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## BUILDING BRIDGES BETWEEN LAW AND MEDICINE

*Health law expert Frank McClellan retires from faculty*

For Frank McClellan, the intersection of medicine and law represents a place where public health can be either fostered or stifled.

"The law can serve as a barrier to the extent that it precludes innovative efforts on the part of health care institutions and community organizations, and it can promote it by creating obligations on the part of institutions and making sure there are no unnecessary barriers to improving health," says McClellan, who just wrapped up a 28-year career teaching at Temple Law. "While legislators sometimes get advocates for different positions, they oftentimes don't have the sort of independent academic research explaining what the law really does and the unintended consequences of statutes they have before them."

That mindset explains why McClellan's retirement should come with quotation marks around it. While he has left the classroom, where he was one of the law school's most popular and effective teachers, he will remain active at Temple. McClellan has always had a keen interest in improving the healthcare law curriculum and plans to continue working on various healthcare law projects at Temple. McClellan and Scott Burris, a professor of law at Temple and associate director of the Center for Law and the Public's Health at the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, are working to begin a collaboration, which they envision as an interdisciplinary research center and source of guidance and expertise for both policymakers and community health groups.

"What we're hoping to do is establish both research and curriculum development initiatives," McClellan says. "From my perspective, the biggest emphasis is going to be on the linking—building bridges between the law school and the medical school, the law school and the business school, so that we all get to know each other and can meet each other's needs in research as well as teaching."

"The second part for me, which is really important, is to make the expertise in the various schools of the university working on health law available to community organizations and grass-roots kinds of efforts to improve the health of the community."

Imparting expertise to those who need it; if you needed a tagline to Frank McClellan's nearly 30-year teaching career, you could do a lot worse than that.



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In 1981, McClellan was teaching law at Duquesne University when Peter Liacouras, then dean of Temple Law, came calling. The two had crossed paths a decade before at Yale University, where McClellan was studying for his LL.M. and Liacouras was serving a fellowship. The dean pitched Temple Law's strengths—diversity among both faculty and students, a strong international program, and links with the School of Medicine—and McClellan was hooked.

"I saw it, really, as an opportunity to interact with many disciplines and to develop myself as well as the curriculum," he recalls.

At Temple, McClellan specialized in torts, bioethics, and medical malpractice; he also lectured at the School of Medicine on various topics related to law, medicine, and ethics. While he went on to write numerous books and law review articles on these subjects, it was perhaps his teaching that made the greatest impact during his almost three decades at Temple Law.

"It must be emphasized that Frank is an outstanding teacher," says Dean JoAnne Epps. "His commitment to instruction is unwavering, as is his understanding that teachers both educate and inspire. His colleagues will miss him, and I'm sure I speak for legions of students in predicting that they will miss his presence too."

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KRISTEN E. MURRAY



SANDRA F. SPERINO

## TEMPLE WELCOMES TWO NEW PROFS

*The 1Ls are not the only new faces at the law school this fall. The law school faculty also welcomes two new members to its ranks: Kristen E. Murray and Sandra F. Sperino.*

**ASSISTANT PROFESSOR KRISTEN E. MURRAY** joins Temple's distinguished legal writing faculty as an associate professor of law. She will teach the intensive legal research and writing course for first-year students as well as some upper-level seminars. "Kristen Murray is a splendid addition to our program. She brings a wealth of experience as both a teacher of legal writing and an administrator of legal writing programs," explains Jane B. Baron, Temple's I. Herman Stern Professor of Law and Associate Dean for Research.

Before joining the Temple faculty, Murray taught legal writing at George Washington University Law School. She was also associate director of the legal research and writing program, which serves about 500 J.D. students and 50 LL.M. students. While at GW, she published articles in the field of legal education and technology.

In addition to her experience in academia, Murray practiced law in both the New York and Washington, D.C. offices of Latham & Watkins. She considers her years in private practice as having "informed [her] experience as a teacher" because she learned firsthand how writing is relevant in practice.

Murray earned a J.D., *cum laude*, from Georgetown University Law Center in 2000, and a B.A., *cum laude with University Honors*, from American University in 1997. She is currently working on a M.A. in Education and Human Development at George Washington University. Through her graduate studies, Murray has acquired extensive knowledge in adult-learning theory and pedagogy, which her legal writing colleagues at Temple regard as a valuable asset. "I am looking forward to learning from her about advancements in teaching adults, in reaching the maximum number of students, and in teaching to different learning styles," says Temple Associate Professor of Law Kathryn M. Stanchi.

Similarly, Murray is enthused about joining the Temple faculty. She was drawn to Temple by the national reputation of its legal research and writing faculty and by the law school's

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McClellan's affinity for teaching manifested itself early; he stepped into a classroom just two years after graduating from law school. Over the years, that enthusiasm has not waned in the least. The give and take that marks the best educational experiences has provided a decades-long intellectual spark.

"The idea of being paid to come in and think and exchange ideas and to encourage other people to develop their own ideas has always been so invigorating to me," he says. "Even when you have disagreements about policies and ideas, just the exchange that takes place is so exciting."

As a professor, McClellan has seen his interest evolve from the law itself to its underlying policies and to interdisciplinary perspectives. Along the way he has made a point of integrating those new focuses into his classes, welcoming guest speakers from medicine and economics and a host of other fields to illuminate his own teaching with alternative viewpoints from outside the law.

"I want the students to see how, when law looks at the same issue or problem but from a different experience base or different philosophy, it brings out different concerns and different ideas," he says. "That's the part that really excites me the most, and I hope that in my classes at this point, students get a lot of that."

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McClellan served Temple Law in many ways during his tenure, sitting on important internal committees and participating in numerous initiatives designed to ensure that Temple remained the diverse, outward-looking law school he came to with such enthusiasm nearly 30 years ago. As Epps puts it, "He is wise in an understated but profound way, and the law school will miss his thoughtful judgment. Frank is also highly principled, and could always be counted on to keep us focused on our core mission and goals."

Those principles will be applied in his new endeavors as well. McClellan plans to make violence reduction—an issue that truly energizes him—a priority in his ongoing work.

"If you can, through research and through bridges of communication, begin to solve those kinds of problems, that is the highest service that an institution and a professor can offer," he says. "You're developing knowledge, you're going to have to engage in research, and you're going to have to write about it, but at the same time your focus is on real, serious problems that need the attention of the best thinkers that we can find to address them."

In the end, that passion for law—and education—as a tool of social justice may well be McClellan's legacy. It is certainly what he worked diligently to impart to his students.

Asked what he hoped those whom he taught walked away with, McClellan replies carefully, "I hope to be remembered as a teacher who cared deeply about his students and always tried to challenge them to think about the values at stake in legal controversies and the impact of law on ordinary people."

—Tom Durso



## NEW FACULTY . . . continued from page one

commitment to scholarship in this area. In fact, her only reservation about coming to Philadelphia is "surviving as a Yankees fan in a Phillies town!"

**ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR SANDRA F. SPERINO** was also drawn to Temple largely because of the faculty, whom she describes as "a high caliber, impressive group of scholars who are very engaged in the daily life of the university." Professor Baron notes that Sperino will further enhance the caliber of this group through her effectiveness in the classroom and her excellence in scholarship: "She will meet a variety of curricular needs at the law school, most notably in torts, employment discrimination, and civil procedure. She is an experienced teacher who has already amassed impressive scholarly credentials, having written several articles in such journals as the *Houston Law Review*, the *Saint Louis University Law Journal*, and the *Kansas Law Review*." Sperino has also served as a contributing editor to several ABA publications on employment law.

Sperino taught as a visiting assistant professor at both the University of Cincinnati School of Law and the Saint Louis University School of Law. She was also selected to participate in a teaching fellowship program at the University of Illinois College of Law. When speaking with Sperino, it is clear that teaching law is her passion. "I love the moment when a student who was formerly timid and uncomfortable in the classroom begins to demonstrate self-confidence and the ability to think like a lawyer," she explains.

Sperino also worked as an attorney at the law firm of Lewis, Rice & Fingersh in St. Louis, where she practiced at both the state and federal levels and co-authored a brief for the U.S. Supreme Court. In the classroom, she seeks to use her private-practice experience, to, as she puts, "tie together doctrine, legal history, legal theory, public policy, and practical implications in a way that sharpens the analytical skills of her students." Prior to her experience in private practice, Sperino clerked for two years for Judge Donald J. Stohr of the U.S. District Court of the Eastern District of Missouri.

Sperino earned a J.D., *summa cum laude*, from the University of Illinois College of Law in 1999; an M.S. in Journalism, *summa cum laude*, from the University of Illinois College of Journalism in 1999; and a B.A., *summa cum laude*, from Texas Tech University in 1995. In law school, Sperino was editor-in-chief of the *University of Illinois Law Review* and received legal publication and academic achievement awards.

Commenting on the arrival of Murray and Sperino at Temple, Dean JoAnne A. Epps says, "Given their prior teaching experience, both of these professors are prepared to be immediately effective in the classroom, as well as contributing perspectives on the ways other institutions deliver legal education. We are delighted to welcome them both to the Temple community."



## LL.M. PROGRAM ATTRACTS DIVERSE INT'L GROUP

**Forty-six foreign-trained lawyers were awarded LL.M. degrees from Temple Law in 2008. They come to Philadelphia from countries all over the world, such as Turkey, India, Slovakia, Germany, Nigeria, Brazil, China, Great Britain, Ireland, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Poland, Taiwan, and Venezuela.**

**Established in 1974, the law school's International LL.M. program has provided advanced legal education for more than 600 graduates now practicing and teaching throughout the world, and boasts an extensive—and growing—worldwide alumni network.**





## CIVIL RIGHTS MEMOIR RECEIVES ACCOLADES

**“David Kairys is one of the grand long-distance runners in the struggle for justice in America. His brilliant legal mind and superb lawyerly skills are legendary. This marvelous book is his gift to us!”**

—Cornel West, Princeton University, author of *Race Matters*

In writing *Philadelphia Freedom, Memoir of a Civil Rights Lawyer*, Professor David Kairys, says *Kirkus*

*Review*, “has sifted through hefty files of documents to reconstruct events in and out of court and to recreate conversations with clients, witnesses, judges and other lawyers.” The book reveals a lengthy and passionate career that continues to unfold.

Kairys began as a public defender—and was not yet a member of the bar—when he took up the cause of James Jiles, an escapee from a chain gang who was facing extradition to Georgia. Kairys’ victory in this case was only the beginning. In 1971, with funding from the National Emergency Civil Liberties Committee, he and partner David Rudovsky opened a private practice that owed much of its work to, as Kairys writes, “the brutality and lawlessness of the Philadelphia police.”

When a group of Catholic antiwar activists broke into a draft-board office in nearby Camden, NJ, Kairys defended the “Camden 28,” a case that drew national attention. He convinced an FBI informant to testify for the defense that the informant and the FBI provided the plans, tools, and funding including groceries to make the raid happen. The resulting acquittal inspired Supreme Court justice William Brennan to describe the trial as “one of the great trials of the twentieth century.”

*Philadelphia Freedom* includes many such high-profile cases, including a free-speech suit brought by Dr. Benjamin Spock that went to the Supreme Court. The book is earning the praise of the trade press as well as that of other legal scholars. “With engaging, insider stories . . . this book evokes the ebullient spirit of progressive social change launched in the 1960s and should be read by aspiring and practicing lawyers as well as anyone interested in American social history,” says Harvard Law Professor Martha L. Minow.

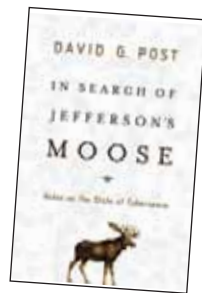
Kairys continued as a full-time civil rights lawyer until 1990, when he joined the Temple Law faculty. In 1996, he conceived the city lawsuits against handgun manufacturers, and his public-nuisance theory has become the basis for a range of challenges to corporate practices that endanger public health or safety. His recent articles focus on the history of civil rights, the role of courts and the meaning of the rule of law, and a range of issues related to handgun violence. Kairys’ previous books include *With Liberty and Justice for Some*, and he edited and co-authored the bestselling progressive critique of the law, *The Politics of Law*.

***Philadelphia Freedom* book signing and talk  
Thursday, October 16 at noon  
Duane Morris LLP Moot Court Room  
Klein Hall, Temple University**

## HOW WOULD A FOUNDING FATHER THINK ABOUT THE INTERNET?

*Intellectual property expert David Post draws on Thomas Jefferson to examine the world of cyberspace*

Who governs the Internet, and how? What kind of law does it have, what kind of law should it have, and who will make that law? In *In Search of Jefferson’s Moose: Notes on the State of Cyberspace*, a new book to be published in January 2009 by Oxford University Press, Professor David Post looks at these questions through Jefferson’s eyes, re-creating Jefferson’s encyclopedia of the New World (“Notes on the State of Virginia,” 1786), but this time for cyberspace. What kind of a “place” is it? How does it work? How did it grow as fast as it did? What kind of new things, and what kind of old things, are out there? How did they get there, and how do they get from one place to another? What kinds of communities form there? What principles should guide our law-making efforts, and the design of our law-making institutions, in a global place like this?

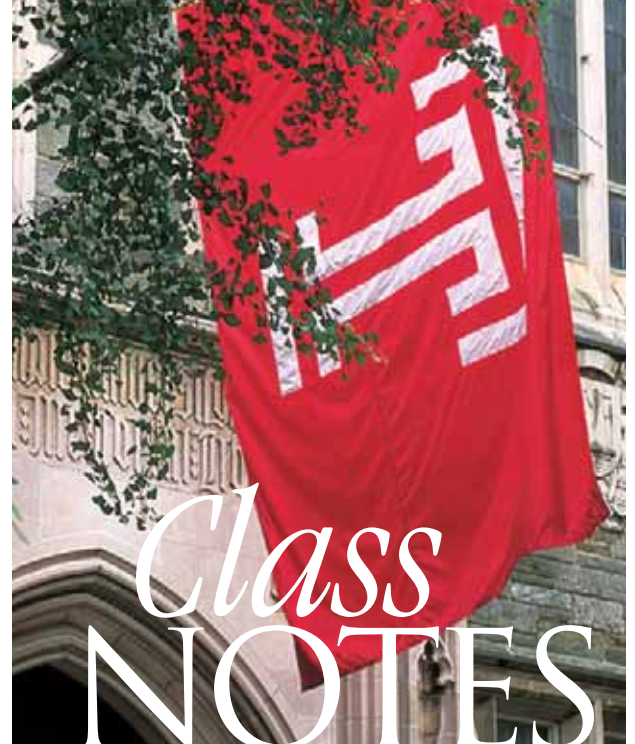


And along the way, he tries to figure out why Jefferson had a moose shipped to him in Paris (where he was serving as US minister to France) and mounted in the lobby of his residence.

The book represents a continued intellectual journey for Post; he

previously co-authored *Cyberlaw: Problems of Policy and Jurisprudence in the Information Age* (with Paul Schiff Berman and Patricia Bellia), and has published numerous articles on intellectual property, the law of cyber-space, and the application of complexity theory to the law.

Post is the I. Herman Stern Professor of Law at Temple Law. He is also an adjunct scholar at the Cato Institute and a contributor to the influential *Volokh Conspiracy* blog. Before coming to Temple Law in 1997, Post clerked with then-Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg on the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, spent six years at Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering in Washington D.C., and then clerked again for Justice Ginsburg during her first term on the Supreme Court.



## 1970

**JUDGE ALAN D. LOURIE**, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, was awarded the first Distinguished Intellectual Property Professional Award for “extraordinary leadership in the intellectual property community and a lifetime commitment to invention and innovation” by the Intellectual Property Owners Educational Foundation.

## 1974

**JOHN B. LANGE** has been named board chairman for Delaware Valley Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association. Langel is a partner in Ballard Spahr and Ingersoll’s litigation department and is partner-in-charge of the labor, employment and immigration group.

**EDWARD MCINTYRE**, a partner at Solomon Ward Seidenwurm & Smith in San Diego, California, has been appointed to the State Bar’s committee on professional responsibility and conduct, which issues advisory ethics opinions. McIntyre focuses on business litigation and lawyers’ professional responsibility law.

## 1977

**WILLIAM T. MACMINN** has been appointed managing partner at Antheil Maslow & MacMinn, a Bucks County-based firm. MacMinn has been a partner at Antheil Maslow & MacMinn since 1993 and concentrates his practice in the area of litigation, including defense, commercial, employment, collection, construction, and personal injury.



DEAN JOANNE A. EPPS



ABBE F. FLETMAN,  
LL.M. '98



DONNA LEE JONES,  
LL.M. '05

## DEAN AND ALUMS AMONG TOP 25 WOMEN ATTY'S

JUNE 2008 **Temple Law’s new dean, JoAnne A. Epps, and Temple Law graduates and litigators Abbe F. Fletman '98 and Donna Lee Jones are among the group of influential attorneys listed in the *Legal Intelligencer’s* “Women of the Year Lawyers in Pennsylvania.” The recipients were honored at the Women in the Profession Honorary Luncheon co-hosted by the National Association of Women Judges.**

**Dean JoAnne A. Epps is a leading scholar in the areas of trial advocacy and criminal procedure who served as associate dean of academic affairs at Temple Law since 1989. She replaced Robert J. Reinstein in July 2008, and is the first woman to serve as dean and the second African-American to attain that position.**

**Litigation lawyer Abbe F. Fletman, a shareholder at Flaster/Greenberg, is head of the litigation section of the intellectual property practice group and a member of the commercial litigation practice group in Flaster/Greenberg’s Philadelphia office. Fletman earned an L.L.M. in Trial Advocacy at Temple in 1998, is an instructor in Temple’s Academy of Advocacy, and a barrister in the school’s American Inn of Court.**

**Donna Lee Jones has been an associate at Saltz, Mongeluzzi, Barrett & Bendesky in Philadelphia since 2001. She earned an LL.M. in Trial Advocacy from Temple Law in 2005, and was the recipient of the faculty award given to only one LL.M. graduate a year.**



**JOHN G. THOMAS III** received the Christensen Award for excellence in teaching and outstanding service to students at year-end ceremonies held at Northampton Community College in Bethlehem, PA. Thomas joined the full-time college faculty in 1998 after retiring from the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps and working as a managing attorney and legal cost consultant in Philadelphia. Under his leadership, the college's paralegal program achieved approval from the American Bar Association, a designation held by less than 30% of all paralegal programs throughout the country.

## 1979

**JOSEPH D. MANCANO**, a partner of Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti, spoke at the Professional Lines Attorney Network Regional Workshop in New York in June 2008. The seminar, "Riding out the Sub-Prime Mortgage Crisis," included an in-depth look at the history of the crisis and addressed criminal and civil liability issues associated with the sub-prime market. Mancano serves as vice-chair of the firm's white-collar criminal defense group.



## 1982

**PAUL L. REGAN** received the Outstanding Faculty Award at the Widener University School of Law 2008 commencement exercises, as determined by a vote of the graduating class. Regan has been a member of the Widener law faculty since 1994. He teaches and writes in the areas of corporate law, corporate finance and contract law.

## 1983

**PETER BRAMPTON KOELLE** leaves Bryn Mawr College after 17 years teaching courses on Spanish and Portuguese language, cultural history of the Spanish-speaking world, and Sephardic history. Koelle continues to be engaged in research.

## 1984

**MARC RASPANTI**, chair of the white-collar criminal defense practice of Pietragallo Gordon Alfano Bosick & Raspanti, co-authored an article in *St. John's Law Review* entitled "Why Do They Do It?: The Motives, Mores, and Character of White Collar Criminals."

**MAURY B. REITER**, managing principal and member of the tax and estates and real estate transactions groups at Kaplin Stewart Meloff Reiter & Stein in Blue Bell, PA, has been re-elected treasurer of Volunteers of America. Reiter has been involved with Volunteers of America at the local and national levels for the past 11 years. The national nonprofit social services organization provides a wide range of community-level human service programs.



## 1986

Cozen O'Connor member **CATHERINE BONAKER SLAVIN** recently moderated a panel for the Aviation Trial Demonstrations and Cutting Edge Issues CLE Seminar, presented by the ABA section of litigation aviation committee and the New York City Bar. Slavin's panel was titled "Persuasion After the Evidence." Slavin focuses her practice on aviation litigation.



## 1987

**CHRISTOPHER J. PIPPETT, LL.M.**, a partner in the Chesterbrook office of Saul Ewing, has been named president of the board for Habitat for Humanity of Chester County. Pippett concentrates his practice of law in the areas of corporate, banking and real estate law.

**LORI SHEMTOB** has been certified as an arbitrator by the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. Shemtob, who practices family law exclusively, is also a fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. She is a frequent lecturer and faculty member on topics related to family law issues, and recently spoke to the Lehigh Valley Psychological Association on "Marriage, Divorce and Custody: What therapists need to know about Pennsylvania Laws."



**GINA MAISTO SMITH** has been elected a partner at Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll. Smith is a partner in the litigation department and a member of the white-collar litigation group, health care group, corporate compliance and investigations group, the Medicare part D compliance team, and the higher education industry group.

## 1988

**DENISE H. HOUGHTON**, a Cozen O'Connor member, has authored a chapter in the new life sciences text *Life Sciences Client Strategies (Inside the Minds)*, published by Aspatore, Inc. Houghton's chapter is titled "Key Considerations When Working with Clients in the Life Sciences Arena." Prior to law school, Houghton was a registered nurse at a major teaching hospital in Philadelphia. Houghton is a member of Cozen O'Connor's general litigation department and focuses her practice on the defense of pharmaceutical and medical device companies.



**MARY J. HUWALDT**, has been named deputy general counsel at Armstrong World Industries, based in the company's Lancaster, PA headquarters. Before joining Armstrong in 2000, Huwaldt was a partner at Caplan & Lubert in Paoli, PA.

**PAUL M. UYEHARA** leaves Philadelphia's Community Legal Services after 27 years. In September, he will assume a position in the civil rights division of the U.S. Justice Department in Washington DC. In his new position, Uyehara will continue to focus on language access issues.



## 1989

**MARGARET GALLAGHER THOMPSON**, who currently serves as chair-elect of the probate section of the Philadelphia Bar Association, will be installed as chair of the section in January 2009. Thompson is chair of Cozen O'Connor's trusts and estates practice.

## 1990

**DAVID J. DRAGANOSKY** has joined Shemtob Law, a divorce and family law firm, as a partner. He previously was a partner in the family law department of Fox Rothschild.

**DONNA GERSON** has written "The Modern Rules of Business Etiquette," published by the American Bar Association. Gerson wrote the book with husband David Gerson, a partner in Morgan Lewis & Bockius' Pittsburgh, PA office.

**KRISTA P. HARPER** has joined Curtin & Heefner as a partner in the real estate and business and municipal finance sections.

## 1991

**GEORGE R. SMAWLEY** has published an article, "By the Content of Character: The Life and Leadership of Major General Kenneth D. Gray, (Retired) (1966-1997), The First African-American Judge Advocate General Officer," in the *Military Law Review*. The article explores the life of America's highest ranking African-American military attorney. Smawley is the assistant executive officer for the Office of The Judge Advocate General. In 2006 he served in Afghanistan as the deputy legal advisor for combined joint task force headquartered at Bagram Air Field.

## 1992

**DANIEL R. MILLER** has been a prosecutor in the Delaware Department of Justice (DDOJ) for the last 14 years, and serves as director of DDOJ's Medicaid fraud control unit. Miller is also vice president of the National Association of Medicaid Fraud Control Units.

## 1993

**TRACY QUINN** is a partner and chair of the intellectual property practice at Reed Smith, where she oversees 67 intellectual property attorneys worldwide and three patent agents. She works at the firm's Philadelphia office, where she started as a fifth-year associate in 1999.

## BROWN AND MENDEL NAMED TO UNIVERSITY GALLERY OF SUCCESS

Crystal L. Brown '05 and M. Mark Mendel '57 have been selected for induction into Temple University's Gallery of Success. Each year, two distinguished alumni from each of Temple's schools and colleges are recognized for outstanding success in their fields.

**CRYSTAL L. BROWN '05** is an associate at Bryan Cave in New York City, where her practice is comprised of a wide variety of federal and state litigation matters involving employment, securities, bankruptcy and contract law. Brown has assisted in conducting several investigations, including an internal investigation involving claims of sexual harassment and hostile work environment, and an independent investigation examining accounting and securities compliance and disclosure issues. Brown joined Bryan Cave after clerking for Judge Clifford Scott Green of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.



CRYSTAL L. BROWN

## 1994

**PHILIP C. AKA** was recently awarded a faculty excellence award in research from Chicago State University, where he is a professor of political science. His most recent publication is "Assessing the Constitutionality of President George W. Bush's Faith-Based Initiatives," in the *Journal of Law and Society*. Aka is also an adjunct professor of law at Indiana University School of Law.

**DAVID TEDHAMS**, Deputy Staff Counsel of the D.C. Court of Appeals, has edited the *Appellate Practice Manual for the District of Columbia Court of Appeals*, which was last updated in 1992. It is being published by the Bar Association of the District of Columbia.

**MICHAEL VALENTINE** was named vice president for human resources for the *New York Times* in June 2008. Previously Valentine was vice president for human resources at Publishers Circulation Fulfillment.

## 1995

**EMMANUEL O. IHEUKWUMERE** has been elected to the board of directors of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association. He is with the Emmanuel Law Firm, a personal injury firm specializing in medical malpractice.

**CLARK A. JABLON** is a founding partner of Panitch Schwarze Belisario & Nadel, an intellectual property law boutique firm founded in 2008 in Philadelphia. Clark practiced patent law for the previous eight years at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld.



**DANIEL J. ROVNER**, a partner at Post & Post, has been appointed a hearing committee member for the disciplinary board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. Rovner's appointment is for a three-year term serving Bucks, Montgomery, Delaware, Chester, Berks, Schuylkill and Northampton counties.



## 1996

**MICHAEL F. SNYDER** has been elected a shareholder at the intellectual property firm Volpe and Koenig, where his practice encompasses patent, trademark, trade dress and copyright prosecution and litigation, licensing, due diligence and internet law.



## 1997

**DAVID H. BLEICKEN** has been named deputy secretary of the Pennsylvania State Banking Department, where he oversees non-depository institutions and consumer services. Bleicken is also president of the American Association of Residential Mortgage Regulators.

**KELBY BRICK** has been named vice president of regulatory and strategic policy at GoAmerica, a provider of relay and wireless communications and professional interpreter services for deaf, hard-of-hearing and speech-impaired persons. Previously, Brick was the director for law and advocacy at the National Association of the Deaf.

**BETH LINCOW COLE** spoke before the Burlington County Bar Association about employment workplace investigations. Cole's law firm concentrates on protecting small employers in the Delaware Valley from employment claims.

**SCOTT NAIDECH** is a partner in the New York office of Chadbourne Parke, where he represents a broad array of private fund sponsors in the structuring, establishment and operation of their funds, and advises clients on a number of other complex business transactions.

**JONATHAN A. STEVENS** was admitted to the partnership of Jones Day. He is a partner in the tax practice of the firm's New York office.

**DONALD R. WAGNER**, a shareholder in Stevens & Lee's environmental group, has been appointed to Pennsylvania's Cleanup Standards Scientific Advisory Board. Wagner is a Pennsylvania-licensed professional geologist as well as an attorney.



## 1998

**SEAN M. HART** has moved from Flamm, Boroff & Bacine to the Office of General Counsel at PPL in Allentown, PA. He will be managing PPL's labor and employment matters.



**RUE LANDAU** has been appointed executive director of the Philadelphia Commission on Human Relations by Mayor Michael Nutter. PCHR is the city agency that enforces civil rights laws and deals with inter-group conflict within the city. Previously, Landau had been a senior attorney in the housing unit at Community Legal Services since 1998.

## 1999

**LUCRETIA C. CLEMONS** has been elected partner at Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll in the litigation department. She is also a member of the labor, employment and immigration group and a member of the corporate diversity practice.

**ROBYN D. (KOTZKER) LEVITAN** has joined Hangley Aronchick Segal & Pudlin as an associate in the litigation practice.

## 2000

**MARK ANDERSON** was recently appointed by Governor Jon S. Corzine to serve as New Jersey's first Medicaid Inspector General. Anderson previously served as an assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania where he handled cases involving health care and Medicaid fraud, telemarketing fraud, procurement fraud, and drug diversion cases.

**BETH FRIEL** has been named vice president of human resources for Harleysville Insurance. Friel has been with the company since 2006 when she served as assistant vice president and assistant general counsel. Friel formerly was an associate with Montgomery, McCracken, Walker & Rhoads.



**HERB PINDER**, the editorial page editor of the *Journal News* in suburban New York City, has received the New York Newspaper Publishers Association "Distinguished Editorial Writing Award of Excellence" for a series of editorials on the wrongful conviction of Jeffrey Deskovic, an Innocence Project exoneree. Pinder also received the 2007 first-prize award for editorial-writing from the New York State Associated Press Association for opinion pieces he authored on the same subject.

**VICTORIA L. ZELLERS** has been named a member of Cozen O'Connor. Resident in the firm's Philadelphia office, Zellers practices in the labor and employment group. Following law school, Zellers clerked for Judge Ronald J. Freeman of the Superior Court of New Jersey Family Division.

## 2001

**JOEL C. TROTTER** has joined GlaxoSmithKline, where he is senior counsel in the sales, marketing and managed care group.

## 2002

**CHERYL CUTRONA** has been awarded the Sir Francis Bacon Dispute Resolution Award, given annually by the Pennsylvania Bar Association's alternative dispute resolution committee. Since 1991, Cutrona has served as executive director of the Good Shepherd Mediation Program.

**GREG T. KUPNIEWSKI** has joined Flaster/Greenberg as an associate and member of the financial restructuring, bankruptcy and risk management practice group. Prior to joining Flaster/Greenberg, Kupniewski was an associate at Blank Rome in Philadelphia.

**CHRISTIAN P. MARRONE** has been appointed by Secretary Robert Gates to serve as principal deputy assistant secretary of defense for legislative affairs.



M. MARK MENDEL

**2008 GALLERY OF SUCCESS INDUCTEE M. MARK MENDEL '57** is the president of the law firm of M. Mark Mendel, a five-attorney personal injury law firm in Philadelphia. Born in Germany, he came to the U.S. in 1939. Mendel earned a B.S. and and M.A. at Temple University before attending law school. Throughout his legal career, Mendel has specialized in trial law in the areas of tort litigation and public utilities. Before launching his own firm, he served for seven years as public utilities solicitor for the City of Philadelphia, and as solicitor of the Pennsylvania Transportation Assistance Authority. In 1978, Mendel was elected president of the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association, which in 2008 awarded him the Lifetime Achievement Award. Mendel also lectures in the law school's LL.M. in Trial Advocacy program.



# 2003

**RYAN W. O'DONNELL** has been elected a shareholder at the intellectual property firm Volpe and Koenig. His practice focuses on patent, trademark and copyright prosecution, with an emphasis on the chemical, medical and mechanical industries.



**GREGG PERCHICK** and **MELANIE J. LEVIN (PERCHICK), LL.M. '08**, were married in May 2008 in Philadelphia. Perchick has joined Klehr, Harrison, Harvey, Branzburg & Ellers as an associate in the real estate and finance group.

# 2005

**MARSHAL H. DAVIS** maintains a general business law practice with an emphasis on tax law consulting and planning on the local, state and federal levels. He was formerly a tax advisor at Ernst & Young.

**MICHAEL DROSSNER** announces the opening of Drossner Law, where he represents individuals during all stages of government investigations and proceedings, conducts criminal trials in federal and state courts, and handles civil rights litigation

# 2006

**WILLIAM C. KATZ** has joined GluckWalrath in the firm's Trenton, NJ office in the litigation and public entity/municipal law practice groups.

# 2007

**KENNETH E. JACKMAN** and **ZACHARY I. SHAPIRO**, both associates at Richards, Layton & Finger in Wilmington, DE, work in the firm's business department.

# 2008

**JOHN WILLIAMS AITCHISON** was awarded the Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Association's James J. Manderino Award for Trial Advocacy at the association's annual meeting. The award is presented to graduating law students in memory of the late speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.



## IN MEMORIAM

**Jeffrey A. Bartges** Class of 1983  
**Steven B. Goodman** Class of 1993

## STUDENTS AND ALUMS EXCEL IN PUBLIC INTEREST LAW

**JENNIFER RUSSELL '09** received an A. Leon Higginbotham Fellowship, sponsored by the public interest section of the Philadelphia Bar Association. Each year, an agency is chosen to receive \$4,000 in support of a summer intern. Russell, who was one of three Temple Law interns, was selected to receive the fellowship. Russell will work at the Senior Law Center in Philadelphia, where she had interned the previous summer.

**MELANIE TAMBOLAS '08** won first prize in the graduate/alumni/faculty/staff category of the "Be Your Own Boss Bowl," sponsored by the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Institute of the Fox School of Business. Tambolas won cash and prizes worth more than \$7,000 for a business plan for the non-profit organization, After-Schoolhouse, which would establish academically rigorous and comprehensive after-school programs to prepare low-income students from public schools for success in college.

**AISHA BARUNI '05, WILLIAM SHUEY '08, and BRIAN WANG '08** were awarded Independence Foundation Fellowships to pursue public interest work in Philadelphia. Baruni will work at Community Legal Services in the consumer housing unit, Shuey will work at Regional Housing Legal Services, and Wang is taking a position at Nationalities Service Center.

**RASHEEDAH PHILLIPS '08** was awarded a Martin Luther King Fellowship from the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network. With that support, she will join the family advocacy unit at Community Legal Services.

**AMI MODY '08** was named a Philadelphia Public Interest Fellow. Mody will spend her fellowship year working at Education Law Center before joining Morgan Lewis & Bockius as a second year associate.



JULY 2008 **JENNIFER RUSSELL WAS AWARDED THE HIGGINBOTHAM FELLOWSHIP TO SUPPORT A SUMMER INTERNSHIP AT THE SENIORLAW CENTER IN PHILADELPHIA.**

## DEFENSE ATTORNEY IN *HAMDAN* IS 2008 COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



**"OUR JOB IS TO DEFEND OUR CLIENTS," CHARLES D. SWIFT, LL.M. '06 TOLD THE 2008 GRADUATING CLASS OF TEMPLE LAW. "THE LAW IS PERSONAL. YOUR CLIENTS WHO YOU ARE GOING TO MEET, WHETHER THEY BE EXECUTIVES OR THE DOWNTRODDEN, WILL LEARN ABOUT THE LAW FROM YOU. YOU WILL BE HOW THEY SEE THE JUSTICE SYSTEM."**

**MAY 2008** Charles D. Swift, a prominent Navy Judge Advocate General lawyer who represented Salim Hamdan in the U.S. Supreme Court case *Hamdan v. Rumsfeld*, was the featured speaker at the law school's commencement ceremony held in the Liacouras Center and attended by family and friends of the 448 students being awarded J.D. and LL.M. degrees.

*Hamdan v. Rumsfeld* is the landmark decision in which the U.S. Supreme Court held that the military commission system set up by the President to try detainees at Guantanamo Bay lacks "the power to proceed because its structures and procedures violate both the Uniform Code of Military Justice and the four Geneva Conventions signed in 1949." Specifically, the Court held that the Presidential order creating the commissions was invalid because it violated federal statutes and treaties.

The June 29, 2006 Supreme Court decision was handed down just days after defense attorney Swift had been named one of the 100 most influential lawyers in America by the *National Law Journal*. In October 2006, the Navy announced plans to dismiss Swift under its "up or out" promotion policy. When he left, he had more than twelve years of litigation experience in the U.S. military. The same year, the American Civil Liberties Union awarded Swift its highest honor, a Medal of Liberty, in recognition of his dedication to preserving the rule of law during wartime.

In 2008, Swift was a professor at Emory University School of Law, where he taught international humanitarian law, criminal law, evidence and military law. In addition, Swift serves as acting director of a law school clinic in international humanitarian law. Prior to joining the Emory faculty, Swift was a Lieutenant Commander in the Judge Advocate General's Corps, assigned to the Department of Defense Military Commissions.

## ALUMS PROMOTE RULE OF LAW IN SERBIA, RUSSIAN FEDERATION

**Neil Nolen '95 (shown at a press conference, far right) is the new country director for the American Bar Association's Rule of Law Initiative in Belgrade, Serbia. Another Temple Law alum, Gleb Glinka '81 (not shown), is country director for the Russian Federation.**



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# COMMENCEMENT 2008

## What kept me here was you, the students.

— *Professor Robert J. Reinstein, retiring from deanship after 19 years*

“When I became dean it was a very good law school. It’s now a great law school. We have hired remarkable faculty. They are great scholars, but they are also great teachers. . . .”

“What kept me here was you, the students. Your class is graduating with the highest academic credentials in the history of the law school. Despite all the academic and personal pressures that you’re under, our students contribute their time to serve people who would not otherwise be able to afford legal expertise. . . .”

## We were a team.

— *Jonathan A. Grode  
Evening division graduation speaker*

“No one ever told me that law school was a team sport. And no, I’m not referring to one of those star-crossed Philly squads subjected to the curse of William Penn. What I mean, is that when I first considered entering law school, I envisioned this highly competitive cut-throat environment where everyone was out for him or herself; where everyone was concerned with his or her own success, potentially to the detriment of others.

“I [now] know that my original impression could not have been further from the truth. This experience, this accomplishment, was not something that any of us could have done alone. There was an understanding between our classmates that we all would, from time to time, struggle in

balancing the needs of our families, the responsibilities of employment, and the pursuit of academic success. This understanding led to a certain and distinct camaraderie where, when someone needed notes, explanation or encouragement, we were there for each other. Instead of moving against one another, there was a clear and succinct comprehension that we were all in this together, all searching for a common goal and a shared understanding. We were a team.”

## Greatness without goodness is very hollow indeed.

— *Emily Patricia Simpson*

*Day division*

*graduation speaker*



“For the past three years, every time we entered the law school we passed a large bust of Abraham Lincoln, ‘Lincoln the Lawyer’. This often made me smile, simply because I happen to like Lincoln, but recently I realized how very fitting it is that his was the first face we saw when we arrived at school each day. You see,

Lincoln once said, ‘If you are resolutely determined to make a lawyer of yourself, the thing is more than half done already.’ Well, if 51% of becoming a lawyer is resolving to do so, what’s the other 49%? It’s finishing your first week of classes and wondering if you have the courage to return on Monday—and then returning again and again; it’s pocketing a new little pebble of knowledge and realizing that somehow you’ve stumbled upon a canyon of things yet to learn—and then diving into that canyon; it’s replacing sleep and socializing with contracts and con law; it’s learning to fight passionately, and respectfully, for your cause; it’s finding your voice, and using it.

“On our orientation day we were told that the practice of law is a decent and honorable profession. In my three years at Temple I have met a lot of lawyers who, by their example, have convinced me that this is true. I’ve spent a lot of time thinking about how we can convince the world that it’s true, and ultimately I think all we can do is be as good as we can be. It seems that sometimes in the quest for greatness, goodness gets lost. But really, greatness without goodness is very hollow indeed. Our time at Temple has taught us how to be very good lawyers, lawyers who practice with integrity, and grace. If someday someone calls us great—that’s just gravy.”



ROBERT REINSTEIN (RIGHT) WITH INCOMING DEAN JOANNE A. EPPS AND ASSOCIATE DEAN ROBERT J. BARTOW

ABBY MOYER AND EUGENA OH



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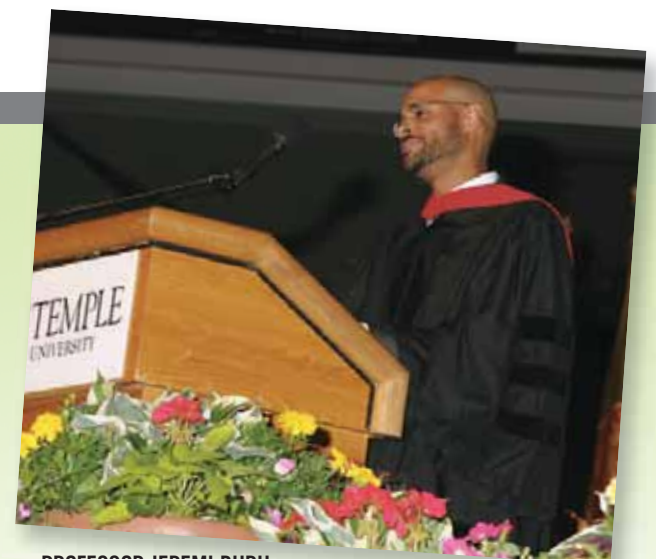
(FROM LEFT) PROFESSORS  
ELEANOR MYERS, SCOTT BURRIS  
AND ALICE ABREU



## I did not disappoint you.

— *N. Jeremi Duru, Outstanding Professor of the Year*

Professor Duru joined the law school faculty in 2005—the same year as the 2008 graduating class—making it particularly poignant that he was chosen by the graduating class to receive the George P. Williams III Memorial Award for the Outstanding Professor of the Year. “I have a warm spot for this class because we got into this together,” said Duru. “Your first year was my first year. One thing I hope you never saw was I wanted desperately not to disappoint you all. And this award means a lot to me because it means that I did not disappoint you.”



PROFESSOR JEREMI DURU

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## SUMMER IN U.S. *for Chinese LL.M.'s*

SUMMER 2008 **Thirty-seven students enrolled in Temple Law's LL.M. program for Chinese lawyers spent 10 weeks studying at Temple's main campus. To supplement their studies and understanding of the U.S. legal system, the students traveled to Washington, D.C. where they met with Justice Antonin Scalia, visited the Chinese embassy, and toured capitol sights.**

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Friday, September 12, 2008*

### NYC ALUMNI RECEPTION

NYC Bar Association, 42 W. 44th Street  
5 to 7 pm

*Tuesday, September 23, 2008*

### DELAWARE-CHESTER COUNTY ALUMNI RECEPTION

Springhaven Club, Wallingford  
5:30 to 7:30 pm

*Thursday, September 25, 2008*

### WASHINGTON DC ALUMNI RECEPTION

The Caucus Room, 401 9th Street NW  
6 to 8 pm

*Sunday, September 28, 2008*

### CHICAGO ALUMNI RECEPTION BRUNCH

11 am to 1 pm  
Ritz Carlton, 160 E. Pearson Street

*Thursday, October 2, 2008*

### FRIEL SCANLAN LECTURE

PRESENTED BY HENRY RICHARDSON  
Duane Morris LLP Moot Courtroom, noon

*Monday, October 6, 2008*

### BUCKS COUNTY ALUMNI RECEPTION

Bucks County Bar Association  
135 E. State Street, Doylestown  
5:30 to 7:30 pm

*Monday, October 13, 2008*

### TAA GOLF OUTING

Frankford/Torresdale Country Club

*Thursday, October 16, 2008*

### PHILADELPHIA FREEDOM BOOK SIGNING

AND TALK, AUTHOR DAVID KAIRYS  
Duane Morris LLP Moot Court Room, noon

*Monday, October 20, 2008*

### ARLIN AND NEYSA ADAMS LECTURE

PRESENTED BY THE HON. ALEX KOZINSKI  
Duane Morris LLP Moot Courtroom, 4 pm

*Tuesday, October 21, 2008*

### MONTGOMERY COUNTY ALUMNI RECEPTION

Montgomery County Bar Association  
100 W. Airy Street, Norristown  
5:30 to 7:30 pm

*Thursday October 23, 2008*

### PA BAR ADMISSIONS CEREMONY

Philadelphia City Hall  
Ceremonial Courtroom 653  
4 to 7 pm

*Saturday, November 8, 2008*

### INTERSECTIONS OF TRANSGENDER LIVES AND THE LAW

*Political and Civil Rights Law Review Symposium*  
Shusterman Hall, 8:30 am to 5 pm



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