons? Reflecting on Xenophobia, Categories & Cohesion,” at the University of Witwatersrand, South Africa.

Publications
- “Focus on Europe Neglects the Syrian Refugee Crisis,” Jurist (Nov. 12, 2015).

EMILIE AGUIRRE  
Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy Teaching Fellow  
Emilie Aguirre was named as one of the University of California’s Global Food Initiative “30 Under 30” Award recipients. The award recognizes young researchers working to resolve the global food crisis.

Publications
Professor Bainbridge was appointed to the Washington Legal Foundation’s Legal Policy Advisory Board. He presented “Mergers & Acquisitions: Due Diligence and Legal Issues,” at the UCLA Anderson Executive Education Program in April 2016; was moderator of the Fiduciary Duty Panel at the 2016 Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy Private Fund Conference in May 2016; and was a panelist at the UCLA Law Review Fall Conference: “Defining the Boundaries of Insider Trading” in October 2015.

Publications

- “Revitalizing SEC Rule 14a-8’s Ordinary Business Exemption,” (paper) NYU Stern School of Business (March 24, 2016).

Professor Bâli was named director of the UCLA Center for Near Eastern Studies; chair of the UCLA International and Comparative Law Committee; advisory co-chair of Human Rights Watch-Middle East and North Africa Division, and a national board member of Middle East Studies Association.

She offered numerous presentations at university symposia, conferences and other settings on topics including the Iran nuclear deal, countering violent extremism, human rights and revolution in Turkey, the Syrian refugee crisis, the Arab Uprising and more. She served as a panelist, moderator, speaker or invited speaker at events including the Rahmaniyya Annual Seminar, Lisbon, Portugal in February 2016; the American Society of International Law Annual Conference in Washington, D.C., in March 2016; and events sponsored by the UCLA Burkle Center for International Relations and the UCLA Center for Middle East Development, California State University Northridge, the University of Chicago, Yale Law School, the McGeorge School of Law at University of the Pacific, and Ohio University.

Publications

- “Turkish Constitutionalism and ‘Models’ for Arab Reforms,” Constitutionalism, Human Rights and Islam after the Arab Spring (Rainer Grote & Tilmann Roeder, eds.) (Oxford University Press, 2016).

Professor Bank was invited to present “Executive Pay: What Worked?” at the University of Colorado School of Law Business Law Colloquium in March, the UCLA Tax Policy and Public Finance Colloquium in March and the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Business History Conference in Portland, Oregon in April. He also presented “Reforming FIFA” at the UCLA Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law & Policy Business Law Breakfast in January. Bank authored several essays on contracts, regulation and litigation involving U.S. and international soccer for American Soccer Now. Bank’s article, “Historical Perspective on the Corporate Interest Deduction,” 18 Chapman Law Review 29 (2014) was chosen by Tax Notes, an online news source for tax professionals, as one of the 10 leading corporate tax articles published in 2014-2015.

Publications

- “Paying High for Low Performance” (with George S. Georgiev), 100 Minnesota Law Review Headnotes 14 (2016).
PAUL BERGMAN  
*Professor of Law Emeritus*

Professor Bergman received the Dickson Award from the UCLA Emeriti Association, which is given to UCLA emeriti continuing their distinguished academic pursuits. Based on his book *Reel Justice: The Courtroom Goes to the Movies*, (Bergman and Asimow, co-authors), Professor Bergman presented talks to organizations including the Los Angeles chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocacy; the National Association of Minority & Women Owned Law Firms national conference; the Judicial Conference of the U.S. District Court for Southern District of Georgia; the annual meeting of the Appellate Judges Education Institute; and the conference of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit.

STUART BIEGEL  
*Lecturer in Law*

Stuart Biegel moderated a panel at a campus-wide event, “Trauma and Learning under the Law: Peter P. v. Compton Unified School District,” in March 2016. He also participated in the ongoing faculty and student affairs roundtable “Engaging and Supporting Our Students,” convened by Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Janine Montero.

**Publications**


SAMUEL BRAY  
*Professor of Law*

Professor Bray received the ALS Federal Courts Section prize for best article by an untenured professor (2014-2015) for “The Supreme Court and the New Equity.” His presentations and speaking engagements included “Form and Substance in the Fusion of Law and Equity” at Cambridge University in August 2016; “The System of Equitable Remedies” before the Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics, Paris in June 2016; and “‘Necessary AND Proper’ and ‘Cruel AND Unusual’: Hendiadys in the Constitution” at the Berkeley Law Faculty Workshop and Notre Dame Law Faculty Workshop in October.

**Publications**


TAIMIE BRYANT  
*Professor of Law*

**Publications**


DANIEL BUSSEL  
*Professor of Law*

Professor Bussel was named Bankruptcy Lawyer of the Year by the Century City Bar Association, and was elected as a member of the American Law Institute. He presented “Lawyering in the Regulatory State,” at the Milken-Financial Lawyers Conference, Nuts & Bolts: Real Estate, Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Topics, at Fordham Law School in June 2016.

**Publications**

> *Contract Law & Its Application*, ninth edition (University Casebook Series, 2016)


ANN CARLSON  
*Shirley Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law  
Faculty Co-Director, Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment*

Professor Carlson serves on UC President Napolitano’s Global Climate Leadership Council, which advises the UC Office of the President on decarbonizing the UC system by 2025, and was appointed by President Napolitano to co-chair the council’s Carbon Neutrality Initiative Financial and Management Task Force. Carlson made numerous presentations around the world on climate change, environmental and public utility law, and United States climate policy. These include several addresses in Germany and Russia at the request of the U.S. State Department, as well as workshops and presentations at the University of Virginia School of Law, the Georgetown Law Center, Vanderbilt Law School, and the University of Texas at Austin. She served as workshop leader of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences Project on Flexibility and Adaptability in the Clean Air Act, Washington, D.C., in February 2016. In April, Carlson, along with Megan Herzog, Sarah Duffy, Professor Cara Horowitz and University of Colorado Law School Professor William Boyd, filed an amici curiae brief in *State of West Virginia v. U.S. EPA* in the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals on behalf of five electric grid experts and in support of the U.S. EPA’s Clean Power Plan to regulate carbon dioxide emissions from existing fossil-fueled power plants.

**Publications**


JEFF DASTEEL  
*Lecturer in Law*

Jeff Dasteel’s presentations and speaking engagements included serving as a speaker at the State Bar of California’s 2016 Solo and Small Firm Summit; presenting “Counsel Ethics in International Arbitration: Is Self-Regulation Sufficient?” at USC Gould School of Law’s first annual ADR Symposium; and “To Disclose Or Not To Disclose: That Is The Question — The Whens, Hows, Whats and Ethics of Arbitrator Disclosure Obligations” at the American Arbitration Association Roundtable; and “Enforcement of Religious Arbitration In Contracts of Adhesion.” He also presented at a Penn State Law School Symposium on the Politics of Arbitration; moderated a panel on “International Arbitration in California” presented by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in 2015; and was a panelist at events supported by the California Minority Counsel, by several sections of the California State Bar and others.

**Publications**


SHARON DOLOVICH  
*Professor of Law  
Faculty Director, UCLA Prison Law and Policy Program*

Professor Dolovich was a participant in the Ninth Circuit Corrections Summit in November 2015 and convenor of the UC Irvine Criminology/UCLA Prison Law & Policy Roundtable at UCLA in October 2015. She presented “Canons of Evasion in Constitutional Criminal Law” at the Stanford Criminal Justice Roundtable in April 2016.

**Publications**


INGRID EAGLY  
*Professor of Law  
Faculty Director, David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy*

Professor Eagly served as a presenter, panelist or moderator on the topic of immigration law and criminal justice, access to counsel, family detentions and other topics at numerous workshops, conferences and symposia. She presented “A National Study of Access to Counsel in Immigration Court” at the University of Miami Law School in September, 2015; moderated the American Bar Association-sponsored panel “Family Detention at a Crossroads: Will the U.S. Government Persist or Desist?” at UCLA School of Law in September 2015; and made presentations at Michigan State School of Law, the Quattrone Center for the Fair Administration of Justice at University of Pennsylvania Law School, Oxford University and elsewhere.

**Publications**

KRISTEN EICHENSEHR  
*Assistant Professor of Law*

Professor Eichensehr served as a speaker, moderator and panelist at numerous conferences and events on the subjects of cybersecurity, cyberwar, international law, the Apple/FBI cases, and foreign sovereigns as friends of the court. Events where Eichensehr spoke were hosted by the Council on Foreign Relations, the National Academy of Sciences, the American Society of International Law in Washington, D.C., the Center on Law and Security at the NYU School of Law, University of Texas at Austin, the University of Michigan Law School, Hastings College of the Law, University of California, Irvine and elsewhere.

**Publications**


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ETHAN ELKIND  
*Director of the Climate Change and Business Program*

Ethan Elkind gave the keynote address at the Southern California Energy Conversion Technology Project Conference in Los Angeles in July 2016, and the California Biodiesel Conference in Sacramento in February 2016. He wrote op-eds for publications including: *The Sacramento Bee, Los Angeles Times, Capitol Weekly* and the *San Diego Union-Tribune*.

**Publications**

» “Powering the Savings: How California Can Tap the Energy Efficiency Potential in Existing Commercial Buildings,” (with Sean Hecht, Cara Horowitz, Jordan Diamond) (report) UCLA School of Law & UC Berkeley School of Law (March 2016).

» “Planting Fuels: How California Can Boost Local, Low-Carbon Biofuel Production” (report) UCLA School of Law & UC Berkeley School of Law (December 2015).

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STEPHEN GARDBAUM  
*MacArthur Foundation Professor of International Justice and Human Rights*

In October, Professor Gardbaum participated in an international conference entitled *Comparing Comparative Law* at the University of Fribourg, Switzerland, where he presented “How Do and Should We Compare Constitutional Law?” His paper will be included in the resulting volume, to be published by the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law in 2017. On November 13-14, he participated in the Wisconsin Discussion Group on Constitutionalism at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School. He presented his article, “Political Parties, Voting Systems, and the Separation of Powers,” which is forthcoming in the *American Journal of Comparative Law*. In June, he chaired a panel and presented, “Political Parties, Voting Systems, and the Separation of Powers” at the International Society of Public Law 2016 Conference at Humboldt University, in Berlin.

**Publications**


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LAURA GÓMEZ  
*Professor of Law  
Interim Dean of the Division of Social Sciences at UCLA*

In May 2016 Professor Laura Gómez was named interim dean for the UCLA College of Letters and Science Division of Social Sciences. She was also named Richard T. Castro Distinguished Visiting Professor at the Metropolitan State University of Denver for October 2016. Gómez’ book, *Manifest Destinies: The Making of the Mexican American Race*, is the subject of an MSU public lecture. The book traces the origins of Mexican Americans as a racial group in the United States, paying particular attention to shifting meanings of race and law in the nineteenth century.
MARK GREENBERG  
Professor of Law  
Professor of Philosophy

Professor Greenberg presented “The Principles of Legal Interpretation and a Problem for Legal Positivism,” at a Conference on Constitutional Interpretation and Legal Positivism in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in May 2015. He gave a talk, “How to Do Things with Force,” at the UCLA Faculty Colloquium in December, 2015, and in February, 2016, he offered a talk on legal interpretation at the University of California at Irvine. In March 2016, he presented “Principles of Legal Interpretation,” at Yale Law School. In April 2016, he commented on a paper by Professor Lawrence Sager entitled, “Putting Law in Its Place,” at a session at the UCLA School of Law. Also in April 2016, he presented “Legal Interpretation and How the Content of the Law is Determined” at the University of California, Berkeley.

Publications

SEAN HECHT  
Evan Frankel Professor of Policy and Practice  
Co-Executive Director of the Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment  
Co-Director, UCLA Environmental Law Clinic

Professor Hecht received a 2016 California Lawyer Attorney of the Year (CLAY) Award for environmental law for work in Center for Biological Diversity v. Department of Fish and Wildlife. His presentations included “Who Will Pay: The Public & Private Insurance Implications of Climate Law’s Drastic Challenges” at Boston College Law School in November 2015; and he served as a panelist for “CEQA and Greenhouse Gases—Recent Cases and Their Implications for Future Cases,” at the Los Angeles County Bar Association 30th Annual Environmental Law Section Spring Super Symposium: Thirty Years of Environmental Law—Understanding Today’s Challenges and Planning for a Sustainable Future in April 2016. He also served as a panelist at “Climate Politics in the Golden State,” at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meeting in April 2016; and at “Sea Level Rise in San Diego: Managing a Changing Coast,” presented by the State Bar of California Environmental Law Section in June 2016.

Publications
- People v. Rinehart, co-author, amicus curiae brief, California Supreme Court.

ALLISON HOFFMAN  
Professor of Law

Professor Hoffman made the presentation “How Economics Fails Health Law” at several events, including the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics’ Health Law Professors Conference at Boston University in June 2016, and at “The Future of Public Health: Individual Choice v. Collective Destiny” at Northeastern University in April 2015. Other presentations addressed healthcare and the role of the courts, the Affordable Care Act and long-term care and were made before several academic and healthcare organizations.

Publications
- “Reimagining the Risk of Long-Term Care,” Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, & Ethics (forthcoming 2016).

CARA HOROWITZ  
Andrew Sabin Family Foundation  
Co-Executive Director of the Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment  
Co-Director, UCLA Environmental Law Clinic

Professor Horowitz was named to the executive committee of the California State Bar’s Environmental Law Section. She also testified before both the California Select Senate Committee on Climate Change and the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality. To the latter, she spoke in support of Senator Ben Allen’s proposed California Senate Bill 1161, the Climate Science Truth and Accountability Act. She also served as a panelist at the “Navigating
American Carbon World” conference in San Diego, where she spoke about the Clean Power Plan. She has given multiple interviews and presentations on the significance of the Paris climate agreement, including a webinar for the California State Bar, and a public lecture at the Skirball Cultural Center. In February, she published an op-ed in *The Conversation* about the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision to temporarily halt implementation of the Clean Power Plan. In April, Horowitz, along with Megan Herzog, Sarah Duffy, Professor Ann Carlson and University of Colorado Law School Professor William Boyd, filed an amici curiae brief in *State of West Virginia v. U.S. EPA* in the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals on behalf of five electric grid experts and in support of the U.S. EPA’s Clean Power Plan to regulate carbon dioxide emissions from existing fossil-fuel-fired power plants.

**Publications**
- “Bending the Curve,” (with other University of California climate experts), a report on solutions to stabilize the climate within the century (2016).

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**JILL HORWITZ**

*Professor of Law*

Professor Jill Horwitz is co-reporter of the Restatement of the Law, First, Charitable Nonprofit Organizations. At the American Law Institute’s 2016 annual meeting in May, members approved the first three chapters of the project, which address questions related to the formation and governance of charities, as well as the duties of fiduciaries and governing boards. In November 2015, Horwitz organized the conference “Sexual Assault and the Campus: The Role of Title IX” at UCLA School of Law. The event featured a keynote address by Laura Faer, chief attorney of the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights, and more than a dozen panelists from academia, law enforcement, and advocacy organizations. Her other presentations included the 2016 Regis J. Fallon Lecture at the University of Chicago School of Law and School of Medicine and “Technology Regulation Reconsidered: The Effects of Certificate of Need on MRI Access, Quality and Cost” at Northwestern School of Law in April 2016. In 2016, Horwitz completed her term on the board of advisors to the New York University National Center on Philanthropy and the Law.

**Publications**

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**KRISTEN JACKSON**

*Lecturer in Law*

Kristen Jackson serves as co-counsel on *FLB v. Lynch* (formerly *JEFM v. Holder*), federal litigation filed in 2014 to establish a right to government-appointed legal representation for children in immigration proceedings. The case is proceeding before both the federal district court and the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Her presentations and speaking engagements included “Women & Children: Detention, Asylum, SIJS, and T Visas,” at the American Immigration Lawyers Association Conference in March, 2016; “Special Immigrant Juvenile Status: The Basics” at Beyond the Bench XIV, hosted by the Administrative Office of the Courts’ Center for Families, Children and the Courts in December 2015; and “Hot Topics in Representing Central American Children” at the U Visa and Humanitarian Relief Seminar in October 2015.

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**LESLIE JOHNS**

*Associate Professor of Political Science and Law*

Professor Johns continues to serve on the boards of the *International Studies Quarterly* and the *Journal of Politics*.

**Publications**

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**AMJAD MAHMOOD KHAN**

*Lecturer in Law*

SUNG HUI KIM

Professor of Law
Director of the Program on In-House Counsel,
Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law
and Policy

Professor Kim’s speaking engagements include presenting “Fiduciary Law’s Anti-Corruption Norm” in the Fourth Annual Fiduciary Law Workshop at Duke Law School in June 2016, and “Inside Lawyers: Friends or Gatekeepers” Lawyering in the Regulatory State colloquium at Fordham Law School in October 2015. She was a panelist at “Insider Trading as Private Corruption” during the UCLA Law Review/Lowell Milken Institute Conference on Insider Trading, and at “Transitioning & Succeeding as an In-House Lawyer,” which was part of the UCLA School of Law’s UCLA Law Women LEAD Mentoring Circle in September 2015.

DOUGLAS LICHTMAN

Professor of Law

Professor Lichtman received a joint appointment to the UCLA Henry Samueli School of Engineering and Applied Science. His presentations and speaking engagements included serving as a panelist for “A Discussion of BMG v. Cox” in the Ziffren Salon Series at UCLA School of Law in June 2016 and for a year in review presentation at the Loeb & Loeb Annual IP Symposium. Lichtman also made speaking engagements at the UCLA Entertainment Law Symposium in March 2016; before the National Academy of Sciences in March 2016; and at the Los Angeles Copyright Society in December 2015. He presented the Paul Brach Visiting Artist Lecture, “Borrowing without Permission,” at the California Institute of the Arts in October 2015.

LYNN LOPUCKI

Security Pacific Bank Distinguished Professor of Law

Publications


TIMOTHY MALLOY

Professor of Law
Faculty Director, UCLA Sustainable Technology & Policy Program

Professor Malloy was re-appointed to the California Green Ribbon Science Panel, which is charged with providing advice to the Department of Toxic Substances Control regarding the implementation of the Safer Consumer Products regulatory program. His presentations and speaking engagements include “Exposure and Interaction: Policy Perspectives on the Use of Multiple Pesticides” at Center for Environmental Health in July 2016; “Methods for the Madness: Integrating Green Chemistry into Regulation” at the Green Chemistry and Engineering Conference in June 2016; “Governance of Emerging Technologies: Management vs. Prevention” at the Governance of Emerging Technologies Conference in May 2016; and "The Trust Indenture Act, Debt Restructuring and Reorganization Tourism (Parts I and II)," Bankruptcy Law Letter, Vol. 30, issue nos. 3 and 4 (March and April 2016)
JENNIFER L. MNOOKIN
Dean, David G. Price and Dallas P. Price Professor of Law, and Faculty Co-Director, PULSE @ UCLA Law (Program on Understanding Law, Science & Evidence)

Dean Mnookin was appointed to the steering committee of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) Deans Forum for 2016-17. She delivered the Third Annual Decanal Lecture on Legal Education, “The Future of Legal Education,” at Florida International University College of Law, in February, 2016. Additionally, Dean Mnookin served as a panelist for discussions on reforming the hearsay rule and “Does Evidence Still Matter?” for the Evidence Section panel at the AALS Annual Meeting in New York City in January 2016. She also gave a talk to faculty and students on current issues in expert evidence as part of the “Chapman Dialogue” at Chapman University Dale Fowler School of Law in October 2015. In April Dean Mnookin organized, along with Professor Richard Re and researcher Jaci Seelagy, “Imagining the Legal Landscape 2030,” a workshop offered by the Program on Understanding Law, Science, and Evidence (PULSE).

RACHEL MORAN
Michael J. Connell Distinguished Professor of Law and Dean Emerita

Dean Emerita Moran was named the Inaugural William H. Neukom Fellows Research Chair in Diversity and Law for the American Bar Foundation for 2015-16. Under the auspices of the fellowship, she launched a national research initiative on “The Future of Latinos in the United States: Law, Opportunity, and Mobility,” co-directed by Robert L. Nelson, MacCrat Research Chair in the Profession and Director Emeritus of the American Bar Foundation. Her many speaking engagements included presentations and lectures on “The future of Latinos in the United States” before national and state law societies and associations, law schools and law firms. She offered presentations on aspects of higher education — including overall goals, diversity and affordability — at education symposia and conferences. Moran also served as a keynote speaker, panelist or moderator on topics including constitutional law, the U.S. Supreme Court, civil rights movements, discrimination and inequality among LGBT people, and journalism, diversity and the law.
HIROSHI MOTOMURA
Susan Westerberg Prager Professor of Law
Professor Motomura received the National Lawyers Guild Los Angeles Chapter Award, in June 2016, and was named the Higgins Distinguished Visitor, at Lewis & Clark Law School, in Portland, Oregon, in March 2016. He was appointed as vice chair of the board of directors of the National Immigration Law Center; and is on the board of directors of the Rocky Mountain Immigrant Advocacy Network; and the editorial board of the International Migration Review, the leading peer-reviewed interdisciplinary journal on migration studies. He is also on the steering committee of the UCLA Program on International Migration. His numerous presentations and speaking engagements include talks based on his 2014 book, *Immigration Outside the Law* at universities, faculty colloquia, historical societies and legal associations. Motomura gave talks on the landmark 1965 Immigration Act before the Immigration Policy Institute in Washington, D.C. in September 2015; at the Conference on Immigrant America at the Immigration History Research Center at the University of Minnesota in October 2015; and elsewhere. He gave talks on migrants, citizens and economic integration before UCLA Law and University of Georgia School of law Faculty, and addressed issues in immigration scholarship before the Immigration Law Teachers Workshop at Michigan State University College of Law in May 2016.

**Publications**

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STEPHEN R. MUNZER
Distinguished Research Professor of Law
Professor Munzer was appointed chairman of the board of the Ethikon Institute. His presentations included “Classifying Disputes over Intellectual Property Rights in Traditional Knowledge” at the Texas A&M Intellectual Property Conference Fort Worth, Tex., in April 2016; “Economic Inequality” at the Ethikon Conference, Redondo Beach, Calif., in April 2016; and “Bonhoeffer on Temptation” before the Society of Christian Philosophers at University of San Diego in March 2016.

**Publications**

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JYOTI NANDA
Lecturer in Law
Binder Clinical Teaching Fellow
Jyoti Nanda’s speaking engagements included presentations of “Advancing Equity for Women and Girls of Color: A Research Agenda for the Next Decade” before the White House Council on Women & Girls and the Anna Julia Cooper Center at Wake Forest University in November 2015. She served as an invited panelist at several events, including a Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors meeting on juvenile indigent defense. She also spoke at the Los Angeles County Public Defender’s Office’s 34th Annual Juvenile Delinquency Law Training in March 2016 and at Juvenile Law Center 40th anniversary symposium hosted by the *Temple Law Review*. In October 2015, before the environmental law section of the State Bar of California, she presented “Look to Your Left, Look to Your Right—Where Are the People of Color?”
VICTOR NARRO  
*Lecturer in Law*

Professor Narro received the Ambassador Award at the Service Employees International Union Building Skills Partnership’s “Mike Garcia Legacy Scholarship” Reception. The award recognizes those whose efforts improve the working conditions of janitors.

DOUGLAS NEJAIME  
*Professor of Law*  
**Faculty Director, Williams Institute**

Professor NeJaime was appointed to the American Constitution Society Academic Advisory Board. He presented at faculty workshops and conferences at Yale Law School, Boston University School of Law, the University of Florida, the University of San Diego, George Washington University, and Benjamin Cardozo School of Law at Yeshiva University, Whitman College, Pepperdine University, Loyola Law School and the University of Colorado, as well as numerous events at the UCLA School of Law’s Williams Institute.

**Publications**


NEIL NETANEL  
*Pete Kameron Professor of Law*

Professor Netanel is the national editor of the new Jewish law section of Primary Sources on Copyright, an open-access digital archive of primary sources on copyright law from the invention of the printing press (c. 1450) to 1900. His commentaries, translations and images of primary source materials on the Jewish law of copyright were launched on the archive in June 2016. His presentations and speaking engagements include the keynote address, “The Jewish Law of Copyright: A Response to Print and, Now, Digital Technology” at the Jewish Law Association biennial Conference at Tel Aviv University in July 2016; and “Jewish Copyright Law as Imperfect Resistance” at the International Society of History and Theory of Intellectual Property annual conference at Glasgow University in July 2016. He offered lectures or was a respondent in book launches for *From Maimonides to Microsoft: The Jewish Law of Copyright Since the Birth of Print* at Haifa University and Tel Aviv University in May 2016, and at the UCLA Alan D. Leve Center for Jewish Studies in March 2016.

**Publications**


JAMES PARK  
*Professor of Law*

Professor Park organized the Redefining the Boundaries of Insider Trading conference, sponsored by the *UCLA Law Review* and Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy, in October 2015. He also presented “Auditor Settlements of Securities Class Actions” at the Conference on Empirical Legal Studies and Corporate and Securities Litigation Workshop at the Boston University Law School in October 2015; and moderated a panel on “Public Pension Plans and Private Funds – Common Goals, Conflicting Interests” at the Lowell Milken Institute Private Funds Conference in May 2016.

**Publications**


KAL RAUSTIALA  
*Professor of Law*  
**Director, UCLA Ronald W. Burkle Center for International Relations**  
**Faculty Director, UCLA International Education Office**

Professor Raustiala was elected vice president of the American Society of International Law, and in August 2016 was named the Yong Shook Lin Visiting Professor in Intellectual Property at National University of Singapore. In April 2016 he hosted a discussion between students and U.S. National Security Advisor at UCLA School of Law. He also gave talks in Seoul, South Korea; Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and Geneva.
RICHARD RE
Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Re presented “Imagining the Legal Landscape: Technology and the Law in 2030,” at the PULSE (Program on Understanding Law, Science, and Evidence) symposium at UCLA School of Law in October 2015, which he helped to organize. He served as moderator for “Whither the Court: The Allan C. Lebow Annual Supreme Court Review at UCLA Law” in August 2016.

Publications

ANGELA RILEY
Professor of Law
Director, MA/JD Joint Degree Program in Law and American Indian Studies
Director, Native Nations Law and Policy Center

Professor Riley was appointed the Oneida Indian Nation Visiting Professor of Law at Harvard Law School for Fall 2015, and was re-elected as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation in June 2016. She was honored as one of “Women Inspiring Change” in recognition of International Women’s Day at an event hosted by Harvard Law School and the International Development Society. Her presentations included “Crime and Governance in Indian Country” at Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Mass., in April 2016; “The Jurisgenerative Moment in Indigenous Human Rights” at the Federal Bar Association/Native American Bar Association Annual Indian Law Conference in Phoenix, Ariz., in April 2016; and “Crime and Governance in Indian Country” at the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, Tucson, Ariz. in March 2016.

Publications

MICHAEL ROBERTS
Executive Director of the Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy
Adjunct Faculty


Publications

JAMES SALZMAN
Donald Bren Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law

Professor Salzman was appointed to the Environmental Protection Agency’s National Drinking Water Advisory Committee. His presentations and speaking engagements included serving as a keynote speaker at the ABA Section on Environment Section 7 regional conference and the meeting of the American Water Works Association — Western Region. He made presentations on environmental quality, habitat conservation plans, the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and drinking water at the UC Berkeley School of Law, the LSU School of Law in Baton Rouge, La., Harvard Law School, the University of Rochester, Macalaster College in St. Paul, Minn., and before the Association of Environmental Authorities in Atlantic City, N.J.

Publications
EILEEN SCALLEN  
Associate Dean for Curriculum and Academic Affairs  
Adjunct Professor of Law

Professor Scallen’s presentations and speaking engagements included serving as a panelist for “Does Evidence Law Still Matter?” at the American Association of Law Schools Section on Litigation, January 2016; a participant in “The Ethics of Communicating Scientific Uncertainty: Understanding How Scientists, Environmental Lawyers, and Journalists Treat Uncertainty” at the Environmental Law Institute in Washington D.C.; and serving as chair and discussant at “The New Waves in Negotiation and ADR” at the Law and Society Conference in New Orleans.

Publications

JOANNA SCHWARTZ  
Professor of Law

In 2015 Professor Schwarz was among the recipients of the UCLA Distinguished Teaching Award. Her presentations include serving as an invited speaker on The Impact of Civil Suits on Police Accountability at the American Association of Justice Annual Convention in July 2016; serving as an invited reviewer at the Second Annual Civil Procedure Conference in University of Washington Law School, July 2016; and offering invited papers including Policing the Police, Chicago Legal Forum, University of Chicago Law School, November 2015; “How Governments Pay: Lawsuits, Budgets, and Police Reform,” UC Hastings Faculty Workshop, October 2015; “Race and Resistance: Against Police Violence,” UCLA School of Law Critical Race Studies Symposium, October 2015; and “The Supreme Court, Business, and Civil Justice,” Annual Clifford Symposium on Tort Law and Social Policy, DePaul Law School, Chicago, April 2015.

Publications

SEANA SHIFFRIN  
Professor of Philosophy  
Pete Kameron Professor of Law and Social Justice

Professor Shiffrin received the 2016 Rutter Award for Excellence in Teaching from UCLA School of Law. Her book *Speech Matters* was the focus of a day-long conference organized by the University College of London and the UCL Institute for Human Rights.

Publications

RICHARD H. STEINBERG  
Professor of Law  
Professor of Political Science

Professor Steinberg was named counselor to the American Society for International Law, as well as professor of Political Science (by courtesy) at UCLA and visiting professor of Global Studies at Stanford University. He also edited a newly published book, *Contemporary Issues Facing the International Criminal Court* (Brill/Nijhoff, 2016). He also gave invited talks in Melbourne, Australia, at The Hague, and at Stanford and Northwestern universities.

Publications

LARA STEMPLE  
Director, Graduate Studies  
Director, Health and Human Rights Law Project

Publications
KATHERINE STONE  
Arjay and Frances Miller Distinguished Professor of Law

Professor Stone made numerous presentations and speaking engagements on the topics of labor law, Uber and employee status, changing laws and the transformation of the structure of employment, unions and politics and the future of work. She offered the keynote address, “Working in a Boundaryless Labor Market — The Transformation of Work and the Need for a New Social Regime,” at the Summer University of Diderot University in Paris in June 2016; and the keynote “Rupture and Invention: The Changing Nature of Employment and the Need to Re-Invent Social Policy for Today’s World of Transient Work” at the Conference on The Great Transformation of Work sponsored by a collaborative venture of the Italian Ministry of Education, the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, the University of Bergamo and the Polytechnic of Bari in Bergamo, Italy, in November 2015. She also made presentations to the California Labor and Employment Section of the American Bar Association; the Association of American Law Schools; the Columbia University Joint Seminar on Globalization, Labor & Popular Struggles and Full Employment, Social Welfare & Equity; the Department of Labor; the Rutgers University School of Labor Relations; Hebrew University Law School, Jerusalem; Tel Aviv University Law School, Tel Aviv; the Brookings Institute; New York University Law School; and others.

Publications

SHEROD THAXTON  
Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Thaxton received the 2016-17 Hellman Fellowship Award and the Faculty Career Development Award for 2016-2017. The Hellman Fellowship Award, from the Hellman Fellows Fund, supports the research of promising assistant professors who show capacity for distinction in their fields. The UCLA Faculty Career Development Award provides support and recognizes excellence among pre-tenure faculty.

JOHN VILLASENOR  
Visiting Professor

Publications

ALEX WANG  
Assistant Professor of Law

Professor Wang is a recipient of a UCLA Faculty Career Development Award for the 2016-17 academic year. The award provides support and recognizes excellence among pre-tenure faculty. Wang presented “The Promise and Peril of Environmental Information Disclosure in China” at conferences held at Cornell University, UC Santa Barbara and UC Irvine. He also served as a panelist or speaker at several other conferences addressing environmental, economic and political issues in China.

Publications
ADAM WINKLER  
Professor of Law

Professor Winkler was appointed to the national board of directors of the American Constitution Society. He participated in UCLA School of Law’s own “Whither the Court” panel reviewing the previous U.S. Supreme Court term in September of 2015. He brought U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer to campus in September of 2015 for a Conversation with the Dean and private meeting with selected students, and hosted a special session of the Federal Election Commission at UCLA Law in October 2015. He wrote op-eds for publications including: the Washington Post, The New York Times, The Atlantic and the Los Angeles Times.

Publications

NOAH ZATZ  
Professor of Law

Professor Zatz has been awarded an Open Society Foundations Fellowship, which supports individuals pursuing innovative and unconventional approaches to fundamental open society challenges. In March 2016, Professor Zatz submitted detailed comments to California’s Fair Employment and Housing Council with regard to its proposed Consideration of Criminal History in Employment Decisions Regulations. Several of his recommendations were adopted in subsequent proposals. He wrote op-eds for publications including the Los Angeles Times, Talk Poverty, On Labor and American Constitutions Society blog.

Publications
► “Get To Work or Go To Jail: Workplace Rights Under Threat” (with Tia Koonse, Theresa Zhen, Lucero Herrera, Han Lu, Steven Shafer, and Blake Valenta), UCLA Institute for Research on Labor and Employment, A New Way of Life Reentry Project (March 2016).

ERIC ZOLT  
Michael H. Schill Distinguished Professor of Law


Publications
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KRISTEN EICHENSEHR
Assistant Professor of Law

Kristen Eichensehr is Assistant Professor of Law. Her primary research and teaching interests center on international, foreign relations, and national security law issues, including cybersecurity.

Eichensehr is a graduate of Harvard University, the University of Cambridge, and Yale Law School. During law school, Eichensehr served as Executive Editor of the Yale Law Journal and Articles Editor of the Yale Journal of International Law. Before joining the UCLA faculty, Eichensehr clerked for Chief Judge Merrick B. Garland of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and for Justices Sandra Day O’Connor and Sonia Sotomayor of the Supreme Court of the United States. Eichensehr also served as Special Assistant to the Legal Adviser of the U.S. Department of State and practiced at Covington & Burling LLP in Washington, D.C., where she specialized in appellate litigation, international and national security law, and cybersecurity issues. Eichensehr is a term member of the Council on Foreign Relations, a former visiting fellow at the Hoover Institution, and a member of the International Law Association’s Study Group on Cybersecurity, Terrorism, and International Law.

Eichensehr’s recent scholarship has appeared or is forthcoming in the Virginia Law Review, the Georgetown Law Journal, the Texas Law Review, and the American Journal of International Law.
KERITH CONRON

Blachford-Cooper Distinguished Scholar and Research Director of the Williams Institute

Kerith Conron is the Blachford-Cooper Distinguished Scholar and Research Director of the Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation Law and Public Policy. She was previously a researcher and faculty scholar with the Fenway Institute in Boston and the Institute on Urban Health Research at Northeastern University. She is a social and psychiatric epidemiologist whose work focuses on documenting and reducing health inequities that impact LGBTQ populations. She earned her doctorate from the Harvard School of Public Health and Master’s degree from the Boston University School of Public Health.

ALLISON KORN

Clinical Director, Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy

Allison Korn is the Clinical Director for the Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy. She will teach Introduction to the Lawyer-Client Relationship and Food Law Clinic. Korn’s focus is on law, policy, and practices that impact vulnerable individuals’ and communities’ access to justice. Korn previously was a clinical teaching fellow at the University of Baltimore School of Law, where she co-taught Family Law Clinic. She also taught at the University of Mississippi School of Law, and was a member of the first class of family defense attorneys at the Bronx Defenders in New York. She is a graduate of Roanoke College. She earned her J.D. from the University of Mississippi School of Law, where she co-founded the Student Hurricane Network, which sought to advance social justice in communities affected by hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

TAMI K. LEFKO

Lecturer in Law

Tami K. Lefko is of counsel at Progress LLP. From 2010 to 2014, Lefko was the Director of Legal Research and Writing at Vanderbilt Law School. Previously, she served as associate director of LL.M. Legal Writing and Advocacy and as adjunct assistant professor of Legal Writing and Advocacy at the University of Southern California Gould School of Law. She earned her J.D. from Harvard Law School, where she was an executive editor of the Harvard Law Review.

ANDREA MATSUOKA ’12

Lecturer in Law

Andrea Matsuoka will teach Lawyering Skills to first year students. She is currently Staff Attorney at Legal Services of Northern California (LSNC) where she works with clients and communities to solve housing, income, employment, health, and education problems. Before working at LSNC, Matsuoka clerked for Judge Harry Pregerson of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. She earned her J.D. from UCLA School of Law (Order of the Coif) where she served as Articles Editor of UCLA Law Review and Writing Advisor for the Lawyering Skills Program.

AYAKO MIYASHITA

Director, Los Angeles HIV Law and Policy Project Sears Law Teaching Fellow, The Williams Institute

Ayako Miyashita is the director of the Los Angeles HIV Law and Policy Project and is the Sears Law Teaching Fellow for the Williams Institute for 2016-2017. She teaches Interviewing and Counseling: HIV Clinic, a seminar on HIV/AIDS Law and Public Policy, and Introduction to the Lawyer-Client Relationship. Her research focuses on law and policy matters that impact people living with HIV. She earned her B.A. from UC Santa Cruz and J.D. from UC Berkeley School of Law. She was a law clerk the East Bay Community Law Center, a staff attorney at the AIDS Legal Referral Panel in San Francisco, and worked at the Inner City Law Center in Los Angeles.

FACULTY :: NEW VISITING PROFESSORS FOR 2016-17

SUSAN SMITH BAKHSHIAN

Visiting Professor (Fall 2016)

Susan Bakhshian will teach Remedies in Fall 2016. She is currently clinical professor and director of bar programs at Loyola Law School, where she has been a member of the faculty since 1997. Bakhshian received her B.S. summa cum laude from California State University, Northridge and her J.D. magna cum laude from Loyola Law School, and was elected...
to the Order of the Coif. After law school, Bakhshian practiced with a Los Angeles law firm as a trial attorney, representing clients in a variety of environmental and general litigation matters. Before joining the faculty at Loyola, Bakhshian taught at Whittier Law School.

ELLIOTT DORFF  
*Visiting Professor (Spring 2017)*

Elliot Dorff is a Visiting Professor of Law at UCLA School of Law and Distinguished Professor of Philosophy at the American Jewish University. At UCLA he will teach a course in Jewish Law and Religious Legal Systems. At the Jewish Theological Seminary he was part of an intensive program in Talmud, and he earned his Ph.D. in Philosophy from Columbia University. Since then he has directed the rabbinical and master’s degree programs at the American Jewish University, where he currently is Rector and Sol and Anne Dorff Distinguished Professor of Philosophy. Rabbi Dorff holds four honorary doctorates, has published 13 books and over 200 articles on Jewish thought, law and ethics, and he has edited or co-edited another 14 books on those topics.

CHRISTOPHER ESSERT  
*Visiting Professor (January Term 2017)*

Christopher Essert is a visiting professor at UCLA School of Law. He will teach Homelessness during the January 2017 term. He is an associate professor at Queen’s University Faculty of Law. Prior to joining Queen’s Law, he was Visiting Doctoral Fellow at the Centre for Ethics at the University of Toronto, and he also served as a law clerk at the Supreme Court of Canada. Essert received his B.A. from McGill University, his J.D. from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law, and both his LL.M. and J.S.D. from Yale Law School.

FRANCES H. FOSTER  
*Visiting Professor (Spring 2017)*

Frances Foster will teach Wills and Trusts in Spring 2017. She is the Edward T. Foote II Professor of Law at Washington University School of Law. She specializes in trusts and estates law and the legal systems of socialist and former socialist countries. Foster received an A.B. *magna cum laude* in Slavic Languages and Literatures from Princeton University, an M.A. in International Relations and a J.D. from Yale University, and a J.S.D. from Stanford University. She has taught at Cornell Law School, Stanford Law School, and the University of Michigan Law School. She also has been a research fellow at Harvard Law School’s East Asian Legal Studies Program, a fellow of Harvard University’s Russian Research Center, and a member of the ABA Task Force on Cuban Technical Assistance.

JANE L. HENNING ’85  
*Visiting Professor (Fall 2016)*

Jane Henning will teach Civil Procedure in Fall 2016. She is currently professor-in-residence at the University of San Diego School of Law, where she teaches civil procedure, animal law, and cyberspace law. She received a B.A. in English with high honors from University of California, Riverside, a J.D. from UCLA School of Law, and an M.A. in Comparative Literature from University of California, Irvine. After law school, Henning clerked for the Honorable John Davies of the United States District Court in Los Angeles. She then joined Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom, specializing in securities litigation. She then served as judicial clerk for the Honorable Robert J. Timlin. Before joining academia full-time, she worked at Jones Day Reavis & Pogue, practicing in the area of patent litigation. She taught at the University of Dayton School of Law before joining USD.

BENJAMIN KLEIN  
*Visiting Professor (Fall 2016)*

Benjamin Klein will co-teach Antitrust Law with Professor Mark Grady during Fall 2016. Klein is currently a professor emeritus of economics at UCLA. He has been a professor at UCLA since 1968. He has also been a senior consultant at Compass Lexecon since 2009. Professor Klein received his B.A. *cum laude* in Philosophy from Brooklyn College, City University of New York, and his M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics from University of Chicago. He has published widely on antitrust, contract and intellectual property issues, has taught at the Economics Institute for Federal Judges, served as a consultant to the U.S. Federal Trade Commission and the Antitrust Division of the U.S. Department of Justice, and has testified before the U.S. Congress.
NANCY POLIKOFF  
Visiting Professor (Spring 2017)

Nancy Polikoff is professor of law at American University Washington College of Law, where she teaches Family Law and Sexuality and the Law. She visited UCLA for 2011-12 as the McDonald/Wright Chair in Law and faculty chair of the Williams Institute. Before joining the Washington College of Law faculty in 1987, she co-founded the Washington, D.C. Feminist Law Collective and then supervised family law programs at the Women’s Legal Defense Fund (now the National Partnership on Women and Families). In 1976, she co-authored one of the first law review articles on custody rights of lesbian mothers. Polikoff holds a J.D. from Georgetown and a Masters Degree in Women’s Studies from George Washington University.

LAWRENCE G. SAGER  
Visiting Professor (Spring 2017)

Lawrence Sager, one of the nation’s preeminent constitutional theorists and scholars and the Jane Drysdale Sheffield regents chair at the University of Texas, Austin, will return to UCLA School of Law as a distinguished visiting professor in 2017 and 2018. Sager will make a presentation during the January session and return for full semester visits in Spring 2017 and Spring 2018. In January 2016, Sager participated in a public conversation with Pete Kameron Professor of Law and Social Justice and Professor of Philosophy Seana Shiffrin. In April 2016, he presented his paper, “Putting Law in Its Place.”

LORI SANTIKIAN  
Visiting Professor (Fall 2016)

Lori Santikian will teach Corporate Finance: Securities Markets and Corporate Valuation in Fall 2016. She is currently an associate adjunct professor in the strategy group at UCLA Anderson School of Management. Her research focuses in the areas of organizational economics, empirical corporate finance, and financial intermediation. She was previously an assistant professor of finance and business economics at USC Marshall School of Business. Santikian received both her B.A. magna cum laude in Applied Mathematics and her B.A. summa cum laude in Economics from UC Berkeley. She earned her Ph.D. and M.A. in Economics from Harvard University.

THOMAS S. ULEN  
Visiting Professor (January Term 2017)

Thomas Ulen will teach Law and Economics in the January 2017 term. He is the Swandlund Professor Emeritus at University of Illinois College of Law. He has recently completed work on two new books, Cognition, Rationality, and the Law (with Russell Korobkin; University of Chicago Press) and Foundations of Environmental Policy (with John B. Braden, Edward Elgar Publishers, Ltd.). His book, Law and Economics (with Robert Cooter), now in its fourth edition, has been translated into Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, Korean, French and Russian. Ulen received his B.A. from Dartmouth College; his M.A. from St. Catherine’s College, University of Oxford; and his Ph.D. in Economics from Stanford University.

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NICHOLAS BRYNER  
Emmett/Frankel Fellow in Environmental Law and Policy

Nicholas Bryner is an Emmett/Frankel Fellow in Environmental Law and Policy for 2016-2018. He recently served as visiting associate professor and environmental law fellow at George Washington University Law School (August 2014-June 2016) where he co-taught courses on environmental and natural resources law. Bryner received his B.A. magna cum laude in Political Science from the University of Utah, with minors in Latin American Studies and Chemistry. He also earned joint degrees (J.D. / M.A.) in Law and Latin American and Hemispheric Studies from the George Washington University Law School and Elliott School of International Affairs.

CHARLEEN HSUAN  
Health Law Fellow

Charleen Hsuan is a Health Law Fellow. Her work focuses on how laws and the legal structure of the health care system affect access to care. She received her B.S. from Yale University, her Ph.D. from the UCLA Fielding School of Public Health and her J.D. from the Columbia School of Law. During law school, she was executive managing editor of the Columbia Journal of Law and Social Problems. She practiced law at Goodwin Procter, where her clients were primarily pharmaceutical companies and emerging biotechnology companies.
EMILY MURPHY
Program on Understanding Law, Science & Evidence (PULSE) Fellow

Emily Murphy is a Program on Understanding Law, Science and Evidence Fellow. She will teach Law & Neuroscience. A litigator at Munger, Tolles & Olson, Murphy earned her A.B. magna cum laude from Harvard University, her Ph.D. in from University of Cambridge, Trinity College, as a Gates Cambridge Scholar, and her J.D. from Stanford Law School. Prior to law school she was a postdoc with Stanford Law School’s Center for Law and the Bionsciences as well as the MacArthur Foundation’s Law and Neuroscience Project. Following law school, she clerked for the Honorable Richard A. Paez of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

SILVANA NAGUIB
Postdoctoral Fellow in Public Interest Law

Silvana Naguib is a Postdoctoral Fellow in Public Interest Law at UCLA School of Law for 2016-2017 and 2017-18. Naguib earned her J.D. at the Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law. Afterwards, she was awarded a prestigious Equal Justice Works Fellowship to pursue legal services work in a range of areas in Chicago, then obtained a position at the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia, where she specialized in the prevention of involuntary medication of criminal defendants and for early intervention of mental health counseling to secure release of incompetent criminal defendants, as well as work in the appellate division.

JYOTI NANDA
Binder Clinical Teaching Fellow

Jyoti Nanda is a Binder Clinical Teaching Fellow for 2016-2018. A past co-faculty director of the Critical Race Studies Program and core faculty of the David J. Epstein Public Interest Law Program, her scholarship interests are in civil rights, social justice advocacy and the ways in which children and youth intersect with the juvenile justice system.

DAVID SIMSON ’13
Bernard A. and Lenore S. Greenberg Law Review Fellow

David Simson is the Bernard A. and Lenore S. Greenberg Law Review Fellow for 2016-2018. Simson previously worked as an associate at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP. Simson received his B.S.B.A. in International Business summa cum laude from the University of Denver and his J.D. from UCLA School of Law (Order of the Coif). While at law school, Simson served as senior editor for the UCLA Law Review.

MORAN YAHAV
Postdoctoral Fellow in Law and Philosophy

Moran Yahav is a Postdoctoral Fellow in Law and Philosophy at UCLA School of Law for 2017-2018. Her research and teaching interests are primarily in legal and political philosophy, administrative law and regulation, international humanitarian law, and national security law. She earned her LL.B. magna cum laude from Tel Aviv University School of Law, and her LL.M. in Legal Theory as well as her J.S.D. (expected 2016) from New York University School of Law.

ARIEL ZYLBERMAN
Postdoctoral Fellow in Law and Philosophy

Ariel Zylberman is a fellow in Law and Philosophy for 2016-2018. He is currently a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Philosophy at Simon Fraser University. Zylberman received his B.A. in Philosophy with Honors from the University of Winnipeg, and his B.A. in Philosophy and Politics from Oxford University. He earned his Ph.D. in Philosophy at the University of Toronto. His honors include a Rhodes Scholarship from Oxford University.
UCLA Law Faculty Books in Brief

Richard H. Steinberg, Editor

*Contemporary Issues Facing the International Criminal Court*
Brill/Nijhoff (2016)

*Contemporary Issues Facing the International Criminal Court* is a collection of essays by prominent international criminal law commentators, responsive to questions of interest to the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court. Topics include Jurisdiction: The 2008-2009 Gaza Issue; The Obligation to Arrest in the Darfur Context; Appropriate Limitations on Oversight; The ICC and Prevention of Crimes; Reparations; Proving Mass Rape; Focus on Africa; and Increasing Rates of Apprehension and Arrest.

Steinberg is a professor of law and a professor of political science who teaches in the areas of international law and international relations. He is founding editor-in-chief of www.ICCforum.com.


Neil Weinstock Netanel

*From Maimonides to Microsoft*

*The Jewish Law of Copyright Since the Birth of Print*

Oxford University Press (2016)

*From Maimonides to Microsoft* traces the development of Jewish copyright law by relaying the stories of five dramatic disputes from the 16th century to the present, describing the disputes in historical context and examining the rabbinical rulings that sought to resolve them. Examining this body of copyright jurisprudence, the book also compares Jewish copyright law with its Anglo-American and Continental European counterparts.

Netanel is the Pete Kameron Endowed Chair in Law and teaches in the areas of copyright, international intellectual property, and media and telecommunications.


Joshua Foa Dienstag

*Cinema, Democracy and Perfectionism*

Manchester University Press (2016)

In the lead essay for this volume, Joshua Foa Dienstag engages in a critical encounter with the work of Stanley Cavell on cinema, focusing skeptical attention on the claims made for the contribution of cinema to the ethical character of democratic life. Additional essays respond to Dienstag’s critique and address topics including the phenomenology of the political and a cinematic response to pessimism.

Dienstag is a professor of law and political science who teaches on the political theory of the founders and other topics at the intersection of law, politics and philosophy.

http://www.manchesteruniversitypress.co.uk/9781784994013/

Michael T. Roberts

*Food Law in the United States*

Cambridge University Press (2016)

As the modern food system continues to transform what we eat — its composition, taste, availability, value, and appearance — consumers are increasingly confronted by legal and regulatory issues that affect them on a daily basis. *Food Law in the United States* addresses these issues in a comprehensive, systematic manner that lays out the national legal framework for the regulation of food and the legal tools that fill gaps in this framework, including litigation, state law and private standards. Topics include commerce, food safety, marketing, nutrition, and emerging food systems issues such as local food, sustainability, security, urban agriculture, and equity.

Roberts is an adjunct faculty member and the founding executive director of the Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy at UCLA School of Law.

A team of students aiming to address a critical issue for nursing home patients and the healthcare industry took home $100,000 and the chance to advance their start-up business in UCLA School of Law’s inaugural Lowell Milken Institute-Sandler Prize for New Entrepreneurs in 2016. The $100,000 prize is the largest entrepreneurship award made by any law school.

The contest is sponsored by Lowell Milken ’73, the financier and philanthropist whose groundbreaking $10 million gift in 2011 established the Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy at UCLA Law, and his longtime business associate Richard Sandler ’73 of Maron & Sandler.

“I want law students to have exposure to multiple career possibilities — to acquire the skills and confidence to explore new territory and to work at the vanguard of where innovation is happening,” Milken said.

Five teams competed in 2016, presenting detailed business plans and answering a host of questions from a panel of experienced judges. The winner was Team pasCARE, which is developing and marketing a medical device that notifies caregivers when a bed-ridden patient is at risk for developing pressure ulcers, commonly known as bedsores. Pressure ulcers are a frequent problem for elderly patients. Medical researchers have estimated that hospital stays related to pressure ulcers cost patients and insurers in the United States more than $10 billion a year.

Jonathan Lavi ’16, who joined researchers from the university’s engineering school on Team pasCARE, said examining regulatory hurdles, financing, the medical device marketplace and other aspects of launching the business was invaluable.

“This incredible opportunity taught me how to use my legal skills to find practical solutions to real-world problems in a dynamic, entrepreneurial setting,” he said.

Milken Institute Executive Director Joel Feuer said emphasis on entrepreneurship is vital for today’s lawyers. “Start-ups are increasingly important to Southern California, and lawyers advising them need to understand corporate law, tax law, intellectual property law, employment law and securities law, to name a few,” he said.

The LMI-Sandler Prize, he says, is a proving ground. “In the competition, law students have to work with a team on a complex project, with many moving parts — technical, financial, legal, regulatory and operational. This is exactly the situation that lawyers face daily.”

Sandler said his goal is to encourage law students to stretch themselves and realize their fullest potential. “Lawyers are uniquely positioned to leverage their training to have impact in every field imaginable... No matter what they end up doing, students who participate (in the contest) learn to appreciate what it takes to be an entrepreneur.”

Celaena Powder ’16, a member of a team developing a start-up aimed at taming the influence of super PACs on the electoral process, said the 2016 competition “left me with a desire to work in the start-ups and venture capital sector, whether it be through the practice of law or by embracing my own entrepreneurial spirit.”

For more on the LMI-Sandler prize, visit lowellmilkeninstitute.law.ucla.edu.
**Roundtable: Opportunities and Challenges for Women in Business Law**

UCLA Law students gained a great opportunity to learn the opportunities and challenges for women practicing business law at a roundtable with three attorneys from the Los Angeles office of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP. At the roundtable, sponsored by the Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy and held in September 2015, Sullivan & Cromwell partners Alison Ressler and Rita-Anne O’Neill, as well as associate Antonia Stamenova-Dancheva, provided insights from their work in mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance and complex commercial litigation, and answered questions from students on work-life balance and other issues.

**LMI Hosts First Intramural Transactional Law Meet**

In March, 12 teams of UCLA School of Law students took part in the school’s inaugural Intramural Transactional Law Meet. The competition required students to draft an indemnification agreement to a pre-existing stock purchase agreement, allowing them to practice their negotiation and transactional drafting skills.

Throughout the competition, students were given in-person and online trainings, as well as access to online self-study materials.

The winning team for Best Draft included Alex Chen LLM ’16, Gemma Karapetyan ’16 and Kimberley Johnson ’17. The team that won the award for Best Negotiation included Chadwick McCombs ’17, Dominic Althoff ’17 and Katherine Yang ’18.

**LMI Report Focuses on Public Pension Plans**

In May the Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy released its 2016 Private Fund Report, *Public Pension Plans and Private Funds — Common Goals, Conflicting Interests*, in conjunction with hosting its Private Fund Conference. The report and conference examined some of the challenging aspects of the relationship between public pension funds and private funds, including highly-charged topics such as fees and expenses charged by private funds, and whether and how private funds make it more difficult for public pension funds to fulfill their fiduciary duties to their beneficiaries.
UCLA Law Students Win 7th Annual Transactional LawMeet

Three UCLA Law students — Jeffrey Brandt ’16, Christine M. Ristow ’17 and Matthew J. Weber ’16 — were named national champions in the Seventh Annual Transactional LawMeet. The final round of the national negotiation competition was held in April in New York and hosted by the law office of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP.

The students worked as a team to draft a transactional agreement and negotiate the merger of two emerging technology companies. A total of 84 teams participated in the regional competition, with 14 teams selected to compete live in the national rounds.

The Transactional LawMeet is the premier “moot court” experience for students interested in a transactional practice, designed to give them a hands-on opportunity to develop and hone two critical transactional lawyering skills: drafting contract provisions and negotiating those provisions within the bounds of the client’s instructions. The teams were judged by a panel of experts.

The winning UCLA Law team was supported by the law school’s Lowell Milken Institute for Business Law and Policy. The Lowell Milken Institute organized the team, arranged for coaches and provided financial support for travel. The team was coached by Professor Michael Woronoff and alumnus Payom Pirahesh ’11.

Aguirre Receives ‘30 Under 30’ Award

Emilie Aguirre, researcher and policy fellow at the Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy, was named in June as one of the University of California’s Global Food Initiative “30 Under 30” Award recipients. The award honors the contributions of outstanding young researchers and innovators working to resolve the global food crisis.

Aguirre, 29, has dedicated her career to researching advanced solutions for a more equitable, sustainable, and transparent global food system. As an academic fellow at the Resnick Program, Aguirre teaches food law courses and has worked to launch a legal intake and referral service for nonprofit organizations and small businesses working to provide healthy, sustainable food production.
Resnick Program Releases Report: The Role Law Schools Can Play in Improving Food System Inequities

As part of the UC Global Food Initiative, UCLA Law’s Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy released a report on the opportunity for law schools to address the social, economic and environmental injustices in our current food system more visibly and holistically.

“Food Equity, Social Justice and the Role of Law Schools: A Call to Action” provides an overview of inequities in the food system, highlights case studies of law school activities from across the country that are contributing to a more equitable food system and specifies ways to incorporate issues of food equity into law school curricula and student experiences.

Injustice and unfairness exist at all points along the food supply chain, with marginalized groups bearing greater burdens of the food system and also receiving fewer benefits than more advantaged groups. One of the Resnick Program report’s overarching recommendations is to frame engagement in food equity issues as an opportunity for students to enlist in experiential learning and to recognize how their law degree can be a powerful tool for improving the food system.

For law schools, engagement in food equity issues is also an opportunity to provide students with the skills to be leaders and problem solvers in a developing and complex area and to try legal approaches that they can then take with confidence into other arenas in their careers.

The UC Global Food Initiative challenges UC campuses to develop sustainable and nutritious solutions to feed a world population expected to reach eight billion by 2025.

Resnick Program Co-hosts Food Safety Conference in China

Addressing pressing issues in the global food chain, the UCLA School of Law’s Resnick Program for Food Law and Policy co-hosted a five-day China Food Safety Governance Initiative Workshop in Shanghai in May. Co-hosts included Renmin University School of Law, China’s top-ranked law school, and East China University of Science and Technology School of Law (ECUST), the leading law school in Shanghai on food regulation.

More than 100 attendees participated in the workshop, where food safety experts from the United States and China presented on topics including corporate social responsibility; how to create a sustainable and effective food safety culture from the farm to the plate; and the differences between Chinese and Western approaches to managing food safety. Presenters included Resnick Program Executive Director Michael T. Roberts, representatives from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and its Chinese equivalent, leaders from Renmin and ECUST, as well as private sector food production and distribution experts from Walmart, the China National Food Industry Association and elsewhere.
Emmett Institute Participates in Landmark Climate Talks

Last fall, experts from UCLA Law’s Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment joined world leaders, scientists and activists for the 21st Conference of the Parties to the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change, or COP21. Held in Paris from November 30 through December 11, the climate talks resulted in an historic accord designed to stave off the worst consequences of climate change in coming years.

Led by Cara Horowitz, Andrew Sabin Family Foundation Co-Executive Director of the Emmett Institute and an authority on federal climate policy and local sustainability, the UCLA Law contingent included four additional climate and law experts (Ann Carlson, Shirley Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law and Emmett Institute faculty co-director; Edward Parson, Dan and Rae Emmett Professor of Environmental Law and faculty co-director; James Salzman, Donald Bren Distinguished Professor of Environmental Law James Salzman; and Professor Alex Wang) and seven students.

Partnering with Islands First, which assists small, developing island nations with international negotiations, the UCLA Law group provided critical support to the delegation of Palau, an island state in Micronesia.

“These islands...often come into these international conferences without the legal resources, manpower or expertise to be on an even footing with some larger parties,” Horowitz said. “Some of them are entirely within two to three meters of sea level, so they have a tremendous amount at stake in these talks.”

In addition to attending sessions at the conference, the UCLA Law students reported back on meetings that governmental members of the delegation were unable to attend, keeping them abreast of fast-moving developments. Horowitz’s students played a similar role at previous U.N. climate conferences, including 2014 talks in Lima, Peru.

The meeting represents the culmination of an ongoing effort to strengthen international climate agreements that began with the adoption of the Durban Platform for Enhanced Action in 2011. In contrast to the Kyoto Protocol, which was organized around a top-down approach (where national governments committed to specified numerical reductions in their countries’ emissions), COP21 established a bottom-up framework focused on intended nationally determined contributions (INDCs), wherein countries agreed to outline publicly the climate actions they intend to take.

The deal struck at COP21 was signed by nearly 200 nations and set emission targets to put a cap on increasing global temperatures. “For the first time, we have a structure where every country is really pledging to reduce its emissions,” Horowitz noted in an interview with Southern California Public Radio. The agreement came on the heels of the hottest year in recorded history.

With emission cuts set to begin in 2020, Horowitz said, it will take time to evaluate the deal’s full impact. “In two or three years, we’ll have a sense of whether it’s true that this agreement sent a signal — not just to countries, to but cities, to states and even to some of the world’s institutional investors — that the world is ready to move beyond fossil fuels.”
A Comprehensive Approach to Greenhouse Gas Emissions

In January the Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment and partners at Columbia Law School and New York University School of Law released a detailed report on creating an economy-wide, market-based program to reduce domestic greenhouse gas emissions under the Clean Air Act. Legal Pathways to Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions Under Section 115 of the Clean Air Act concludes that using Section 115 of the act — which addresses international air pollution — is both legally defensible and a smart policy choice for reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Noting that localized greenhouse gas emissions contribute to global climate change, and citing international pledges for reductions in greenhouse gases made at the 2015 United Nations Climate Change Conference, the report asserts that under Section 115, the Environmental Protection Agency can design an emissions program that has more broad impact than issuing sector-by-sector regulations and provides more efficacy and efficiency for regulated businesses, federal and state regulators and the public at large. The report also asserts the EPA can take these steps without requiring congressional action.

Ann Carlson, faculty co-director of the Emmett Institute and the Shirley Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law at UCLA, was one of the lead authors of the report.

UCLA Law Student Receives Inaugural Sustainable LA Grand Challenge Fellowship

UCLA Law student Sunny Tsou ’16 was selected as one of the inaugural UCLA Sustainable LA Grand Challenge Powell Policy Fellows. He was awarded the fellowship for Spring 2016 quarter to conduct a study on energy storage issues in Los Angeles.

Tsou, a fellow with the law school’s Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, received the honor in support of his research project, “The Potential of Energy Storage Systems: Analyzing How Los Angeles Can Access and Implement This Emerging Technology.” He was assisted by Shirley Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law Ann Carlson, the Emmett Institute’s faculty co-director.

The UCLA Grand Challenges initiative, established in 2012, connects faculty, students and supporters from all disciplines to work together to solve critical issues. The Sustainable LA Grand Challenge is focused on transitioning Los Angeles to 100 percent renewable energy, 100 percent locally sourced water and enhanced ecosystem health by 2050, starting with an implementation plan that will be delivered by 2020.

The fellowship is made possible through a generous gift from Norman J. Powell. Matching funds are also provided by the Emmett Family Foundation and the UCLA Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research.

Professor Ann Carlson Lectures on Energy in Germany, Russia

Ann Carlson, Shirley Shapiro Professor of Environmental Law and faculty co-director of the Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, gave a series of lectures in the past year to policymakers, environmental economists and leaders of non-governmental organizations in Russia and Germany about U.S. climate and energy policy. Carlson was invited to give the talks by the U.S. State Department and the American embassies in the two countries.

Carlson spoke at several events in Germany this summer, addressing climate policy as well as regulation of the transportation sector in light of the Volkswagen auto emissions scandal. Volkswagen reached a $14.7 billion settlement in June with U.S. regulators, 44 states and private plaintiffs over revelations that the company installed technology in nearly 500,000 diesel vehicles to cheat on emissions tests. But similar agreements have not been forged in other Volkswagen markets, including the European Union.

In October 2015, Carlson spoke in Moscow and was the keynote speaker at a conference on cap-and-trade policy at Altai Technical University in Barnaul, Siberia.
UCLA Hosts 40th Annual Entertainment Law Symposium

UCLA School of Law celebrated its 40th Entertainment Law Symposium — and the first officially presented by the school’s Ziffren Center for Media, Entertainment, Technology and Sports Law — in March 2016.

The symposium, a flagship event for the industry, brings leading lawyers, executives, agents, managers and producers together with students for candid discussions on cutting-edge issues. This 2016 event offered presentations and panel discussions on topics including evolving data and technology trends and what they mean for content and business; the implications of China’s investment in Hollywood; recent bankruptcies in the entertainment industry; practical tips from studio labor negotiators; emerging streaming services; and litigation and copyright updates.

The event was held at the Ralph Freud Playhouse at the UCLA School of Theater, Film and Television.

The keynote discussion featured Kenneth Ziffren, founding partner of Ziffren Brittenham LLP and founder of the Ziffren Center for Media, Entertainment, Technology and Sports Law at UCLA Law; and Anne Sweeney, a member of the board at Netflix, formerly the co-chair of Disney Media Works and president of the Disney/ABC Television Group.

Other presenters, panelists and panel moderators included entertainment law partners from several top law firms, representatives of film and television studios, and academics including UCLA Law Professor Douglas Lichtman, who specializes in intellectual property, and Professor Emeritus Paul Bergman, who regularly taught Film and the Law before his retirement. Bergman is the co-author of Reel Justice: The Courtroom Goes to the Movies.

SYMPOSIUM:
The Worldwide Migration Crisis

In February the UCLA School of Law’s Journal of International Law and Foreign Affairs brought together leading academics in the fields of immigration, human rights and international law in a symposium to discuss “The Worldwide Migration Crisis.” The current migrations of people from regions suffering war, civil unrest and poverty represent an unprecedented challenge to people and countries across the globe.

T. Alexander Aleinikoff, a professor at Georgetown University Law Center and former United Nations Deputy High Commissioner for Refugees, provided the keynote address for the event. The symposium explored the policy and legal implications of steps taken by governments and organizations in response to the influx of migrants, shedding light on migration not only as events to be dealt with on a regional scale, but as a worldwide issue where lessons can be drawn from differing legal and political responses. The symposium featured three panels: On the Americas; On Europe, the Middle East and North Africa; and On Southeast Asia and Oceania. The event was sponsored by UCLA School of Law, the UCLA Graduate Students Association, and the UCLA Burkle Center for International Relations.
Green and Nimmer Memorial Lectures Focus on Trial Work, First Amendment

Renowned First Amendment scholar Eugene Volokh ’92, UCLA Law’s Gary T. Schwartz Professor of Law, offered the Melville B. Nimmer Memorial Lecture in November 2015. The talk, titled “Freedom of Speech and Bad Intentions,” addressed the intersection of First Amendment protections and controversial forms of speech, including various types of harassment and threats, photos meant to scandalize, and dissemination of information about how to make bombs or commit other crimes.

In April 2016, veteran litigator Mark D. Baute ’86 presented the Irving H. Green Memorial Lecture. The founder and managing partner of Baute Crochetiere & Gilford, Baute’s topic was “Jury Trials: What Is Really Happening in Business Jury Trials in State and Federal Court, and the Steps a Young Lawyer Can Take to Become a Trial Lawyer.” Baute has served as counsel in more than 50 jury trials, ranging from long-cause antitrust and racketeering cases to breach of contract and professional liability matters as well as criminal prosecutions. He outlined the steps young lawyers can take to have an active and meaningful role in trials early in their careers, and addressed the dynamics of commercial litigation in state and federal courthouses.

Irving Green was a storied trial attorney in Los Angeles from the 1950s to the 1980s.

Melville Nimmer was a leading scholar on copyright law and a distinguished professor at UCLA School of Law.

International Humanitarian Law Moot Court Competitions

UCLA School of Law’s International and Comparative Law Program sent teams of students to both the Jean Pictet International Humanitarian Law Pleading Competition and the Clara Barton International Humanitarian Law Competition in 2016. Both simulation-based legal competitions require students to apply international humanitarian law to real-life situations. Teams are evaluated on their theoretical knowledge and practical understanding of international humanitarian law, and their ability to use the law in the context of the broader international political system.

After months of intense preparation, in early March 2016 the Clara Barton team, comprised of Isaac Brown ’17, Shirin Tavakoli ’17 and Chris Young ’17, travelled to Seattle to compete against student teams from 15 other law schools and military academies from around the United States and Canada. The team received an award for “Excellence in Research and Written Advocacy.” In late March 2016, the Jean Pictet team, comprised of Cristian Gonzalez ’17, Emily Michael ’17 and Sydney Sherman ’17, travelled to Evian-les-Bains, France, to compete against 48 student teams from around the world.

PULSE symposium: At the Cutting Edge of Law and Technology

Exploring the farthest reaches of what rapid technological change might mean for the law, in April UCLA School of Law hosted Imagining the Legal Landscape in 2030, a scholar’s workshop organized by the Program on Understanding Law, Science & Evidence (PULSE) at UCLA. The event offered a vibrant, wide-ranging discussion about the intersection of law and technology now and in the near future.

Faculty from law schools around the country prepared short essays imagining a future scientific or technological change that could have meaningful legal implications, then opened the topic for discussion. Topics ranged from big data to robotic police, and from the prospect of perfect surveillance to the ability to pre-determine the traits of one’s offspring.

The essays prepared for the workshop, which range from traditional scholarship to works of speculative fiction, are being published in Discourse, UCLA Law Review’s online publication.

UCLA Law Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin and Assistant Professor Richard Re, co-directors of PULSE, organized the workshop, which also included a student-focused lunch discussion on issues in law and technology.
Epstein Program Speaker Series Engages Innovators in Criminal Justice, Immigration Policy

The David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy’s fall speaker series brought leading reformers from across the country to UCLA Law to discuss innovative responses to challenges confronting the criminal justice system. Speakers included Joshua Perry, executive director of the Louisiana Center for Children’s Rights, who addressed injustices in our juvenile justice systems and related reforms; Jonathan Rapping, founder and president of Gideon’s Promise and a 2014 MacArthur Foundation “Genius” Fellow, who addressed the criminal justice system’s failure to provide effective client-centered representation for indigent people; and Robin Steinberg, founder and executive director of The Bronx Defenders and a pioneer in the national movement toward a holistic model of public defense, who discussed the growing community defender movement.

In the spring, the Epstein Program sponsored its now-annual panel discussion addressing immigration law and policy. The 2016 panelists — Susan Westerberg Prager Professor of Law Hiroshi Motomura; The New York Times editorial board member Lawrence Downes and Cecillia Wang, director of the ACLU Immigrants’ Rights Project — spoke to a standing-room-only crowd about topics including the role of the immigration issue in the 2016 presidential campaign, the influence of the immigration debate and demographic changes on politics across the country, and the landscape for action on comprehensive immigration reform.

Prison Law Program Addresses Jail Reform, Realignment

The Prison Law and Policy Program, an initiative of the David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy, sponsored a series of events through the year, bringing together advocates, reformers, and scholars from across the country to discuss leading issues related to the contemporary experience of criminal punishment in the United States.

During the fall semester, in addition to hosting a roundtable discussion among leading prison law and policy and criminology scholars, the program presented talks addressing jail reform in California post-realignment. During the spring semester, events included a talk addressing the campaign to end solitary confinement in New York with leading advocate Taylor Pendergrass, senior staff attorney with the New York Civil Liberties Union; and a talk addressing the status and challenges of penal reform in the United States by leading scholar and author Marie Gottschalk of the University of Pennsylvania.

The spring semester also saw an “author meets critics” roundtable discussion addressing issues of race and prison, as well as a number of co-hosted events and initiatives. Among them: A discussion addressing California’s Proposition 21 and the prosecution and incarceration of youth in the adult prison system, with Epstein alumnus, National Center for Youth Law staff attorney and former Soros Justice Fellow Frankie Guzman ’12; and a client-centered defense training for students interested in criminal defense work; and a prisoner correspondence pro bono project.
Critical Race Symposium Takes on ‘Race, Resistance and Police Violence’

With a disturbing series of racially-charged incidents involving police roiling the nation, UCLA School of Law gathered top academics, jurists, social justice advocates and others in October 2015 for its Eighth Annual Critical Race Studies Symposium, “Race and Resistance: Against Police Violence.”

Participants included U.S. District Court Judge Shira Scheindlin of the Southern District of New York, who served as keynote speaker; and Los Angeles Superior Court Judge David S. Cunningham. Cunningham filed an excessive force lawsuit against UCLA police after a confrontational 2013 traffic stop in Westwood. As part of the university’s settlement of that case, UCLA funded scholarships for African-American students, training for campus police officers, and educational initiatives including the symposium.

Day one of the symposium opened with a roundtable on “Understanding Police Violence,” addressing the causes of police violence and the role of law enforcement and civil rights advocates in addressing the issue, as well as the ways in which police violence is implicated in immigration law, welfare policy, the school-to-prison pipeline and in policing gender and sexuality. Panelists included UCLA Distinguished Professor of Law Kimberlé Crenshaw; Rep. Karen Bass (D-Los Angeles); Harvard Law School Professor and Charles Hamilton Houston Institute for Race and Justice founder Charles Ogletree; and Povi-Tamu Bryant of Black Lives Matter.

Day two featured panels on “Causes and Consequences of Police Misconduct,” “Litigating Against Police Misconduct” and a closing roundtable on “Identifying Solutions,” each exploring the police practices that devalue communities of color, the opportunities for advocates to overcome challenges in litigation, and how to achieve sustainable change. Among the many panelists were state Sen. Holly Mitchell (D-Los Angeles), Isa Noyola of the Transgender Law Center; Shiu-Ming Cheer of the National Immigration Law Center; Los Angeles Community Action Network founder and co-director Pete White, and ACLU of California Director of Police Practices Peter Bibring.

UCLA Law faculty participating in the symposium included Crenshaw; UCLA Vice Chancellor for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and Professor of Law Jerry Kang; Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Professor in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties Cheryl Harris; The Honorable Harry Pregerson Professor of Law Devon Carbado; professors Angela Riley and Joanna Schwartz; Assistant Professor Beth Colgan; and Lecturer Jyoti Nanda.

Established in 2007, through a collaboration of Critical Race Studies students and faculty, the annual symposium is the signature event of the UCLA School of Law’s Critical Race Studies Program.
The UCLA Law Review combined study with celebration in 2015-16, focusing on cutting-edge issues in federal Indian law and honoring the career of Carole E. Goldberg, Jonathan D. Varat Distinguished Professor of Law.

The symposium explored the body of law governing the relationship between the federal government and the nearly 600 Indian nations within the United States, including implications for states’ rights, tribal law and self-determination. Topics included issues in constitutional law such as federalism, sovereignty, and equal protection; civil procedure matters including conflict of laws, subject matter jurisdiction, and venue; criminal law, including complex jurisdictional issues; as well as gaming, taxation, protection of natural resources, and international human rights law.

Leaders in Indian law from around the country came to honor Goldberg, who helped to build the field and is one of its greatest scholars.

Goldberg joined the UCLA School of Law faculty in 1972. She teaches Civil Procedure, Federal Indian Law, Tribal Legal Systems, the Tribal Legal Development Clinic, and the Tribal Appellate Court Clinic. The two clinics render legal services to Indian tribes and Indian judicial systems.

In 2006, she served as the Oneida Indian Nation Visiting Professor at Harvard Law School, and in 2007 she was appointed a Justice of the Hualapai Court of Appeals in Arizona. In 2010, President Barack Obama appointed her to the Indian Law and Order Commission, established to investigate and recommend ways to improve Indian country criminal justice.

Goldberg has twice served as associate dean for the UCLA School of Law, from 1984 to 1989 and from 1991 to 1992, respectively. She has also served as chair of the UCLA Academic Senate in 1993-1994. In 2011, she was appointed UCLA Vice Chancellor for Academic Personnel, a position she held until earlier this year.

Goldberg’s books include *Defying the Odds: The Tule River Tribe’s Struggle for Sovereignty in Three Centuries* (Yale University Press 2010, co-author Gelya Frank) and *Indian Law Stories* (Foundation Press 2011, co-edited with Kevin Washburn and Philip Frickey). She also is co-editor and co-author of *Cohen’s Handbook of Federal Indian Law*. 
Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin congratulated the Class of 2016 and reminded its members of the responsibility their degrees conferred. “As lawyers, you must recognize your potential to contribute to the greater good and your obligation to uphold justice,” she said. “Every year, we welcome students filled with a desire to make a difference. And every year, we graduate a class with the knowledge and skills to do so. As graduates of one of the greatest law schools in the country, you are on your way to becoming leaders of our profession and of our nation.”

Joining the festivities was Associate Justice of the California Supreme Court Goodwin Liu, who gave the commencement address. Liu’s remarks drew on his personal experiences as a child of immigrants and in the field of law to encourage graduates to take risks despite fear of failure. Separate from his commencement address, Justice Liu has agreed to hire Giovanni Saarman ’16, the justice’s first clerk from UCLA Law.

UC Regent John Pérez, former speaker of the California Assembly, also addressed the graduates, as did Professor Pavel Wonsowicz, selected by the graduates as Professor of the Year. Dean Mnookin asked the graduates to reflect on the moment when they first were admitted to UCLA Law. They were part of an applicant pool of more than 5,500 people seeking one of only 293 seats in the first-year class. They were later joined by 44 transfer students and 148 lawyers from 31 different countries who were enrolled in the school’s selective LL.M. program.

“You are truly on your way to being leaders,” the dean said. “As you enter the practice of law, regardless of whether you represent indigent mothers or wealthy CEOs, it will be up to you to put the knowledge you have gained here into practice. Use your expertise … to harness the transformative power of law. Use your talents to advance the common good. We have given you the tools to do this.”
Student Awarded Peggy Browning Fellowship for Workplace Justice

UCLA Law student Kathleen Foley ’18 was awarded a 10-week summer fellowship by the Peggy Browning Fund. Foley spent the fellowship working at the union-side law firm Gilbert & Sackman in Los Angeles.

Peggy Browning Fellows are distinguished students who have excelled in law school as well as demonstrated their commitment to workers’ rights through their previous educational, work, volunteer and personal experiences. The mission of the Peggy Browning Fund is to educate and inspire the next generation of advocates for workplace justice.

Prior to entering law school, Foley worked for AC Transit as a public bus operator in the San Francisco Bay Area and was a member of Amalgamated Transit Union Local 192. As a result of her first-hand experience as a labor union member and her close relationships with her coworkers, including her shop steward and mentor, Foley developed a passion for the labor movement and workers’ rights. She plans to dedicate her legal career to advancing just outcomes for unions and workers’ right to organize.

Law Faculty Help Bring Courtroom Action to UCLA Lab School Students

This spring, UCLA Law students and faculty helped give 43 sixth-grade students from UCLA’s Lab School a lesson in American jurisprudence. With the UCLA Law community’s tutelage, the young students conducted a mock trial before “Judge” Lara Stemple, director of graduate studies and of the Health and Human Rights Law Project at the law school.

Litigating a defamation case involving the plaintiff Hammurabi, King of Babylon and Mesopotamia (605-562 BC) versus the defendant, Nebuchadnezzar II, King of Babylonia and Mesopotamia (605-562 BC), the Lab School students debated whether Nebuchadnezzar’s public proclamation of superiority was actionable. After a week of instruction and preparation by UCLA Law Professor Jill Horwitz, the sixth graders acted as attorneys and witnesses on behalf of their respective “clients.”

“When I watched the trial, it was obvious to me how much the sixth graders truly understood the issues,” says Horwitz, whose son Joshua Parson is a Lab School student. “With the support of the law school students — many of whom had been teachers before coming to law school — the Lab School students were able to make arguments for their side of the case but also analyze the strengths and weaknesses of their case. We can’t wait to do it again.”

UCLA Law Receives $300,000 from Lebow Family to Support ‘Whither the Court’

UCLA School of Law has received a gift of $300,000 from the family of alumnus Allan C. Lebow to permanently sustain “Whither the Court: The Allan C. Lebow Annual Supreme Court Review,” a colloquium the school holds each fall to preview the U.S. Supreme Court’s upcoming term.

The gift creates the Allan C. Lebow Endowed Fund, which was established in memory of the 1972 graduate of the UCLA School of Law by his father Sanford Lebow, and siblings Brian, Carol and Steven Lebow. In addition, Cindy Lebow ’73, Allan Lebow’s widow, has been a strong supporter of “Whither the Court” and her late husband’s legacy at the law school.

In August 2016, the Lebow family received a warm ovation from the more than 250 people who gathered at the event. Speakers at the 2016 edition of “Whither the Court” included Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Alex Kozinski ’75, UCLA Law professors Stuart Banner and Richard Re, and UCLA Law Dean Emerita Rachel Moran.

Allan Lebow was a distinguished member of the UCLA Law Review who also received his undergraduate degree from UCLA in Political Science with honors in 1969. Following graduation, he became a partner at the Los Angeles law firm Wyman, Bautzer, Rothman and Kuchel. He died in 1978 at the age of 30 in an airplane crash while traveling to a court appearance.

“Creating a forum for active intellectual discussion and public policy arguments is a fitting tribute to Allan’s academic and professional interests and achievements,” said his father, Sanford Lebow.
Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan Hosts UCDC

In October 2015, Justice Elena Kagan invited students in the University of California Washington Program (UCDC) to get a behind-the-scenes look at the U.S. Supreme Court. More than 200 students came to hear Kagan share her experiences as one of the nation’s most influential jurists.

At the Monday Night Forum, Kagan said that the justices share close personal ties, forging friendships that transcend ideological divides. In fact, she said, the atmosphere on the Court is significantly more cordial than it would seem based on media accounts. The justices even spend time together in their off hours. Kagan noted that she and the late Justice Antonin Scalia often went hunting together.

In addition to offering insights into the Court, Kagan also imparted some key career advice, counseling students not to focus their energies on becoming a justice. Landing a job on the High Court, she pointed out, is “98 percent luck.”

UCLA School of Law has established a tuition guarantee for California resident students entering school in the current and next two academic years, ensuring that a legal education remains accessible for students and their families.

“I’m proud that we offer an absolutely stellar legal education at a lower cost than virtually all of our peer schools,” said UCLA School of Law Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin. “We are deeply committed to both excellence and access, and we hope this guarantee will provide a framework for students to accurately assess the total costs of their legal education over the full three years.”

Several top-tier law schools currently seek tuition fees of between $55,000 and $60,000 per year, meaning the total cost of attending law school can be far higher than at UCLA Law. The average annual rate of increase for most of those schools over the last several years has been between 3% and 5%. The UCLA Law guarantee assures a growth rate of no more than about 1% each year through 2018-19 (see chart).

Although students who are not currently California residents pay a higher tuition in their first year, most U.S. residents are able to qualify for California resident tuition in their second and third years of law school. For more information, visit law.ucla.edu/admissions.

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U.S. Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan.

Moderated by The Wall Street Journal Supreme Court Reporter Jess Bravin, the evening marked the fifth appearance of a Supreme Court justice at a UCDC event. Justices Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Anthony Kennedy and the late Antonin Scalia had previously spoken with UCDC students.
Gilbert Foundation Gift Supports Program in Criminal Justice

The Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation has made a gift of $450,000 to support the UCLA School of Law’s criminal justice program and the creation of a new position: The Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Foundation Executive Director of the UCLA Law Program in Criminal Justice.

The school’s programs in criminal justice foster research and discussion on a wide range of criminal justice issues, as well as sponsoring clinics, events and experiential activities.

“This generous gift will enhance the school’s already strong programs in criminal justice, ranging from a criminal defense clinic and prison law studies to education and scholarship at the intersection of criminal justice, comparative and international law, and human rights law,” said UCLA Law Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin. “We are grateful for the Gilbert Foundation’s contribution to support our efforts in this vital area.”

Professor Maximo Langer is leading the search for the executive director of the criminal justice program and will be the program’s first faculty director.

Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert, born and raised in England, immigrated to Los Angeles in 1949 and became successful entrepreneurs in real estate. The foundation established in their memory is committed to supporting organizations that promote and improve education, health, economic and cultural opportunities in California and Israel. The foundation has made several impactful gifts to UCLA, including creation of the Rosalinde and Arthur Gilbert Chair in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, which is occupied by Professor Cheryl Harris.

Emmett, Shapiro Gift Supports Environmental Law Fellows

Recognizing a pioneer in environmental justice and providing an opportunity for UCLA School of Law students to make a strong impact in environmental law, the Emmett Foundation and the Shapiro Family Charitable Foundation made a $250,000 gift to establish the Frank D. Boren Scholarships and Summer Fellowships in Environmental Law.

UCLA School of Law’s Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment will award the new fellowships to support student summer placements at the Emmett Institute or at key governmental or nonprofit groups advancing environmental law and policy. The fellowships honor attorney and environmentalist Frank D. Boren, past president and chairman of The Nature Conservancy, the world’s largest conservation organization, and co-founder of Sustainable Conservation.

Ralph J. Shapiro ’58, a past president of the UCLA School of Law Alumni Association, a member of the law school’s board of advisors and its Centennial Campaign Cabinet, said Boren’s tireless work is an inspiration.

Emmett Institute founder Dan A. Emmett said, “Frank Boren has been a luminous force for the protection of our planet, and there is no better way to honor his life’s work than by supporting those who will become the next wave of environmental law leaders.”
Alumnae Challenge Gift Boosts UCLA Law Women LEAD

UCLA School of Law received a significant challenge gift to support UCLA Law Women LEAD, an intergenerational network of law school alumnae aimed at empowering and supporting female graduates throughout their professional lives.

The gift originated with Michelle Banks ’88, co-chair of UCLA Law Women LEAD and 2016 UCLA Law Alumna of the Year, as well as other founding board members.

UCLA Law Women LEAD board members and matching donors raised nearly $180,000 in the UCLA Law Women LEAD Challenge, which launched in December 2015 and ended in June 2016. Gifts of $2,500 or more were matched on a one-to-one basis, as were gifts of any amount made by alumni who graduated between 2005 and 2015.

“Michelle’s tremendous generosity is emblematic of her character as a business leader and mentor to so many women in the legal profession, and we are very grateful to her for her support and commitment to UCLA Law Women LEAD,” stated UCLA School of Law Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin. “UCLA Law Women LEAD is an enormously exciting opportunity to connect and support our female law graduates, and to help ensure and propel their ongoing professional achievement.”

Banks is the former executive vice president, global general counsel, corporate secretary and chief compliance officer of Gap Inc. She chairs the board of directors of Minority Corporate Counsel Association.

Her co-chair at UCLA Law Women LEAD is Nancy L. Abell ’79, a partner at Paul Hastings LLP. Abell is the former global chair for the firm’s employment law department and has been widely recognized for her expertise in employment litigation, affirmative action programs and workplace rights for people with disabilities.

“Giving back is an essential part of building and extending support for women in the legal profession,” said Abell. “We hope our collective effort will make a real difference in helping to nurture and sustain other women in the field.”

UCLA Law Women LEAD will host its inaugural summit on Feb. 3, 2017. The event will take place at the UCLA School of Law and will feature appearances by Chief Justice of the State of California Tani Cantil-Sakauye, former U.S. Labor Secretary Alexis Herman and others. For more information, visit http://law.ucla.edu/leadsummit.
UCLA Law Fellows Program Awarded $125,000 by Access Group

The UCLA Law Fellows Program, which prepares high-potential undergraduate students and college graduates from diverse backgrounds for careers in law, has been awarded a $125,000 two-year grant from Access Group.

Launched in 1997, the UCLA Law Fellows Program is nationally recognized as one of the most comprehensive and innovative pipeline-building initiatives in legal education. A part of the school’s Academic Outreach Resource Center, the program includes a series of Saturday Academies in which fellows are exposed to cases and a variety of materials used in law school; seminars and panel discussions designed to demystify the law school experience; counseling, career guidance and one-on-one mentoring; and a test preparation scholarship.

Approximately 1,600 students have participated in the program, and about 600 fellows have either completed law school or are currently enrolled at law schools across the country.

“We are very excited to receive this generous grant,” stated Leo Trujillo-Cox, founding executive director of UCLA School of Law’s Academic Outreach Resource Center. “This additional support will enable us to provide UCLA Law Fellows with greater opportunities for their success.”

Access Group is a nonprofit membership organization comprised of nearly 200 nonprofit and state-affiliated American Bar Association-approved law schools. Through research, policy advocacy, and direct educational services, Access Group works to improve access to and affordability of legal education.

Two Graduating Students Receive Fellowships from Gideon’s Promise

Brittania Poon ‘16, a student in the David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy, and Han Lu ‘16, a student in the Epstein Program and the Critical Race Studies Specialization, have been named recipients of the postgraduate UCLA Gideon’s Promise Fellowship.

The Gideon’s Promise Law School Partnership Project is a three-year program that provides employment and training to recent law school graduates committed to public defense. Fellows are placed with public defender offices in the southern United States, working to improve criminal justice in areas where the need is greatest.

Poon will work for the Metropolitan Public Defender in Nashville, Tenn. Before enrolling in law school, Poon taught at a public high school in an underserved community in Los Angeles. At UCLA Law, she volunteered with the Teen Court and Education Rights clinics, and served as co-chair of the Education and Law Society. She also interned with the Children’s Defense Fund-California and the San Francisco Office of the Public Defender.

Lu will work for Orleans Public Defenders in New Orleans, La. Lu came to UCLA Law having worked as an investigator with the Louisiana Center for Children’s Rights. At UCLA Law, Lu volunteered with the student-coordinated Reentry Clinic and the National Lawyers Guild’s Venice Beach Homeless Clinic. He spent his summers in New Orleans, working with the New Orleans Workers’ Center for Racial Justice and then the Orleans Public Defenders.

Gift from Shapiro Estate Funds Fellowships at SAG-AFTRA

UCLA School of Law has received a gift of $100,000 from the estate of Vicki Lynn Shapiro, the late wife of UCLA Law alumnus Bernard Shapiro ’59, to support students pursuing work in entertainment law. The gift establishes the Vicki Lynn Shapiro Endowment to fund summer fellowships for law students at the Screen Actors Guild–American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA). Each summer, one or two Vicki Shapiro Scholars from UCLA Law will work at SAG-AFTRA, gaining experience in legal practice at one of the pivotal organizations within the entertainment field.

SAG-AFTRA represents approximately 160,000 actors, broadcast journalists, recording artists and other performers and media professionals. Vicki Shapiro began working at SAG-AFTRA in 1978, eventually becoming its legal affairs director. She also served on the SAG Foundation board of trustees.
UCLA Law 2016 Alumni of the Year Luncheon Awards Honor Lash, Banks

UCLA Law named two recipients as 2016 Alumni of the Year. Michelle Banks ’88 was honored for professional achievement, and David Lash ’80 was honored for public and community service. The annual Alumni of the Year Luncheon was held at the Millennium Biltmore Hotel in downtown Los Angeles on May 3, 2016.

Professional achievement is an understatement for Banks, who is chair of the board of directors of the Minority Corporate Counsel Association, a nonprofit that advances diversity and inclusion in corporations and their law firms. She also co-chairs and is co-founder of UCLA Law Women LEAD, which empowers and advances female students and alumnae.

Banks also increases gender equity through her work as commissioner for the American Bar Association’s Commission on Women in the Profession. Her former role as executive vice president, global general counsel, corporate secretary and chief compliance officer for global apparel retailer Gap Inc. led her to serve as the senior executive of the Alliance for Bangladesh Worker Safety, a consortium of 26 retailers.

Banks was called to the stage by Bet Tzedek Executive Director and CEO Jessie Kornberg ’07, who emphasized Banks’ unwavering commitment to mentoring future lawyers and leaders.

Dedicated to public and community service, David Lash oversees the national and international pro bono program for O’Melveny and Myers LLP as the managing counsel for pro bono and public interest services.

Under his direction, the program has received the American Bar Association’s prestigious Pro Bono Publico Award and has consistently been recognized among the top 10 pro bono programs in the United States.

O’Melveny’s pro bono efforts address issues including immigration, housing, women’s rights, foster care, veterans affairs and jail reform. O’Melveny pro bono partners include the Brennan Center for Justice, Catholic Charities, the Center for Reproductive Rights, Lambda Legal, the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, Public Counsel and many others.

Lash has been named Attorney of the Year by California Lawyer, recognized as one of the country’s top 500 lawyers by LawDragon and has received the Rose L. Schiff Commitment to Justice Award from Bet Tzedek Legal Services where Lash served as executive director before joining O’Melveny.

Lash’s daughter, Ryan Lash, made poignant remarks to the audience about the personal impact of her father’s work before Lash came to the podium to accept his award.

The Alumni of the Year Awards have been an annual tradition since 1962, honoring the extraordinary achievements of UCLA Law graduates.
18th Annual Dean’s Circle Dinner Honors Arthur Greenberg ’52

On April 19th, legal luminaries and UCLA Law boosters gathered together for the 18th Annual Dean’s Circle Dinner at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. The dinner recognized the school’s community of generous supporters and honored alumnus Arthur Greenberg ’52 with the Dean’s Circle Donor of the Year Award.

Miguel Guerra ’17, the school’s Ken and Betty Gibbs Scholar, received a warm welcome from attendees for his inspiring speech.

Greenberg, co-founder of prominent L.A. law firm Greenberg Glusker, graduated at the top of UCLA Law’s first class in 1952. He began supporting the law school in 1963 and has continued to be a champion of the school.

Dean Makes First UCLA Law Trip to Visit Alumni in China

UCLA School of Law leaders made the school’s first-ever alumni-focused visit to China in May 2016. Dean Jennifer L. Mnookin, Professor Alex Wang and Associate Dean of External Affairs Lindsey Williams connected with many of the more than 200 UCLA Law alumni working at law firms and corporations in Asia, forged relationships with leading law schools in China and met some of the school’s incoming LL.M. students for 2017.

In addition to alumni receptions hosted by top international law firms in Beijing, Hong Kong and Shanghai, the UCLA Law delegation was welcomed by law school deans and senior administrators at the China University of Political Science & Law, East China University of Science and Technology School of Law, Fudan University, Peking University, Renmin University and Tsinghua University.
Cappello Courtroom Series Addresses Oil Spill Class Action, Protecting Verdicts on Appeal

The Cappello Courtroom Series: The Art of the Trial continued into its fifth year with two lectures led by alumnus and veteran trial attorney A. Barry Cappello ’65.

In March 2016, the topic was “When Is a Multimillion Dollar Trial Verdict Worthless?” Cappello, who has tried hundreds of cases with cumulative verdicts and settlements in excess of $1 billion, was joined in the lecture by appellate specialist Norman Pine of Pine Pine Freeman Tillet LLP. The lecture focused on actions trial attorneys can take to protect their cases on appeal.

In November 2015, the subject was “Class Action Warfare: The Secrets to Prosecuting and Defending a Mass Class Action.” The lecture focused on a Santa Barbara oil spill case in which fishermen, property owners, employees, and business owners brought a class action against Plains All American Pipeline Co. after a pipeline rupture in May 2015.

The lecture was presented by the attorneys who brought the case: Cappello, who was lead trial counsel, and co-lead counsel Robert Nelson from Lieff, Cabraser & Heimann and Lynn Lincoln Sarko from Keller Rohrback. Cappello also served as the chief plaintiffs counsel against Union Oil, Mobil, Gulf and Texaco in litigation brought after the 1969 Santa Barbara Channel oil spill.

Distinguished Alumni Lectures: Where Students Connect with Practitioners

- Gina Despres ’74, Senior Vice President (Ret.), Capital Research and Management Company
- Matthew Epstein ’98, CEO, Camstoll Group
- Jeffrey Ettinger ’83, Chairman and CEO, Hormel Foods
- Joanna Strober ’93, Founder and Chief Executive, Kurbo Health
- Linda J. Smith ’77, Partner, DLA Piper
- Robert DeBitetto ’81, President of Brand Strategy, Business Development and A&E Studios, A&E Networks
- Jessie Kornberg ’07, President and CEO, Bet Tzedek Legal Services, Inc.

UCLA School of Law’s Distinguished Alumni Lecture Series provides an opportunity for students to learn from alumni who have led exceptional careers in the practice of law, on the bench or in the business, nonprofit and government sectors. At the invitation of the dean, guests participate in roundtable discussions with students, address legal issues, reflect on their careers and legal education and answer questions. Guests in the 2015-16 academic year included:
UCLA School of Law hosted its annual Golden Reunion on June 24, 2016, a special event for alumni celebrating the 50th — or even greater — anniversary of their graduation from UCLA School of Law. The event, at the InterContinental Los Angeles in Century City, brought together longtime UCLA Law colleagues and their spouses to toast the school’s past and get caught up on the law school’s current activities and initiatives.
Celebration
1950 to 1959

The Honorable Charles S. Vogel (Ret.) ’59 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal. Vogel’s career includes seven years on the bench and 14 years in private practice as a litigation attorney.

1960 to 1969

Robert T. Hanger ’63 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal. Hanger serves as a mediator and arbitrator in Southern California.

The Honorable Cecily Bond (Ret.) ’65 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal. After serving over 20 years in the judiciary, Bond joined JAMS in 2000.

The Honorable Charles G. Rubin (Ret.) ’65 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal. After more than 23 years on the bench, Rubín became a mediator/arbitrator, handling several cases a week with a 95 percent settlement rate.

Kenneth Ziffren ’65 was named one of California’s Top Entertainment Lawyers and one of California’s Top 100 Lawyers by the Daily Journal. Ziffren also was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Ken Kleinberg ’67 of Kleinberg Lange Cuddy & Carlo in Los Angeles was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Nelson C. Rising ’67 was elected to the Doheny Eye Institute Board of Directors. He also had a San Francisco street named after him, Nelson Rising Lane, in honor of his real estate development work in San Francisco. Rising has an extensive history of civic service and philanthropy throughout Los Angeles. He has served on the UCLA Stein Eye Institute Board of Trustees, as well as the board of trustees and executive committees of the California Institute of Technology and the W.M. Keck Foundation and is a long-serving member and former chair of the UCLA School of Law Board of Advisors.

Bob Weeks ’67 received the Byrl Salsman Award, one of the highest honors from the Santa Clara County Bar Association, for outstanding service in the legal profession. Weeks and his wife Nancy also joined the 800-person delegation of the American Bar Association (ABA) to London and Runnymede to celebrate the 800th anniversary of Magna Carta.

The Honorable David H. Brickner (Ret.) ’68 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal. Prior to joining JAMS, Brickner served on the Orange County Superior Court for 17 years.

The Honorable Anthony B. Drewry (Ret.) ’71 of ARC was named as one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal.

Gary Gilbert ’71 of Manatt Phelps & Phillips LLP in Los Angeles was named a Top Music Attorney by Billboard Magazine. Gilbert was also recognized in The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer edition.

1970 to 1979

Skip Brittenham ’70 of Ziffren Brittenham LLP in Los Angeles was named one of California’s Top Entertainment Lawyers by the Daily Journal and a 2016 Power Lawyer by The Hollywood Reporter. Brittenham also published Between Worlds, a young adult novel accompanied by an augmented reality app.

The Honorable Elwood Lui ’69 was reappointed to the Division One of the Second District Court of Appeal by Governor Brown. Lui held the same office from 1981-1987. He then stepped down to pursue a career as a civil attorney at Jones Day.

Tom Stindt ’70 (Ret.) currently serves the Los Angeles Police Department as a volunteer assistant, assigned to the Van Nuys Detectives. He was recognized by Martindale-Hubbell with a Preeminent AV rating for 35 years, was repeatedly named a “SuperLawyer,” and was commended by the L.A. Superior Court for services as an independent resolution neutral for three years. Stindt is a U.S. Army veteran and has participated in the ABA’s pro bono legal assistance program for U.S. military personnel.

The Honorable Anthony B. Drewry (Ret.) ’71 of ARC was named as one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal.
Paul Marcus ’71 the Hugh and Nollie Haynes Professor at College of William & Mary Law School and the former dean of the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law, was appointed president-elect of the Association of American Law Schools in January.

Paul S. Meyer ’71 of Newport Beach, California, has been named president of the Orange County Criminal Defense Bar Association. He currently serves on the editorial board of the Journal of the American College of Trial Lawyers and is active as a Fellow in the International Society of Barristers and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers.

Timi Hallem ’72 of Manatt, Phelps, and Phillips in Los Angeles was named one of the Top Women Lawyers of 2016 by the Daily Journal.

Marc M. Seltzer ’72 was named one of the Top Plaintiff Lawyers of 2016 by the Daily Journal.

Michael J. Woodruff ’72 joined Munger Chadwick as partner in Tucson, Arizona. Woodruff specializes in nonprofit law, trusts and estates. He has been recognized by Martindale-Hubbell with Preeminent AV rating for 24 years.

John Frankenheimer ’73, chairman emeritus and music industry chair of Loeb & Loeb LLP, was named a Top Music Attorney by Billboard Magazine. Frankenheimer was also recognized in The Hollywood Reporter’s Power Lawyer edition.

The Honorable Judge Owen Lee Kwong (Ret.) ’73 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal.

Louis R. Miller ’73 was named one of the Top 100 Lawyers in California by the Daily Journal.

Kenneth Gibbs ’74 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal.

Antonia Hernandez ’74 was awarded an honorary doctorate from Brown University for her achievements as a social justice champion and nonprofit leader. She was also elected to the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation Board of Trustees.

Dale Kinsella ’74 of Kinsella Weitzman Iser Kump & Aldisert LLP in Santa Monica was named one of California’s Top Entertainment Lawyers by the Daily Journal and was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

The Honorable Charles Margines ’74 has been appointed presiding judge of Orange County Superior Court.

The Honorable Edward C. Clifton (Ret.) ’75 has joined the faculty of Roger Williams University School of Law. Clifton retired from the Rhode Island Superior Court after more than 20 years on the bench.

The Honorable Andrew C. Kauffman (Ret.) ’75 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal.

Gary M. Pohlson ’75 was appointed as a judge in Orange County Superior Court by Governor Brown. Pohlson has been at the Law Offices of Gary M. Pohlson since 2014.

Peter Paterno ’76 of King, Holmes, Paterno & Soriano LLP in Los Angeles was recognized in The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer edition.

Howard E. King ’77 of King, Holmes, Paterno & Soriano LLP in Los Angeles was named one of California’s Top Entertainment Lawyers by the Daily Journal and was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.
Lucinda A. Low ’77 was appointed to the Panel of Conciliators of the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes by President Barack Obama. Low is a partner at Steptoe & Johnson LLP, where she leads the firm’s Regulatory, Enforcement, and Public Policy Department and is a member of the management committee.

Bernardine Brandis ’78, executive vice president of business affairs for Walt Disney Studios, was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s Women in Entertainment Power 100. The Hollywood Reporter also named Brandis among the Dealmakers of the Year in its annual Power Lawyers publication.

Melanie Cook ’78 of Ziffren Brittenham LLP was named one of The Hollywood Reporter’s Women in Entertainment Power 100. The Hollywood Reporter also included Cook in its annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

The Honorable Ann Kough (Ret.) ’78 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal. Prior to joining JAMS 13 years ago, Kough served on the Los Angeles Superior Court.

The Honorable Glen M. Reiser ’78 of Camarillo was named Judge of the Year by the Ventura County Trial Lawyers Association. The award recognizes exceptional judicial performance. Reiser was appointed to the Ventura Superior Court bench in 1988 by Gov. Pete Wilson.

Michael Robbins ’78 was elected chair of the Los Angeles County Bar Association’s Labor and Employment Section. In 2013, he was elected by his colleagues as a Fellow of the College of Labor and Employment Lawyers for sustained outstanding performance in the profession. After practicing labor and employment law for 20 years, he founded EXTTI Inc. in 1998, where he provides expert testimony, training and investigations in employment matters. His son, Todd, is a 2015 graduate of UCLA Law.

Deborah Crandall Saxe ’78 was named one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal.

Pierre Schlag ’78, Distinguished University Professor and Byron R. White Professor of Law at the University of Colorado, has taken a break from his academic writing to publish his debut novel, American Absurd — a social satire set mostly in L.A.

Julia Strickland ’78 of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP in Los Angeles was named one of the Top Women Lawyers of 2016 by the Daily Journal.

Nancy Abell ’79 of Paul Hastings LLP in Los Angeles was named one of the Top Women Lawyers by the Daily Journal. She also received the Learned Hand Award from the American Jewish Committee-Los Angeles, the highest honor the AIC bestows on members of the legal profession.

Shirley E. Curfman ’79, a partner at Seyfarth Shaw LLP, was inducted into the National Association of Professional Women VIP Woman of the Year Circle. She was recognized for leadership in law.

Joel M. Grossman ’79 was named as one of California’s Top Neutrals by the Daily Journal.

Sandra Stern ’79 was promoted to president of the Lionsgate Television Group. Additionally, Stern was named one of The Hollywood Reporter’s Women in Entertainment Power 100.

Gary Stiffelman ’79 has joined the global law firm of Greenberg Traurig LLP as a shareholder in the Entertainment & Media Practice. Stiffelman, who joins the firm from Ziffren Brittenham, has served as an adjunct professor at UCLA School of Law for 10 years.

Ruth E. Fisher ’80 of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP was named one of the Top 100 Lawyers in California by the Daily Journal.

Michael Gendler ’80 of Gendler & Kelly was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report. Gendler was also named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.
Mark Green ’80 has been made vice dean for administration and finance for the University of Washington School of Medicine. Previously, he was general counsel and chief operating officer of Seattle Public Schools.

Josh Green ’80 joined Carbon3D, Inc. as general counsel. He remains a managing director at Mohr Davidow Ventures. Previously, Green served as chairman of the National Venture Capital Association.

Eric Hamermesh ’80 was appointed managing director of FTI Consulting, Inc., a global business advisory firm. Hamermesh, who has 35 years of experience in real estate and capital markets, assists clients with sourcing and executing transactions involving debt, equity and hybrid capital products, as well as asset and portfolio real property and loan sales.

Jack Russo ’80 was appointed the director of Netswitch Technology Management, Inc. Russo is the founding partner in the Palo Alto law firm ComputerLaw Group LLP (formerly Russo Hall LLP), and its affiliate, Entrepreneur Law Group.

John Seethoff ’80 has been named corporate secretary at Microsoft Corp. For the last 14 years, Seethoff has managed the corporate secretary function through his roles as vice president and deputy general counsel.

The Honorable Joseph S. Biderman (Ret.) ’81 has joined ADR Services, Inc. after his tenure in the settlement department of the Los Angeles Superior Court-West District.

Harvey M. Moore ’81, president of Moore Law Group in Santa Ana, was sworn in as the president of the National Creditors Bar Association (NARCA) in October 2015 in Washington, D.C. NARCA is the national trade organization for attorneys who practice in all areas of creditors rights law.

Schuyler M. Moore ’81 of Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP in Los Angeles was named one of California’s Top Entertainment Lawyers by the Daily Journal and was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report. Moore was also named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Sam Fischer ’82 of Ziffren Brittenham LLP was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Kristine Blackwood ’83 has joined Arnold & Porter LLP in Washington, D.C., as counsel.

Guy N. Halgren ’84, partner at Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP, was re-elected as chairman of the firm’s executive committee for a sixth consecutive term. Halgren, based in San Diego, is the first chairman to hold the position for longer than three terms.

Ken Hertz ’84, senior partner of Hertz Lichtenstein & Young, was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report and named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Tom Bondy ’85 has joined the Supreme Court and Appellate Practice of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe in Washington, D.C. Bondy comes from a distinguished career in the FBI and Department of Justice.

V. James De Simone ’85, who practices in Marina del Rey, has been named a Top Labor & Employment Lawyer by Daily Journal.

John Arthur Rosenfeld ’85 has joined Elkins Kalt Weintraub Reuben Gartside LLP in Los Angeles as partner. Previously, Rosenfeld was an attorney at Hackman Capital Partners.

Stacey Snider ’85 was promoted to chairman and chief executive at Twentieth Century Fox. She was also named one of The Hollywood Reporter’s Women in Entertainment Power 100.
President Barack Obama announced his intent to nominate Susan Beard ‘86 to the post of inspector general of the Department of Energy. Beard is the assistant general counsel for general law at the Department of Energy, a position she has held since 2004. She has been with the agency since 1989.

Cris O’Neall ‘86 joined Greenberg Traurig, LLP as a property tax shareholder. O’Neall joins from Cahill, Davis & O’Neall LLP.

Alan Epstein ‘87 of Venable LLP was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report.

Mark McKeen ‘87 has joined DLA Piper as partner in the firm’s San Francisco office. Previously, McKeen was an attorney at Paul Hastings LLP in San Francisco.

Karole Morgan-Prager ‘87 was appointed chief legal officer of BlackLine. Formerly, Morgan-Prager was the associate general counsel at the Times Mirror Company.

Carlos Goodman ‘88 of Bloom Hergott Diemer Rosenthal La Violette Feldman Schenkman & Goodman in Beverly Hills was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Jason Sloane ‘88 of Sloane Offer Weber & Dern in Beverly Hills was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Kevin Kelly ‘89 of Gendler & Kelly was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report.

Therese Terlaje ‘89 is running for senator in the 34th Guam legislature. Terlaje has been practicing law for 27 years, including 20 years as the legal counsel for the legislature. She represented the legislature in the landmark Chamorro Land Trust Act case, which allowed for land ownership for thousands of families on Guam.

1990 to 1999

Rebecca Edelson ’90 has joined the Century City office of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as partner in the firm’s intellectual property practice group. She joins from Steptoe & Johnson.

Keith Jacoby ’90, shareholder at Littler Mendelson P.C. in Los Angeles, has been appointed chair of the firm’s class actions practice. Jacoby has consistently been recognized by Best Lawyers in America and the Daily Journal named him among its Top Labor and Employment Lawyers in California in 2015.

Josh Rosenfeld ’90 was appointed vice president of legal services and lead of QuisLex’s new San Francisco Office. Before joining QuisLex, Rosenfeld spent 15 years at Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe.

Steven Wilker ’90 was honored by the ACLU of Oregon as one of only three attorneys who has taken an ACLU of Oregon civil liberties case all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court. Wilker argued in Wood v. Moss that Secret Service agents violated free speech rights by moving peaceful protesters in Jacksonville, Oregon, away from then-President George W. Bush. Wilker is a partner at Tonkon Torp LLP, where his practice focuses on complex commercial litigation, intellectual property, and media law.

M.C. Sungaila ’91 of Haynes & Boone LLP in Costa Mesa was named one of the Top Women Lawyers of 2016 by Daily Journal.

Robert S. Silver ’91 has joined the Los Angeles firm of Kaufman Dolovich & Voluck LLP as partner. He was previously with Nemecek & Cole in Sherman Oaks.

Davis A. Swartz ’91 joined Crosbie Gliner Schiffman Southard & Swanson LLP in Santa Monica as partner. He was previously at Elkins Kalt Weintraub Reuben Gartside LLP.

David Simantob ’91 has joined Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP as partner in Los Angeles offices. He joins from Tressler LLP.

The Honorable Martin R. Barash ’92 was sworn in as judge of U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California in March 2015. Prior to joining the court, Barash spent his career at the Los Angeles firm of Klee, Tuchin, Bogdanoff & Stern LLP.
Laurie J. Hepler ’92 joined Greines, Martin, Stein & Richland LLP to lead its new office in San Francisco. Hepler was formerly the chair of the appellate group at Carroll, Burdick & McDonough LLP.

Bob Offer ’92 of Sloane Offer Weber & Dern in Beverly Hills was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Tony Rodriguez ’92 joined Kaiser Permanente as a senior counsel for litigation at its national headquarters in Oakland. In January 2015, Rodriguez moved to Donahue Fitzgerald in Oakland from Morrison & Foerster in San Francisco, where he had been a partner for 14 years.

James Witz ’92, shareholder at Littler Mendelson P.C. in Chicago, has been appointed chair of the firm’s Unfair Competition and Trade Secrets practice. Witz has obtained multiple seven-figure trial verdicts in high-profile trade secret and restrictive covenant cases across several jurisdictions.

Laurie Yoo ’92 has been reappointed to the California Commission on Disability Access, where she has served since 2014. Yoo has been associate general counsel at Westfield LLC since 2007.

Robert E. Allen ’93 has joined McKool Smith as a principal in its Los Angeles office. Prior to joining McKool Smith, he headed his own law firm, which focused on entertainment-related IP disputes.

David Eiseman ’93 of Skadden in Los Angeles was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Jeffrey Freedman ’93, general counsel at CAA, was named one of the Dealmakers of the Year by The Hollywood Reporter in the magazine’s annual Power Lawyer edition.

Seong H. Kim ’93 joined Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP as partner in the Los Angeles office. Kim joins from Steptoe & Johnson LLP.

Michael G. Morgan ’93 is now a partner at McDermott Will & Emery in Los Angeles. Previously, Morgan was with Jones Day.

Aide Ontiveros ’93 is now a partner at Adams Stirling, P.C. Ontiveros oversees litigation across the firm’s California offices.

Oswald Cousins ’94 joined the Miller Law Group as partner in the San Francisco office. He comes from Nixon Peabody LLP.

Patrick Gibbs ’94 has joined Cooley as a partner in the Palo Alto office. Gibbs joins from Latham & Watkins, where he was co-chair of the securities litigation and professional liability practice.

Kevin D. Morris ’94 was appointed executive vice president and chief operating officer of Molycorp, Inc. Morris has served as executive vice president of administration and rare metals for Molycorp since February 2015.

Robyn R. Polashuk ’94 of Covington & Burling LLP in Los Angeles was named one of the Top Women Lawyers of 2016 by Daily Journal.

Jason G. Wilson ’94 was named President and COO of Equibase Company. Wilson was hired as The Jockey Club’s vice president of business development in October 2010 and was later promoted to president of TJC Media Ventures.

Hadar Harris ’95 was appointed executive director of Northern California Innocence Project at Santa Clara University School of Law. Harris has an extensive history addressing criminal justice reform issues.

Thomas Kaufman ’95 has been named a Top Labor & Employment Lawyer by Daily Journal. Kaufman specializes in employer wage-and-hour defense for Sheppard Mullin in Los Angeles.

Angela J. Reddock-Wright ’95 has been appointed to serve on the County of Los Angeles Equity Oversight Panel. Reddock-Wright is the founding and managing partner of the Reddock Law Group, a Los Angeles boutique employment and labor law firm.
An Oscar for an Alumna

In February, Blye Faust '01 and several of her business partners took the stage at the Dolby Theater in Hollywood to accept an Oscar from the Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Sciences. Faust co-produced Spotlight, winner of the Best Picture award. Spotlight depicted journalists from the Boston Globe in dogged pursuit of explosive revelations of a sexual abuse scandal in the Catholic Archdiocese. Based on a true story, the film’s cast included Michael Keaton, Rachel McAdams, Mark Ruffalo and Liev Schreiber.

A native of Washington state, Faust earned her B.A. from Santa Clara University and worked briefly as an actor before enrolling at the UCLA School of Law. She earned her J.D. and worked as an entertainment lawyer in Los Angeles before forming the production company Rocklin/Faust with another entertainment lawyer, Nicole Rocklin.

“My time at UCLA taught me, most importantly, how to critically analyze, synthesize and communicate the essence of complex information and concepts — and that is a skill that translates across any field or medium,” Faust said.

Her creativity does not start and end with cinema. Faust, a resident of the Bay Area, also owns a San Francisco interior design business, By Blye.

Matthew Erramouspe '96 of O’Melveny & Myers in Los Angeles was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

Brian Lee ’96 was appointed to the board of directors of ZipRecruiter. Lee is a serial entrepreneur who co-founded The Honest Company and founded ShoeDazzle after co-founding LegalZoom in 2000.

Kristin E. Nied ’96 has joined Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

The Honorable Craig B. Van Rooyen ’96 was appointed to the San Luis Obispo County Superior Court by Governor Brown. Van Rooyen has served as a deputy district attorney in San Luis Obispo County since 2007. Prior to that, he had been a partner at Bingham, McCutchen LLP and a deputy district attorney in Riverside County.

Stephanie Yonekura ’96 has joined Hogan Lovells as partner in the Investigations, White Collar, and Fraud Practice Group in Los Angeles. She joins the firm from the U.S. Attorney’s Office.

Marjorie Gannett ’97 joined Holland & Knight in Washington, D.C., as a partner in the firm’s Real Estate Section. She was previously a partner with Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman.

Derek Havel ’97 is the office managing partner at Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP in Los Angeles. Havel is a partner in the Labor and Employment Practice Group.

Catrice Monson ’97 was named senior vice president, diversity and inclusion, for the CBS Corporation. Prior to her work with CBS, Monson was an associate at Barbosa Garcia LLP, practicing education and labor law.

Christopher Rose ’97 was named partner at WilmerHale in Los Angeles.

Gretchen Rush ’97 of Hansen Jacobson Teller Hoberman Newman Warren Richman Rush & Kaller in Beverly Hills was named to The Hollywood Reporter’s annual Power Lawyer list recognizing the top 100 legal minds in Hollywood.

The Honorable Michelle M. Ahnn ’98 was appointed judge in Los Angeles County Superior Court by Governor Brown. She had served as a deputy alternate public defender at the Los Angeles County Alternate Public Defender’s Office.

Christopher Rose ’97 was named partner at WilmerHale in Los Angeles.
Tom Dono ’98 was named executive vice president–general counsel and secretary of Metaldyne Performance Group Inc., a provider of components for use in the global light, commercial and industrial vehicle markets.

Nicole Duckett Fricke ’98 became the first African-American female general counsel for an NBA team. Fricke is the general counsel and vice president of public and community affairs for the Los Angeles Clippers. Previously, Fricke served as general counsel at Real Assets LLC and as a commissioner with the Los Angeles Tourism & Convention Board.

Samantha Grant ’98 of Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp LLP was named the new commissioner to the American Bar Association’s Commission on Women in the Profession.

Pauline Martin ’98 has joined Blank Rome LLP in Los Angeles, where she is of counsel in the family law practice. Martin joins Blank Rome from Phillips Lerner in Los Angeles. Martin previously founded Sonoma Risk Insurance Agency, LLC in Los Angeles, where she helped develop the patent-pending contract litigation insurance.

Marie Mendoza ’98 has been appointed vice president and general counsel of Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. in San Diego.

Danielle Sokol ’98 joined Kaufman, Dolowich & Voluck LLP in Los Angeles as partner.

Joshua Briones ’99 has joined the Litigation Practice at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky, and Popeo, P.C. Briones was previously a partner with Blank Rome LLP. Briones is a past president of the UCLA School of Law Alumni Board of Directors and an adjunct professor of law for the Universidad Panamericana and the Instituto Tecnologico Autonomo de Mexico in Mexico City.

Jamie Brodsky ’99 has been elected to a three-year term on the Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC Board of Directors. He chairs the firm’s Corporate Finance & Lending practice.

Shelly Heyduk ’99 is a new partner at O’Melveny & Myers LLP. Heyduk is a member of the Capital Markets Practice in the Newport Beach office.

Heather Moosnick ’99 was named to the list of Women in Music 2015: The 50 Most Powerful Executives in the Industry by Billboard Magazine.

Paul Ohm ’99 was appointed by President Obama as a member to the Commission on Evidence-Based Policy Making. He is a professor at the Georgetown University Law Center and a faculty director for the Center on Privacy and Technology.

C. Dabney O’Riordan ’99, has been named co-chief of the Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Enforcement’s Asset Management Unit, which focuses on misconduct by investment advisers, investment companies, and private funds.

Alexander Vellandi ’99 was chosen by real estate peer-to-peer marketplace Money360 Inc. to be its first general counsel. Previously, Vellandi was in-house counsel at real estate investment firms Sabal Financial Group LP and Triple Net Properties LLC.

2000 to 2009

Ryan Bradley ’00 was named managing attorney of the Santa Monica office of the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles.

Philip M. Kelly ’00 of Kendall Brill & Kelly was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report.

Richard Chul Kim ’00 has been promoted to counsel in Latham & Watkins’ Tokyo office. Kim is a member of the Global Project Finance Department.

Jonathan Levine ’00 joined Morrison & Foerster LLP as partner in its Business Restructuring & Insolvency Group in New York. Levine was previously at Andrews Kurth LLP.

Jennifer J. McGrath ’00 has joined Johnson & Johnson LLP as partner in Beverly Hills. Previously, McGrath was at Harder Mirell & Abrams LLP.
Thuy Thi Nguyen ’00 is the new president of Foothill College in Los Altos Hills. Prior to her appointment, she was general counsel for the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office and general counsel of Peralta Community College District.

Justin M. Barnes ’01 has joined Troutman Sanders LLP from Fish & Richardson.

Olga Fuentes Skinner ’01 has been promoted by Kasowitz to partner in the firm’s New York office. Formerly special counsel with Kasowitz, her practice focuses on complex commercial litigation, arbitration, and internal investigations.

Lev A. Ginsburg ’02, co-founding partner of Ginsburg Daniels, was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report.

Rajani K. Gupta ’02 of Proskauer Rose LLP in Los Angeles was named one of the Top 40 Under 40 attorneys by the Daily Journal.

Devin A. McRae ’02 of Early Sullivan Wright Gizer & McRae LLP in Los Angeles was named one of the Top 40 Under 40 attorneys by the Daily Journal.

Bonita Moore ’02 has joined the litigation team at Faegre Baker Daniels in Los Angeles. Previously, Moore was a principal at Bird Marella in Los Angeles.

David W. Tang ’02 re-joins Seward & Kissel as counsel in the Investment Management Practice. Previously, Tang was counsel to compliance consultant and investment management law firm Orical LLC.

Joshua Wright ’02 has joined Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati’s antitrust practice as senior of counsel in the Washington, D.C., office. Wright, who served as a commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission from 2013 to 2015 and is one of the nation’s leading scholars in antitrust law and consumer protection, is currently a professor of law and director of the Global Antitrust Institute at George Mason University.

Eric Hwang ’03 joined WilmerHale in Palo Alto. Hwang advises technology and life sciences companies, investment banks, and venture capital and private equity firms on strategic transactions.

Amy S. Williams ’03 was promoted to partner at Carothers DiSante & Freudenberger LLP in Orange County. She was recognized by SuperLawyers as a Rising Star in 2012 and 2015 for her track record and expertise in California labor and employment law.

Dr. Walter Wu ’03 has joined the Palo Alto office of Cooley LLP as partner in the firm’s Life Sciences Patent Group. Wu joins from Morrison & Foerster LLP.

Nicole Cunningham ’04 was elected partner at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP. Cunningham is a member of the intellectual property practice in San Diego.

Brandon J. Davis ’04 of Nossaman LLP in Los Angeles was named as one of the Top 40 Under 40 attorneys by the Daily Journal.

Annie Granatstein ’04 has joined The Washington Post and will head the WP BrandStudio. She joins the Post from Slate’s in-house creative agency.

Erin R. Ranahan ’04 of Winston & Strawn LLP in Los Angeles was named as one of the Top 40 Under 40 attorneys by the Daily Journal.

Dominik Sklenar ’04 has been promoted to counsel at Latham & Watkins in Hong Kong. Sklenar is a member of the corporate department, specializing in capital markets transactions.

Keith D. Yandell ’04 was named the first general counsel for DoorDash Inc. Previously, Yandell was working as litigation director for Uber.

Gabriel F. Brakin ’05 was featured in the Variety 2016 Legal Impact Report. Brakin is the general counsel and executive vice president of business affairs at Participant Media.

Eric Fisher ’05 has been named associate fellow in the Litigation Counsel of America. Fellowship is by invitation only and extended to less than one-half of one percent of attorneys in the United States.
States. Fisher, a partner at Taylor English Duma LLP in Atlanta, was also named as a 2016 Georgia SuperLawyer.

**Ben Sahl ’05** was appointed legal director of the Disability Rights Center – New Hampshire, which engages in class and individual representations aimed at eliminating barriers to the full and equal enjoyment of civil and other legal rights by people with disabilities. Prior to joining DRC, Sahl practiced in New York as the William J. Brennan First Amendment Legal Fellow in the national office of the ACLU and as an associate with Latham & Watkins LLP.

**Douglas H. Burnaford ’06** is a new partner at Latham & Watkins LLP in Los Angeles.

**Craig E. Countryman ’06** of Fish & Richardson PC in San Diego was named as one of the Top 40 Under 40 attorneys by Daily Journal and a Rising Star by Appellate Law360.

**Renée Delphin-Rodriguez ’06** joined SynerMed, Inc. as general counsel and chief compliance officer. She joined SynerMed from DaVita HealthCare Partners, where she was assistant general counsel.

**Antionette D. Dozier ’06** of the Western Center on Law & Poverty Inc. in Los Angeles was named one of the Top 40 Under 40 attorneys by the Daily Journal.

**Nicole V. Gambino ’06** has joined the San Francisco office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati PC as partner.

**Kristen Hilton ’06** joined the litigation department at Sussman Shank LLP in Portland, Oregon. Previously, she was an associate with Bingham McCutchen and Morgan Lewis in Santa Monica, California.

**Heather L. Richardson ’06** has been named partner at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP in Los Angeles. Richardson, who was also named a Top 40 Under 40 attorney by the Daily Journal, served as president of the UCLA Law Alumni Association for 2015-2016.

**Adam Starr ’06** was named in the 2016 issue of Oregon SuperLawyers as a Rising Star. Starr is a trial lawyer with Markowitz Herbold, a boutique litigation firm headquartered in Portland, Oregon.

**Nicole Walsh ’06** has been promoted to partner at Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe in Los Angeles. Walsh represents real estate investment funds, banks, developers and corporate clients.

**Michelle L.C. Carpenter ’07** is a new partner at Latham & Watkins LLP in Los Angeles.

**Karen E. Deschaine ’07** was promoted to partner at Cooley LLP in San Diego, Ca.

**Anil J. Kalia ’07** is a new partner at DLA Piper in East Palo Alto. Kalia concentrates on international tax planning and operational structuring.

**Adrienne Marshack ’07** has re-joined the litigation practice at Manatt, Phelps & Phillips as a partner in Orange County. Marshack returns to Manatt from business litigation boutique firm Greenberg Gross, LLP.

**Janis Hui Ozaki ’07** joined Dykema Gossett PLLC as senior counsel in Los Angeles. Prior to joining Dykema, Ozaki was in private practice.

**Kristin Peer ’07** has been appointed assistant general counsel at the California Environmental Protection Agency by Governor Brown. Prior to her appointment, Peer served as a deputy attorney general at the California Department of Justice.

**Brette Steele ’07** was named acting deputy director of the Countering Violent Extremism Task Force by the White House.

**Kevin J. Minnick ’08** was promoted to counsel at Skadden, Arps, Meagher & Flom LLP.

**Bryan Leifer ’09** joined Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP as partner in the Los Angeles office. He joins from Akerman LLP.
Katya Mezek ’09 has joined Structure Law Group, LLP in San Jose, Ca. Closely connected to her home country of Slovenia, Mezek has given talks to the U.S. Embassy’s Summer Student Programs in Slovenia on doing business in the U.S. and has worked closely with Slovenian companies expanding to the U.S.

Reiko Okazaki ’09, who is admitted as an attorney in New York and Australia, became a barrister in October 2015 and represented the Victorian Bar at the Opening of the Legal Year on February 1, 2016.

Jeffrey Stephens ’09 is a partner at Gaw Van Male in Napa, Ca. Stephens practices estate planning and trust and probate administration.

Jordan Woods ’09 accepted a tenure-track position at the University of Arkansas School of Law.

2010 to 2016

Jesse French ’11 is now practicing at Akiva Niamehr LLP in Los Angeles.

Samuel M. Kidder ’11 has joined Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber & Schreck LLP in the firm’s Denver office. Kidder is a litigator in the Bankruptcy & Restructuring Group.

Samuel Siegel ’12 was selected for the Earl Warren Fellowship in the Office of the Solicitor General with the California Attorney General’s Office.

Evan Lee ’13 has joined the Silicon Valley office of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP as an associate in the Corporate & Securities–Technology practice section.

Arienna Grody ’14 was honored in April by her undergraduate alma mater, Goucher College, with an award as a distinguished alumna. Grody is a Gideon’s Promise Fellow who has worked at the Jefferson County Public Defender in Birmingham, Ala., and was the youngest of the alumni and alumnae honored at Goucher College’s 2016 ceremony.

Matt Joseph ’14, founder and CEO of Locent, was included in the LA Business Journal “20 in their 20s” feature on young entrepreneurs.

Sean Mosman ’14 has joined the Salt Lake City office of Snell & Wilmer. Mosman focuses on business litigation, and previously worked at the firm’s Los Angeles office.

David M. Gao ’15 is an associate in the San Diego office of real estate law firm Hecht Solberg Robinson Goldberg & Bagley LLP.

Ben Leonard ’15 has joined Fennemore Craig in Denver, Colorado. Previously, Leonard was editor-in-chief of the UCLA Journal of Law and Technology.

In Memoriam

George S. Aaron ’76
Kenneth A. Black ’74
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IN MEMORIAM:

John Bauman, Professor Emeritus

Professor Emeritus John A. Bauman passed away April 29, 2016. He was 95. Professor Bauman joined the UCLA Law faculty in 1960. His principal scholarly focus was on remedies and procedural subjects, and he was honored with the Rutter Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1993. Bauman served as executive director of the Association of American Law Schools from 1980 to 1983, and as secretary and treasurer of the Order of the Coif from 1983 until he took emeritus status in 1991. He served as associate dean of UCLA School of Law from 1969 to 1979. Bauman attended the University of Minnesota and Columbia University.

Daniel Brenner, L.A. County Superior Court Judge and Former UCLA Law Professor

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Daniel Brenner, a former UCLA Law professor, passed away on February 15, 2016. He was 64. Brenner served as the director of UCLA Law’s Communications Law Program from July 1986 through June 1992 and taught as an adjunct professor at UCLA Law. Brenner was appointed to the bench by Governor Brown in 2012. He previously was a partner at Hogan Lovells LLP, served as head of regulatory and legal affairs at the National Cable & Telecommunications Association, and served as senior legal advisor to the chair of the Federal Communications Commission.

Jim Hooker, Williams Institute Founders Council member

Jim Hooker, a major supporter of UCLA School of Law’s Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy, passed away on June 22, 2016. He was 78 years old. A member of the Williams Institute’s Founders Council, Hooker demonstrated his support of equal rights for gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals by investing in organizations that promoted such rights. Hooker was a recipient of the Williams Institute’s Excellence in Service Award.
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I AM PROUD THAT UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW WAS THE FIRST IN THE COUNTRY TO CREATE A RESEARCH CENTER FOCUSED ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND THE LAW. Over the past 15 years the Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy, whose research is cited in virtually every judicial opinion about gay marriage, has played a signal role in spurring civil rights advances for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people across the country and the globe. The Williams Institute also has become the leading incubator for an emerging field of study while creating remarkable opportunities for our students. Our cover article chronicles this remarkable story.

Intellectual engagement and real-world impact also are in plentiful supply in our Supreme Court Clinic. Astonishingly, the clinic wrote briefs on the merits in four U.S. Supreme Court cases in the 2015-16 term, giving students a view of the High Court that few practitioners ever see.

In fact, examples abound, both in these pages and around the law school, of impact and intellectual engagement. This year, a group of UCLA Law students helped persuade President Obama to grant clemency to a prisoner serving a life sentence for a nonviolent drug crime. Another student helped launch a medical device company that can dramatically reduce discomfort and costs for elderly patients. His team won $100,000 in the inaugural Lowell Milken Institute-Sandler Prize for New Entrepreneurs, a contest designed to spur entrepreneurship across the university.

At root, our community — and our commitment to going beyond the ordinary and challenging each other — fosters our core values. Our remarkably dedicated faculty teach classes in their homes as well as in our halls. Our highly-engaged alumni, now 16,000 strong, are living examples of engagement and impact. Events ranging from our all-school happy hours to our upcoming UCLA Law Women LEAD summit with Chief Justice of the State of California Tani Cantil-Sakauye and other accomplished women in the law — many of them alumni — play a big role.

I am so grateful to be part of this community in which intellectual engagement and real-world impact are not just ideals, but intrinsic to what we do and who we are.

Warmly,

Jennifer L. Mnookin
Dean and David G. Price and Dallas P. Price Professor of Law