

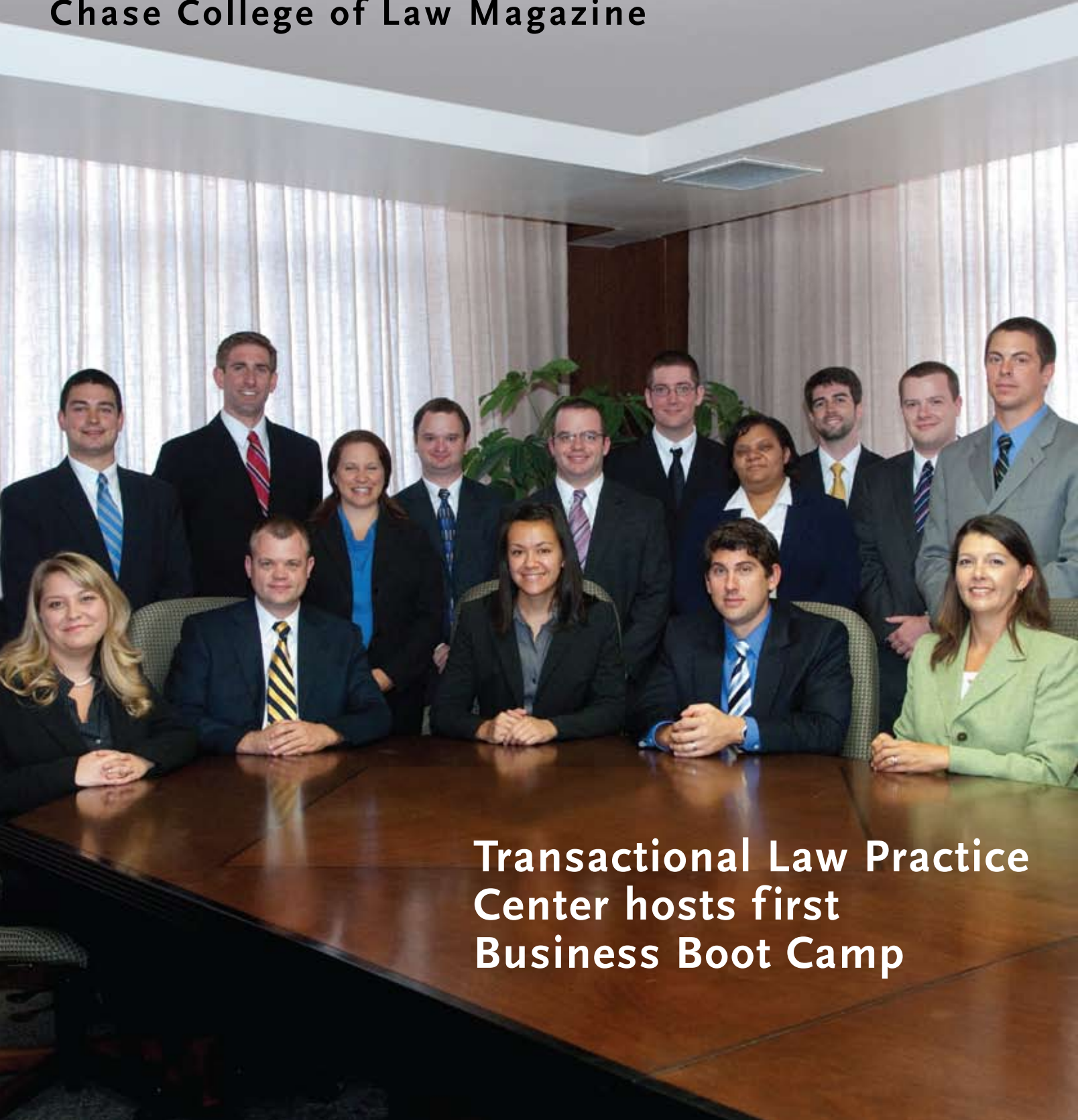
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## From the Dean

### Addressing the changes confronting our profession

It is no secret that the members of the legal profession are facing enormous challenges. As a result, the practice of law is undergoing rapid change, change that affects all aspects of the legal profession, including legal education. And change – we all know – is never easy or painless. It is easier to ignore the forces of change and to console oneself with the comfortable thought that the pressures for change are only temporary and that “normal times” – read “things as they used to be” – will return anon. I suspect the members of the harness-makers guild felt just that way at the turn of the 20th century. It is easy to see now that they were wrong.

Unfortunately, I often hear that same sentiment being expressed by legal educators. They succumb to temptation to keep doing things the way that they have always done things, waiting for the return of the grand old days of legal education when it was enough to lecture and engage in Socratic dialog. I am proud to tell you that at Chase our attitude is quite different. Perhaps because of our tradition as a law school focused on educating lawyers, we are altering our program in ways designed to address the changes confronting our profession. Our goal has always been to provide our students with the knowledge and skills they will need to succeed in practice. That goal continues to guide us.

In the pages that follow, you learn about the many new programs we are developing at the law school to ensure that Chase graduates continue to be among the best-prepared law school graduates. You will learn about the achievements of our students in our clinical programs, in interscholastic competitions, and on the bar examination. And you will read about the successes of our faculty and our alumni.

There is much to be proud of at Chase College of Law. The successes highlighted in this issue of NKU Chase Lawyer and the many successes of our students, our faculty and our alumni make it possible for Chase to remain on the cutting edge of legal education.



**Dennis R. Honabach**  
Dean and Professor of Law

**On the Cover:** Chase students participate in the Transactional Law Practice Center's first annual Business Boot Camp. Pictured are (seated, from left) Tabitha Wooldridge, Ben Bauer, Erin Standen, Chad Silber, Melissa Crump, (standing, from left) Jonathan Collins, Patrick Crotty, Sara Kelley, Nick Orchelle, Nate Arnett, James Moore, JeRhonda Lynem, Brian Murphy, Damian Pickering, and Sam Short.

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# BUSINESS BOOT CAMP

BY MEGAN McCARTY

## Training Chase students to better serve the business community

▲ Professor Porter discusses strategy with a group of students.

“Our challenge was to decide how to best structure the deal to benefit our clients .... It was a challenging experience, but it was also incredibly rewarding.”

NICK ORCHELLE

When Sherry Porter, director of Chase’s Transactional Law Practice Center, and Chase Dean Dennis Honabach were discussing ways to help students understand that, in transactional law, the right legal answer may not necessarily be the right answer for their client’s business situation, they came up with a new solution: Send the students to boot camp. Business Boot Camp, that is.

“A constant lament from clients is that many practicing lawyers do not understand the business aspects of the transactions on which they work,” Porter said. “To remedy that problem, the center offered its inaugural Business Boot Camp this past August.”

Through the free program – designed for second-, third-, and fourth-year Chase students, most with little or no business experience – students worked with top business people, bankers, insurance agents, and human resource professionals to address the various business issues raised in a sample transaction and to help them see the transaction through the eyes of the client.

Ken Kinder ’00, a partner with Cors & Bassett, provided the basic fact scenario and helped line up experienced local business people to work with the students on various business aspects of the problem. The business

practitioners who advised the students were Stephen Brown, division manager, Stock Yards Bank & Trust; Christopher T. Cochran, president, MCF Insurance Services; Debra K. Crane ’96, former senior vice president and general counsel of Ohio Casualty Insurance Co.; Neil Fairweather, Fairweather Law; Brad Jokovich, SPHR, vice president human resources, FirstGroup America, Inc.; Douglas Michel, CPA/ABV, CVA, shareholder, Clark Schaefer Hackett; and Mitch Nice, vice president, Stock Yards Bank and Trust.

### Boardroom Battalions

Participants were divided into teams and met Monday through Friday at local law firms, accounting firms, banks, and business boardrooms with the week culminating in a presentation to a panel of volunteer judges on Saturday. Throughout the week, local experts met with each team to teach them how to read financial statements, how bankers interpret them, and how they use them to determine financing availability and terms. The experts also discussed insurance concerns, human resource matters, and many other business issues found in a typical business acquisition.

While physical training and military fatigues were not part of the program, students who enlisted in BBC – like third-year



▲ Clockwise: Dean Honabach discusses aspects of the sample transaction. Douglas Michel addresses the valuation issues. Nick Orchelle, Erin Standen and Ben Bauer comprise the winning team. Ken Kinder presents the sample transaction to the group. Students deliver their presentation to the prospective buyers. Stephen Brown examines the financing issues.



day student Nick Orchelle – described it as intense.

“We were given a fact pattern that described a small company looking to structure its sale to existing employees,” Orchelle said. “Our challenge was to decide how to best structure the deal to benefit our clients (the purchasers of the company) while taking into account the valuation of the company, financing, tax implications, etc. It was a challenging experience, but it was also incredibly rewarding.”

Orchelle, along with students Erin Standen and Ben Bauer, was a member of the winning team, recognized by the judges for an “outstanding presentation.”

For Bauer, though, the success with the final presentation wasn’t the most important part. He said there was something about sitting in a law firm’s boardroom or in an insurance agent’s downtown office that gave him the feel of what it will be like when he starts to practice law, and the volunteers who met with the students had the biggest impact of all.

“The highlight of the week really was the local professionals who were generous enough to take time out of their schedules to spend with us,” Bauer said. “Seeing how a mortgage lender thinks about the risks of a transaction

and understanding the parameters within which accountants are required to work are insights that we don’t get in school.”

### Basic Training

According to Kinder, the sample transaction used in BBC was one that he had handled years ago that was modified for the program. It immediately came to mind because it involved tax issues, corporate issues, insurance issues, and more, and he felt that BBC provided a perfect environment to introduce students to the idea that there can be more issues to a business transaction than meet the eye.

“Business Boot Camp provided the students with the ability to see what they’ve learned in a real-world setting and in an area where they can ask questions and come up with ideas that may or may not work, but they don’t have to feel the pressure of being an attorney and doing it for the first time,” Kinder said. “I wish I would have had that when I started my job.”

According to Porter, it was amazing how much the students learned in one week and how each issue impacted the other parts of the transaction.

“The best part of the week was watching our students transform from having no

clue what a financial statement was on the first day of BBC to presenting a detailed recommendation to the buyers, explaining how each business issue that had been raised throughout the week should be addressed and why,” Porter said.

After the presentations, the students and their clients (local professionals) had an opportunity to relax and have lunch together. For Bauer, this time with someone who had achieved success in the profession was invaluable.

“The client who sat at our table was an attorney who had more or less built the corporate department from the ground up in the company from which she had retired,” Bauer said. “Of course, we wanted to know all about her experiences. We could have talked all day.”

“I definitely think that the program will help me in the long run,” Standen said. “It opened my eyes to many other potential issues that could arise in a lawsuit or in a business transaction.”

As Kinder said, Chase students who participate in programs like Business Boot Camp get real-life experience that will give them a head start, helping them feel less intimidated when they start practicing.

And no combat boots are required.

## Transactional Law Practice Center Hosts Dustan McCoy '78 as Practitioner in Residence

BY MEGAN McCARTY

Chase's Transactional Law Practice Center has developed a practitioner in residence program that will allow accomplished practitioners to share their experiences and insights about the realities of transactional law practice with the students and faculty of Chase.

Chase graduate Dustan McCoy '78, chair and CEO of Brunswick Corp., served as the TLPC's first "Distinguished Practitioner in Residence." McCoy spent two days in March 2009 at the college of law interacting with students and faculty in lectures, classes, workshops, and small group discussions.

"Mr. McCoy has varied experience both in the legal field and in the business world," said TLPC director Sherry Porter. "His vast experiences give him a great perspective on what skills lawyers need when they leave law school and enter the legal or business fields. Plus, this was a fabulous opportunity for our students to see what different job paths one can take with a law degree from Chase," Porter said.

Rhonda Schechter, a 2009 Chase graduate who attended McCoy's presentations while a student, took away an important message from his visit: "It is not enough to know the law," Schechter recalled. "One must also truly understand a client's business in order to be able to use the law to best serve that client's business needs."

Kristin Walker, a second-year day student, found it especially interesting to hear about McCoy's switch from the "law side" of a company to the "business side," as well as his rise to the top.

"Just knowing that these successful lawyers have come from Chase and have gone through the same experiences that we've gone through really helps me realize that everything I am going through will be worth it in the end," Walker said. "These visits from practicing lawyers have inspired me to want to do great things so that one day I can come back



▲ Jonathan Collins, president of the Transactional Law Practice Group, presents McCoy with a commemorative plaque.

to Chase and share my experiences with future lawyers as well."

According to Porter, students who attended McCoy's sessions particularly enjoyed the "Ask a CEO" session, where they had the opportunity to sit and chat, one on one, with the CEO of a publicly traded company. "The students could ask him anything and he was happy to answer," Porter said.

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DUSTAN MCCOY

"The students participating in the practitioner in residence program were keenly interested in having a meaningful dialogue going well beyond the classroom experience," McCoy said. "They came to each session well informed and knowledgeable about my experience and were prepared with questions, comments, and discussion points to ensure our time together provided them with information and insights."

McCoy also delivered a presentation to Chase students on "What Business People Look for in Attorneys," which focused on the skills and knowledge that business leaders are looking for when hiring attorneys to handle their legal matters.

"Each of us has had our careers and skills shaped by contact with experienced attorneys," McCoy said. "Sharing experiences and learning gained from working every day in our profession is an unspoken obligation we have to those coming after us. Having the opportunity to do so in a structured environment with law students is unique for the practitioner and important to the growth of the students."

In addition to holding lectures and workshops, McCoy also had breakfast with students to talk in a more relaxed setting and attended

a dinner in his honor with faculty, students, alumni, and local business leaders.

Porter said that having McCoy as the inaugural practitioner in residence was an "incredible success" because he was able to speak with so many students, faculty, alumni, and business leaders about his experiences as well as how the TLPC will prepare Chase students to be the next generation of practicing lawyers and business leaders.

Brian Bayes, a 2009 Chase graduate who has known McCoy for several years, also felt the visit was very beneficial. "His presentations showed exactly how demanding his position was – the troubles in running a company in a disastrous market, having to decide on layoffs, and how to still find time to enjoy your family," Bayes said. "I learned from watching him that one of the keys to success is being humble and appreciative of what life brings to you."

"I have had the opportunity over the years to participate in many activities with students," McCoy said. "The time I spent at Chase in the practitioner in residence program was the best organized, most productive, and fulfilling contact with students I have experienced."



**DUSTAN E. MCCOY** is chair and chief executive officer of Brunswick Corp. He previously served as president of the Brunswick Boat Group. He joined Brunswick in 1999 as vice president, general counsel, and corporate secretary. In addition to Brunswick's board of directors, McCoy serves on the board of directors for both Louisiana-Pacific Corp. and Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold, Inc. Prior to joining Brunswick, McCoy served as executive vice president for Witco Corp., with operating responsibility for a variety of global businesses and functions. During his six years at Witco, he also served as senior vice president, general counsel, and corporate secretary. His previous experience also includes 15 years with Ashland Inc., where he served as associate general counsel with responsibility for the corporate law department. He is a member of the Kentucky Bar Association. McCoy is a founding partner of Chase's Transactional Law Practice Center and is a member of the center's board of advisors.



▲ McCoy answers students' questions at a workshop titled "Ask the CEO."



▲ McCoy talks with students at the student breakfast reception.



▲ McCoy delivered a lunch presentation to the Chase faculty titled "Corporate Ethics: A CEO's Perspective."

## Center for Excellence in Advocacy Hosts Richard Lawrence '71 as Practitioner in Residence

BY MEGAN McCARTY



Chase's Center for Excellence in Advocacy has established a practitioner-in-residence program designed to provide an opportunity for successful practitioners to share their advice and experiences about trial advocacy with the college of law community.

The inaugural "Distinguished Practitioner in Residence" for the center was Richard D. Lawrence '71, who is principal of The Lawrence Law Firm in Covington, Ky. Lawrence spent two days in September at Chase participating in lectures, regularly scheduled classes, special workshops, and small-group discussions with students and faculty.

Michele McKinney, Chase 3L and student director of the center, finds that participating in the practitioner-in-residence program supplements her classroom education and allows her to network with and learn from the most skilled attorneys and judges.

"Mr. Lawrence provided us with practical knowledge in the areas of pretrial practice, jury selection, and trial advocacy skills," McKinney said. "He presented us with this unique framework to use when determining the key information to elicit from a witness on the stand."

According to the center's director, Chase professor Rick Bales, Lawrence was a good fit for the program because he is an excellent role model for the students.

"Richard Lawrence is an extremely successful trial lawyer, yet is as humble and down-to-earth as anyone I know," Bales said. "His compassion for his clients is extraordinary. He is highly respected in the local bar for his professionalism and integrity. He is a genuinely wonderful human being."

McKinney agreed that Lawrence was a great choice. After attending two of Lawrence's lectures and having lunch with him, McKinney was fascinated by how passionate he still is about his career.

"During one of his lectures he shared a client's story and was so touched by the memory that he was visibly choked up," McKinney said. "I thought to myself, Wow, he is truly a great advocate for his clients."

As a graduate of Chase, Lawrence found that the visit allowed him

to connect with his own history as well as with those who will be the future of the profession.

"As you get on in your career, you can't help but ask what law will be like in the future," Lawrence said. "I feel that our profession is in good shape when I see the quality of the students and of the faculty. It was a very stimulating experience – the preparation time, the reflection time and the time there. I felt like I got a lot more out of it than I gave."

Lawrence's schedule for his visit included a welcome reception, presentations to the faculty and students, guest lectures in torts classes, a student workshop, a breakfast with the Student Advocacy Society, and a Center for Excellence in Advocacy dinner party.

The focus of many of the sessions was on the civil justice system, a topic Lawrence feels passionately about.

"I'm very concerned about the rights of the injured, especially the profoundly injured who are injured as a result of someone's negligence," Lawrence said. "Because of the civil justice system there is less violence, and people can redress their wrongs in the form of a courtroom verdict as opposed to the need to seek personal revenge."

"One of the reasons I go to Chase – or any law school – is because it's important for students to get exposed to the civil justice system and what it can do for people," he said.

According to Bales, every aspect of the program was a success.

"The social events with students gave them an opportunity to get to know Lawrence personally and to see that a huge ego is not a prerequisite for being a successful trial attorney," Bales said. "The workshops on witness examinations and cross examinations gave students the opportunity to learn critical skills from a master. His guest lecture in professor David Elder's torts classes helped students understand the link between the medical malpractice cases they were reading in their casebook and real-world practice in Kentucky and Ohio. His presentation to students on 'Talking to Juries' demonstrated how a great trial attorney gets jurors to empathize with a client."

The center will be inviting distinguished practitioners to visit the college of law each semester to continue Chase's tradition of innovative advocacy skills training through a unique partnership of law students, faculty, and seasoned practitioners. By participating in the center's activities such as the practitioner-in-residence program, Chase students can learn practical skills related to pretrial practice, negotiating, mediating, trial advocacy, and appellate advocacy, developing the skills necessary to handle a case from beginning to end.

"I think Mr. Lawrence's visit complemented Chase's objectives as the 'Lawyers' School,'" McKinney said. "At Chase, we are provided with many opportunities to learn the practical skills that will give us the competitive edge upon graduation."

**“When Mr. Lawrence visibly choked up while sharing a client’s story, I thought, Wow, he is truly a great advocate for his clients.”**

3L MICHELE MCKINNEY

**RICHARD D. LAWRENCE** graduated from Chase in 1971 with honors and has been litigating cases in southern Ohio, northern Kentucky and across the nation for almost 40 years. Courtroom accomplishments include the winning of an acquittal of a first-degree murder case at the age of 30 and record verdicts for the injured including three verdicts that set state records. Two of his closing arguments have been published. He has been recognized by the National Law Journal, Best Lawyers in America and Super Lawyers and has been the recipient of many prestigious honors and awards. He has also served as an officer and board member for numerous advocacy associations. He has been privileged to speak in Australia, England, Canada and more than 20 states. He has published in medical and legal texts. Lawrence is a founding partner of Chase's Center for Excellence in Advocacy and serves on the center's board of advisors. His daughter, Jennifer, is a 1996 Chase graduate and his daughter, Lindsay, is a 2009 Chase graduate.

> Lawrence talks with a student after his presentation.



▲ Jennifer Lawrence '96 joins her father for a workshop titled "Effective Witness Examinations."



▲ Michele McKinney, president of the Student Advocacy Society, presents Lawrence with a commemorative plaque.



▲ Lawrence delivers a presentation to the student body entitled "Talking to Juries."



▲ Michael Lyon '75 with Lawrence at the dinner party with alumni and friends.

# Giving Back from the Beginning

Chase students begin their law school experience with a day of service to the community

BY MEGAN McCARTY



1. Carrying furniture for the Isaiah Project 2. Painting fences at Campbell Lodge Boys Home 3. Cleaning up the grounds at Senior Services of Northern Kentucky 4. Landscaping at Redwood Rehabilitation Center 5. Painting fences at the Alexandria Fairgrounds 6. Helping at the Behringer-Crawford Museum

PHOTOS PROVIDED

First-year Chase student Tiffany Duncan spent the Saturday before her first day of law school getting some perspective. She was doing some heavy lifting for a furniture drive at a local church's parking lot when she met a woman who had just lost everything in a fire.

"The items this woman received couldn't bring back her old belongings or replace her home, but she said she still felt blessed and that 'you'll take anything when you have nothing,'" Duncan said. "It made me think about how bad times can fall on anyone."

"During my professional life, I am probably going to encounter people who have just been through the worst experience of their lives, and I hope that they won't have to just take anything," she said. "I hope that I can give them my best effort and get them what they truly deserve."

That's exactly the kind of experience the creators of Chase College of Law's pro bono service program had in mind for students when they put together a Saturday community service project for all incoming law students. Duncan was one of about 200 students who participated in the brand new program August 22, and because of its success, the morning of service will continue to be held annually for Chase's incoming day and evening students.

"An important part of the legal profession is to give back and serve the community," said Molly Tami, associate dean for student affairs and director of the Chase pro bono service program. "This involves more than just giving back with legal work. Plus, because first-year students can't do law-related service right off the bat, this is a good opportunity for them to serve the public."

## Working in the Community

Students who participated in the service project found themselves working hard, whether painting, cleaning, landscaping, sorting clothing, packaging food, moving furniture, or walking dogs. They were divided among a variety of local charitable organizations, including Campbell Lodge Boys Home; Senior Services of Northern Kentucky; Isaiah Project; Shoulder to Shoulder, Inc.; Redwood Rehabilitation Center; Behringer-Crawford Museum; Kenton County Animal Shelter; and the Alexandria Fairgrounds.

First-year Chase student Pete Nienaber, for example, found himself chipping paint off a fence around an arena at the Alexandria Fairgrounds and then repainting it in preparation for an upcoming Labor Day fair. "When you start your day off in a positive way, it helps carry you through the rest of the day," Nienaber said. "We spend a lot of time in the abstract world of law, where the results of your work can be hidden. It's nice to be able to see the product of your work. And it's always a good feeling to help others."

First-year student Heather De Maynadier, who volunteered at the Kenton County Animal Shelter, said that because her goal is to become a human rights lawyer, she hopes that the service experience and more experiences like it will help her stay in tune with her environment and

make her want to contribute in whatever way she can.

Chase student Edward Kim, who also worked at the animal shelter, agreed that the time spent helping out in the community was worthwhile. "The community service project reminded me that I was not in law school just for my benefit but for people (and animals) in need," Kim said.

After working at the sites from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., students returned to the Student Union on NKU's campus for lunch, a student organization fair, and a chance to talk with bar association representatives. Chase alumni were also at the event, giving free Chase T-shirts to the students.

## Building a Community

One of the other purposes of the day of service was to give the new students an opportunity to get to know other students in their own class as well as for day and evening students to have a chance to interact.

During her first semester, Chase student Elizabeth Wafula – who spent the morning of the service project painting at the Campbell Lodge Boys' Home – has seen the benefit the project has had in the way she interacts with her classmates. "Through the volunteer work, I met four or five other people from my class, and one of them has since become a good friend," Wafula said.

The opportunity to get to know classmates meant a lot to Brittany Born, an evening student who spent the morning scrubbing a nursery at Redwood Rehabilitation Center. "I think it's more difficult for the part-time students to blend and forge the friendships that the full-time students are able to," Born said. "Most of us work full time; we race to school three nights a week, and we commute back home after class, so it's more difficult to get to know each other and become close. Being able to participate in activities like the service projects are helpful in that respect, and I think I especially appreciated it for that reason," she said.

## Making a Difference

Overall, Tami said the service project was a great success. "The organizations thought it was fantastic," Tami said. "They were impressed with the students and really appreciative that we did it. They hoped the Chase students would come back again next year."

In addition to the service project, Chase students will also be continuing their dedication to community service by completing a minimum of 50 hours of pro bono work before graduating, all through the pro bono service program.

The goal, according to Tami, is to help Chase students "do well while doing good," and this idea is resonating with the students.

"Working together on a service project is a lot like working together in the academic setting," said Duncan. "We all have different talents, and some of us get things faster than others, but if we work together toward a common goal and help each other out along the way, we can accomplish something that will benefit our community as a whole."

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## New Faculty



**ANTHONY E. CHAVEZ**, assistant professor of law, joined the Chase faculty in 2009. He received his B.A. from Loyola Marymount University and his J.D. from Yale Law School. He will teach civil procedure and environmental law, and has previously taught contracts, corporations, election law, and legal research and writing.

Prior to teaching, Anthony Chavez primarily litigated cases under the Voting Rights Act of 1965. He received a Special Achievement Award

from the U.S. Department of Justice for his work in the Civil Rights Division's Voting Section and subsequently served as the director of voting rights litigation for the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Educational Fund. As a result of his work, the secretary of commerce appointed him to serve on an advisory committee to help reduce the minority undercount for the 2000 Census. He has also testified regarding voting rights or census issues before the U.S. House Judiciary subcommittee and the California Assembly as well as before local governments, community groups, and professional organizations.

Chavez is licensed as both an attorney and a certified public accountant in California. He left his position as the director of legal research and writing at the University of California at Davis to teach at Chase. He has written regarding the decennial census and the redistricting of election districts.



**RICHARD GRAVES**, assistant professor of law, joined the Chase faculty in 2009. He received his J.D. from Tulane Law School and holds a Master of Laws in intellectual property and another in international law and business. He will teach patent law and basic legal skills – writing.

Graves joined Chase after eight years as a litigator and nine years on the faculty of Stetson University College of Law. His litigation practice areas included contracts, intellectual property,

products liability, insurance, and appeals. He has served as a judicial law clerk to U.S. District Court Judge Henry A. Mentz, Jr., as a master of the Judge John M. Scheb Inn of Court, as editor-in-chief of the third edition of the Texas bar's legal ethics treatise, and as a continuing legal education instructor for both the University of Houston Law Foundation and the National Law Foundation. While at Tulane Law School, he won all three Moot Court competitions for individuals, served as an editor of the Tulane Law Review, and won the Gertler Award for the best case note of his review class. His publications include *Globalization, Treaty Powers*, and *Limits of the Intellectual Property Clause*, for which he won the 2003 Charles B. Seaton award.



**KIMBERLY HAUSBECK**, assistant professor of law, joined the Chase faculty in 2009. She received her J.D. from Washington and Lee University School of Law and her LL.M. from Temple University. She will teach basic legal skills-writing and has previously taught legal research and writing, property law, conflict of laws, and federal Indian law.

Immediately following law school, Kimberly Hausbeck joined Volunteers in Service to America, an AmeriCorps program, and was assigned to work on the Crow Indian Reservation in Montana. As a VISTA volunteer, she engaged in anti-alcohol and anti-drug activities on the Crow Indian Reservation.

After her VISTA appointment, Hausbeck was hired by the National Park Service as a legal research staff specialist. She completed several legal research and writing projects for national parks in the Rocky Mountain region, primarily in the field of federal Indian law. In 1997, she left the park service and opened a general law practice in Hardin, Mont. During this time, she began teaching business law as an adjunct professor at Little Bighorn College.

She has also taught at Louisiana State University – Alexandria, Temple University Beasley School of Law, and Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center.

## FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

### Jennifer Anglim Kreder

In 2009, Professor **JENNIFER ANGLIM KREDER** was awarded a Faculty Excellence Award for Excellence in Scholarly or Creative Activity, presented by the Office of the Vice Provost of Northern Kentucky University.

She is a prolific scholar on art theft arising from the Holocaust, and she frequently engages in *pro bono* and volunteer work. She testified before envoys of the United States State Department preparing for a diplomatic conference in Prague on art looted by the Nazis during the Holocaust era, and she filed a friend-of-the-court brief with the former deputy head of the U.S. Treasury in a Nazi-looted art case in the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.



Her work on Jewish art litigation and Holocaust-era art history has contributed to the historical documentation of the period as well as attempts to return works of art to people with legitimate claims of ownership.

In the past year alone, Kreder has published more than a dozen law review articles and book chapters and given presentations in Chicago and Vienna, Austria.

She is active within the Lawyers Committee for Cultural Heritage Protection and previously served as co-chair of the Art and Cultural Heritage Committee of the ABA Section of International Law.

Kreder is associate professor of law and associate dean for faculty development. She received her B.A. in political science from the University of Florida and her J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. A member of the Chase faculty since 2004, she has taught art law, cultural property law, civil procedure, legal analysis and problem solving, property, and remedies.

According to Kreder, her experiences in the classroom are the most rewarding.

"I think the best part of being a professor might actually occur after the students go off to their first jobs and send back e-mails that say: 'I'm so glad we learned such-and-such in your class, because it made all the difference.'"



## Chase Arbitration Teams Win Regional Competition



Michelle Eviston, Jared Burke, Alyse Bender, Emily Litzinger, Jon Davis, Jessica Biddle, Erin Kennedy, and MyLinda Sims.

Chase College of Law's arbitration teams won both brackets of an American Bar Association regional arbitration competition in Ft. Worth, Texas, November 21 and 22.

The team of Alyse Bender, Jared Burke, Michelle Eviston, and Emily Litzinger defeated teams from Florida A&M School of Law, South Texas College of Law, and Texas Wesleyan University School of Law. The team of Jessica Biddle, Jon Davis, Erin Kennedy, and MyLinda Sims also won by defeating teams from Florida A&M School of Law, Texas Wesleyan University School of Law, and the University of Oklahoma School of Law.

The competition included opening statements, witness examinations, exhibit introductions, evidentiary presentations, and summations.

Rick Bales, director of the Chase Center for Excellence in Advocacy, coached the teams with the help of third-year students Rob Altman, Joe Neff, and Elle Peck. The Chase faculty, NKU faculty, and Chase alumni who judged practice rounds and otherwise helped the team prepare for competition were university vice president and general counsel Sara Sidebottom '78; professors Henry L. "Steve" Stephens, Kathleen Johnson, Teressa Elliott, and Stephen Yungbluth; and Zac Corbin '09, Jim Frooman '90, Jay Haehlen, and Rick Hamilton '00.

## Grosse Moot Court Competition



Barry Spurlock, Lawrence Hilton, Christopher Allesee, and Loree Stark competed in the Grosse Moot Court Competition.

The W. Jack Grosse Moot Court Competition was held January 23 in the Student Union ballroom in front of a packed house of peers, professors, family, and friends. Lawrence Hilton took first place in the competition, and Barry Spurlock placed second. Christopher Allesee and Loree Stark tied for third place. This is the second intramural moot court competition win for Hilton – he also won the 2009 Bettman Moot Court Competition this past spring.

The students argued a fictitious case about a legal secretary who won \$10 in a sexual harassment/hostile work environment lawsuit. The students addressed whether the work environment was sufficiently hostile under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and whether the secretary's attorney should have been awarded \$125,000 in fees when the client won only \$10 in damages.

Allesee and Spurlock represented the law firm, and Hilton and Stark represented the secretary. The students are all in their second year at Chase.

The competition was judged by United States Magistrate Judge J. Gregory Wehrman, Kentucky Court of Appeals Judge Michelle Keller '90, and retired Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Donald C. Wintersheimer.

## Inaugural Opening Statement Competition



Competition winner Lisa Gentry and runner-up Greg Laux.

The Center for Excellence in Advocacy and the Chase Student Advocacy Society held the inaugural opening statement competition October 24. The competition was open to all first-year students. The participants were given a criminal fact pattern, a breakout training session with the Chase Trial Team members, and 5-10 minutes in which to deliver their opening statement. Lisa Gentry won the competition, and Greg Laux was the runner-up.

The competition judges were Josh Brown, Robert Davis '58, Kris Ellena '08, Professor Rick Graves, Dean Lawrence Rosenthal, Bob Sanders, Beverly Storm '80, Matt Strange, and Harry Sudman '72. The competition was organized by Chase Student Advocacy Society students Michelle Eviston, Melissa Hailey, Meagan Lorenzen Tate, Ryan Maxwell, Mike McKinney, and Joseph Mooney. Professors Rick Bales, Sharlene Lassiter-Boltz and Barbara McFarland helped coordinate the program.

## Clinics and Externships



▲ Brett Renzenbrink

As they prepare to enter a competitive legal market upon graduation, Chase students are provided with multiple opportunities to get practical, hands-on experiences outside the classroom. Many of these opportunities are provided through the Ohio Justice and Policy Center, which partners with Chase through the Constitutional Litigation Clinic and the Indigent Defense Clinic. The Constitutional Litigation Clinic gives third- and fourth-year Chase students the opportunity to handle OJPC cases in federal and state court under the supervision of Chase visiting professor David Singleton. Through the Indigent Defense Clinic, students have the opportunity to assist underprivileged clients while under the supervision of local attorneys.

Students can also gain real-life experience through externships like the Kentucky Criminal Justice Externship program, which partners with the Kenton Commonwealth's Attorney and the Public Defender for Kenton and Campbell Counties. The externship program allows students to actively participate in the criminal justice system on a "limited license" basis under the supervision of a licensed attorney.

During the 2009 fall semester, Chase 3L student Brett Renzenbrink, working through



▲ Erin Melchior

the Constitutional Litigation Clinic, argued on behalf of a former prisoner who was beaten and almost murdered by a prison gang. Through the Kentucky Criminal Justice Externship program, Renzenbrink sat as second chair to Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Casey Burns and obtained a felony conviction for second-degree burglary. Also through the externship program, Renzenbrink obtained a felony conviction in a drug trafficking case sitting as second chair to Kenton County Commonwealth's Attorney Rob Sanders '98.

"I would strongly urge anyone interested in becoming a trial lawyer to not only participate in one of the clinics offered by Chase but to also aggressively pursue the opportunities they offer," Renzenbrink said. "There are some things you simply cannot learn in a book."

Erin Melchior, a Chase 3L student participating in the externship program, assisted in a two-week murder trial with Kenton County Commonwealth's First Assistant Jim Redwine '84. The opportunity for a law student to participate in a murder trial is rare, but because of the skills Melchior has obtained throughout her studies at Chase, the prosecutor was confident in her ability



▲ Kelly Harwood

to assist him with this case. Throughout the trial, Melchior conducted direct examinations of witnesses as well as prepared the cross-examination of the defendant using experience and approaches learned through her involvement with the national trial team and the Kentucky Mock Trial Competition.

"I think there is truth to the fact that part of being a good trial lawyer is instinct and art, but the rest is a science, a certain set of skills you have to fundamentally learn in order to present that flawless set of evidence to a jury," Melchior said. "Those are the kinds of skills that Chase is teaching its students – the dos and don'ts of trial work – as well as the set of skills needed to legally lay down a case."

Chase 3L student Kelly Harwood, working through the externship program, sat as second chair to Burns in a jury trial and obtained a felony conviction for trafficking in a controlled substance. "The externship has been beneficial because it has allowed me to get out of the classroom and into a real-life legal setting," Harwood said. "Working closely with the attorneys at the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office has taught me lessons that a case book cannot."

**“I would strongly urge anyone interested in becoming a trial lawyer to not only participate in one of the clinics offered by Chase but to also aggressively pursue the opportunities they offer. There are some things you simply cannot learn in a book.”**

**BRETT RENZENBRINK**

## Class of 2009 commencement ceremony



The NKU Chase College of Law 2009 commencement ceremony was held May 9, 2009. Northern Kentucky University President James C. Votruba presided over the ceremony and conferred law degrees to 134 graduates.

Philip J. Schworer '86, president of the Cincinnati Bar Association, delivered the commencement address. Schworer received an honorary Doctor of Laws during the ceremony in recognition of his exemplary leadership and service to the bar and community and his steadfast commitment to equal opportunity within the legal profession.



Molly Tami, Chase associate dean for student affairs and admissions, presented the welcome and opening remarks; Gail Wells, NKU vice president for academic affairs and provost, delivered remarks in recognition of Chase faculty; and Chase Dean Dennis Honabach presented the degree candidates.

Awards were presented on behalf of the graduating class by Adam Stigall, president of the Chase Student Bar Association. The 2009 Robert O. Lukowsky Outstanding Faculty Award recipient was Professor Henry L. "Steve" Stephens, and the 2009 Outstanding Staff Member Award recipient was Chase registrar Jenny Young.

## Law Review Fall Symposium

The Northern Kentucky Law Review hosted its fall symposium October 17 in the Student Union on NKU's campus. The symposium was titled "Race and the Death Penalty." Speakers included:

- **MELYNDA J. PRICE**, assistant professor at the University of Kentucky College of Law, who talked about "Contemporary Influences of the Death Penalty and Race."
- **SCOTT W. HOWE**, Frank L. Williams Professor of Criminal Law at Chapman University School of Law, who discussed "Race, Death, and Disproportionality."
- **RONALD J. TABAK**, who spoke on "The Continuing Role of Race in Capital Cases, Notwithstanding President Obama's Election." Tabak is special counsel at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, L.L.P. and Affiliates and co-chair of the Death Penalty Committee of the American Bar Association's Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities.
- **GENNARO F. VITO**, professor and distinguished university scholar at the University of Louisville's Department of Justice Administration, who discussed "The Racial Justice Act in Kentucky."

The symposium concluded with a panel discussion moderated by Chase professor Michael Mannheimer. The law review's symposium editor was Brad Gibson, and the editor-in-chief was Christen Steimle.



# Student photo gallery



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▲ *Clockwise:* First-year students and their families talk with faculty and alumni at the Chase welcome picnic. Northern Kentucky Law Review members attend the spring 2009 symposium. The Student Bar Association presents the 2009 Gentry Aubrey Scholarship. Students attend the 2009 Judge Judy West luncheon. The Chase Legal Association of Women student organization hosts a panel discussion.

▲ *Clockwise:* Kentucky Chief Justice John Minton delivers the first presentation of the professionalism series for first-year students. Students gather at the Black Law Students Association's "meet and greet." New 2009 graduates pose with the "next generation." Graduates and their families and friends gather at the 2009 graduation reception sponsored by the Chase Alumni Association. Students play in the 2009 Student Bar Association golf outing.

## Alumni Awards



▲ Judge Ralph Winkler



▲ Mary Denise Kuprionis



▲ Judge John Andrew West



▲ Brett A. Schatz

**T**he NKU Chase College of Law Alumni Association honored four alumni during its annual Chase Alumni Luncheon October 9 at The Bank of Kentucky Center on NKU's campus.

**JUDGE RALPH WINKLER '70** was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award. He is a retired visiting judge on Ohio's First District Court of Appeals. He has served on the bench for more than 30 years, including four years on the Hamilton County Municipal Court and 18 years on the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas before being first elected to the Ohio Court of Appeals in 1998. He also served in the United States Army, as a federal agent, and as the first assistant United States attorney for the Southern District of Ohio. He has also been very active in civic organizations and community affairs.

**MARY DENISE KUPRIONIS '94** was the recipient of the Professional Achievement Award. She is vice president, secretary, and chief ethics and compliance officer of The E.W. Scripps Co. She was the first woman elected as an officer of the company, and she has held numerous leadership positions. Also active in many professional, civic, and philanthropic organizations, she

serves as chair of the board of trustees of the College of Mount St. Joseph and is a member of the board of trustees of Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center. In September 2009, she was selected as one of 21 women lawyers nationwide to participate in the American Bar Association's 2009 "DirectWomen" program, an initiative designed to identify and promote qualified women lawyers to serve on corporate boards of public companies.

**JUDGE JOHN ANDREW WEST '71** was the recipient of the Exceptional Service Award. A judge on the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas, he has served the Greater Cincinnati/northern Kentucky community for more than 40 years as a history teacher, a lawyer, a jurist, and a board member of the Cincinnati Bar Association, National Conference of Community and Justice, and YMCA. He is a founding member of the Black Lawyers Association of Cincinnati and is co-chair of the BLAC-CBA roundtable, an organization dedicated to increasing the

1. The concourse at The Bank of Kentucky Center. 2. Alumni association outgoing president Steve Schuh '78 receives his commemorative gift. 3. Dean Dennis Honabach delivers the welcoming remarks. 4. David Barth '78 talks with Jim Carroll '78. 5. Alumni association president Susan Cross Lipnickey '91 presents the awards. 6. Guests enjoy lunch at the Frost Brown Todd table.



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presence of African Americans in the legal community. He is also a member of the Chase College of Law board of advisors.

**BRETT A. SCHATZ '00** was the recipient of the Outstanding Recent Alumnus Award. Brett is a partner at the law firm of Wood, Herron, and Evans, where he has litigated complex lawsuits in all areas of intellectual property. He was named as one of the Ohio Super Lawyers – Rising Stars in 2006 and 2007. He has served as an adjunct professor at Chase College of Law and currently serves as the vice chair of the intellectual property section of the Cincinnati Bar Association.

More than 300 Chase alumni and friends attended the luncheon. The alumni association also hosted a CLE program before and after the luncheon titled "A View from Across the River II: Nuances between Kentucky and Ohio Practice." Featured speakers were Stephanie A. Dietz '94, Randy J. Blankenship '96, Eliot G. Bastian '99, Paige Leigh Ellerman '99, Professor John M.

Bickers, Judge Michelle M. Keller '90, and James R. Adams.

The program sponsor was Taft, Stettinius & Hollister. The table sponsors were: Adams, Stepner, Woltermann & Dusing; Arnzen, Molloy & Storm; Chase College of Law; Cors & Bassett; Dinsmore & Shohl; Dressman, Benzinger & LaVelle; The Farrish Law Firm; Frost Brown Todd; Greenebaum, Doll & McDonald; Keating, Muething & Klekamp; Mary Denise Kuprionis '94; The Lawrence Firm; Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss; NKU Alumni Programs; NKU Foundation; O'Hara, Ruberg, Taylor, Sloan & Sergent; Parry, Deering, Futscher & Sparks; Brett A. Schatz '00; Schuh & Goldberg; Sutton Rankin Law; Taft, Stettinius & Hollister; Turner Construction Co.; Judge John Andrew West '71; Judge Ralph Winkler '70; Wood, Herron & Evans; and Wood & Lamping.

## Allf named 2009 Outstanding Chase Alumna



**N**ancy L. Allf '82 was named 2009 Outstanding Chase Alumna by the NKU Alumni Association at its annual alumni awards banquet February 5, 2010. Allf practices in Las Vegas, Nev., and served as the president of the State Bar of Nevada in 2007. She has practiced in the areas of commercial litigation, business law, and bankruptcy for the past 27 years. Until November, she practiced with the law firm of Gonzalez, Saggio & Harlan, where she was chair of their bankruptcy practice group. She recently opened her own law practice in Las Vegas and is currently a candidate for district judge in Clark County, Nev. Allf is admitted to practice in Nevada; the U.S. District Court, District of Nevada; the U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; the U.S. Tax Court; and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Allf previously served as president of the Clark County Bar Association and the Clark County Bar Foundation. Her professional memberships also include the American Bar Association, National Conference of

Bar Presidents, American Bankruptcy Institute, Outstanding Lawyers of America, Southern Nevada Association of Bankruptcy Attorneys, Southern Nevada Association of Women Attorneys, and the Social Register of Las Vegas. She has been the recipient of many awards throughout her prominent career, including honors from Super Lawyers magazine, In Business magazine, the Clark County Pro Bono Project, the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Women Business Owners, and the Outstanding Young Woman of America. During the Las Vegas centennial celebration in 2005, she was named one of 300 women who shaped the history of Las Vegas.

Allf received her Bachelor of Arts in French from Transylvania University in Lexington, Ky., and is a past recipient of Transylvania's Distinguished Alumni Award. She is actively involved in numerous civic, charitable, and nonprofit organizations and is a frequent speaker. Allf resides in Las Vegas with her husband, David V. Thomas.



▲ Allf talks with Chase faculty during a reception.



▲ Allf talks with vice president for university advancement Gerry St. Amand and professors Roger Billings and Chris Gulinello.



▲ Allf meets with student leaders for brunch.

## Alumni Awards Past Recipients

**OUTSTANDING ALUMNUS AWARD**  
 Ambassador Patricia L. Herbold '77  
 Michael C. Murray '89  
 Richard M. Rothfuss '77  
 Joseph W. Shea, III '74

**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**  
 W. Jack Grosse '62  
 Hon. Lambert L. Hehl '52  
 Ernest Karam '47  
 Hon. Raymond E. Lape '68  
 Richard D. Lawrence '71  
 Ambrose H. Lindhorst '40  
 Dan Meyer '67  
 Hon. Maurice A. Niehaus '41  
 Hon. Jack Sherman, Jr. '69

**PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**  
 Alyson S. Barclay '85  
 Phyllis G. Bossin '77  
 Hon. John H. Burlew '75  
 R. Fred Capps '82 (posthumously)  
 Robert W. Carran '69  
 Gary D. Cohen '78  
 Larry J. Crigler '71  
 D. Craig Dance '77  
 W. Jack Grosse '62  
 Jakki L. Haussler '88

William H. Hawkins, II '78  
 Hon. Richard N. Koehler '52  
 Bea V. Larsen '69  
 Joseph J. Leary '34  
 Hon. Paul R. Leonard, Jr. '69  
 Henry E. Menninger, Jr. '77  
 Hon. Danny C. Reeves '81  
 J. Bernard Robinson '78  
 Debra D. Rothstein '76  
 Hon. Robert P. Ruwe '70  
 Richard B. Saphire '71  
 Hon. Jack Sherman, Jr. '69  
 Hon. Leslie Spillane '74  
 Pamela A. Spoor '78  
 Senator Katie Kratz Stine '84  
 Alan C. Stout '81  
 Daniel P. Stratton '78  
 Lajuana S. Wilcher '80  
 John S. Wirthlin '51

**EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD**  
 J. David Bender '79  
 Hon. William R. Dunn '50  
 Kelly Farrish '78  
 Robert A. Goering '62  
 Darrell R. Gordon '97  
 W. Jack Grosse '62  
 Hon. Lambert L. Hehl '52

William C. Knapp '79  
 Henry E. Menninger, Jr. '77  
 Hon. Clyde W. Middleton '74  
 Hon. John R. O'Connor '67  
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▲ Professor Emeritus Bob Bratton '64 welcomes past award recipient Judge Lambert Hehl '52.



▲ Past award recipient Bill Hawkins '78 chats with past alumni association president Robert Davis '58.



▲ David Bender '79 greets Judge Ray Lape '68. Both are past award recipients.

# NKU Chase Alumni Admissions Ceremony at U.S. Supreme Court

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▲ Chief Justice John Roberts poses with the new members of the bar of the Supreme Court.

Eighteen Chase alumni traveled to Washington, D.C., to be sworn in as members of the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States May 18, 2009. The trip marked the fifth annual Chase Alumni Association Group Admission Ceremony at the Supreme Court.

The Chase alumni, their family members and guests, and representatives from the college of law gathered at a reception the evening prior to the group admission ceremony. The reception was held in the Thornton Room at the Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill, which offers a spectacular view of the lighted Capitol dome.

Following the admissions ceremony, a reception was held in the Court's east conference room where the portrait of U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase is displayed. Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg attended the reception. A luncheon was then held at the historic Willard Intercontinental Hotel to conclude the day's activities.



▲ Clerk of the Supreme Court William Suter talks with Dean Dennis Honabach and Chase Alumni Association President Steve Schuh '78.



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Newly admitted members of the Supreme Court bar include: Richard Albert Brueggemann '04, Timothy James Byland '08, Daniel Eric Cohen '85, Kenneth Scifres Dean '80, Richard J. Gangwish II '77, Daniel Wayne Gehr '08, Jennifer Thompson Harley '04, Catherine E. Howard '03, Matthew Rich, Bryan V. Reed '92, Norton Brooke Roberts '93, Julie Ann Schoepf '05, Gregory Lee Sizemore '92, Meredith Oberklein Spille '05, Timothy Bernard Spille '05, William Kash Stilz, Jr. '02, Howard Litton Tankersley '93, Christine Marion Vissman '85, and Charlton Hubert Young '92.

Chase College of Law representatives participating in the event were Dean Dennis Honabach, Associate Dean David MacKnight, Associate Dean Karen Ogburn and Advancement Specialist Shelley Menninger. Chase Alumni Association President Stephen J. Schuh '78 made the motion for admission before the Court.

1. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg talks with Chase alumni at the reception. 2. Julie Schoepf '05 and Joe Schoepf pose in front of the statue of Chief Justice John Marshall. 3. The group gathers for lunch at the historic Willard Intercontinental Hotel after the ceremony. 4. Greg Sizemore '92 with his son, Nathaniel; wife, Cindy; and mother, Naomi. 5. Chief Justice John Roberts speaks to the Chase alumni.

# Alumni photo gallery



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▲ *Clockwise:* Chase Alumni Association board members serve lunch to Chase graduates taking the Ohio Bar Exam in Columbus. Outgoing Northern Kentucky Bar Association president John Garvey '91 passes the gavel to incoming president Jeff Aylor '90. Chase Alumni Association board members give Chase T-shirts to first-year students at the Chase Welcome Picnic. Kentucky Court of Appeals Judges Michelle Keller '90 and Joy Moore '96 join with Judge Shea Nickell to hear oral arguments at Chase. Eliot Bastian '99 receives the Black Law Students Association's "Keeper of the Dream Award".

▲ *Clockwise:* Chase alumni and friends play in the Chase Alumni Golf Outing at Belterra Resort Golf Course. Members of the Class of 2009 gather at the Chase Alumni Association's graduation reception. James Brockman, Jay Langenbahn '76, and Michael Lyon '75 of Lindhorst and Dreidame teach their Voir Dire Strategies course on Saturday mornings. Joseph Shea '74 delivers the featured presentation titled "The Art of Lawyering" to the Chase student body. Associate Dean Lawrence Rosenthal talks with Jan Oliver '91 and Mac Riley '86 at the Chase College of Law Board of Advisors Meeting.

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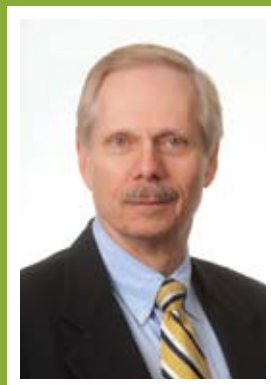
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Dan is a proven development professional with 25 years experience in the not-for-profit sector. He has served as a fundraising professional in the performing arts and in higher education and gives back to his profession through his own training and consulting practice. He previously served as a major gift planner for Florida State University, Virginia Tech, and The Citadel, where he was instrumental in significant advancements in the educational programs of those institutions.

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
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
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Elizabeth (Horwitz) Seaver  
Martin Sheehan  
James O. Springate  
Steven O. Thornton  
Joseph M. Worley

**Class of 1984**

Darrell C. Baker  
N. Jeffrey Blankenship  
Michael Burman  
Michael A. Duncan  
Donald T. Hiatt  
J. Gregory Jones

Thomas J. Kluener  
Mary P. Latham  
James J. Luersen  
David Martin  
William L. Patrick  
Jim Redwine  
Miriam T. Sheline  
James M. Tarkington  
Barry J. Tuemler  
James Wethington  
Joseph S. Yates

**Class of 1985**

Margaret A. Burks  
Deborah L. Crooks  
Margarita H. Ferguson-Ross  
James A. Grant  
Patricia B. Hafele  
T. Neil Heppler  
James C. Martini  
Renee Muncy  
Ann R. Myre  
Daniel F. Nesbitt  
Sammie E. Pigg, Jr.  
Philip C. Pyle  
Terry Risner  
Joseph L. Sallee, Jr.  
Mary F. Sanker  
Susan W. Schiff  
T. Scott Sennett  
Karen A. Thomas  
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Chris Vissman  
Wilson G. Weisenfelder, Jr.  
Zack N. Womack  
A. Christian Worrell III

**Class of 1986**

Don A. Bailey  
Jeanette Baus-Raptis  
Gary Beatrice  
Stephen D. Berry  
Randy Blankenship  
John L. Bush  
John E. Donnelly  
Ellen Essig  
Clint J. Harris  
George T. Hays  
Guy J. Hibbs  
Kevin G. Krogmeier  
Allen M. Mandelbaum  
Anita Mindrup-Ivie  
Mark A. Ogle  
Mac Riley  
Patricia G. Rulli  
Philip J. Schworer  
Kenneth A. Sizemore  
Daniel Tuley  
Thomas A. Wietholter

**Class of 1987**

Jeffrey J. Brock  
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Timothy L. Coyle  
Jeanne D. Dodd  
John Jay Fossett  
Brien G. Freeman  
Stephen G. Geurin  
Samuel P. Givens, Jr.  
Donna Goff  
Thomas Goff  
Daniel E. Moriarty  
Thomas G. Polites  
Jeffrey M. Sanders  
Ray H. Stoess  
Rebecca A. Strunk-Mills  
Vincent E. Thomas  
Edward Walter  
Frank E. Warnock  
Ralph E. Winkler

**Class of 1988**

Carolyn Clark-Cox  
Rose Ann Fleming  
Howard Keith Hall  
J. Kevin King  
Ralph E. McClanahan II  
Robert Muncy  
Janice L. Platt  
D. Scott Porter  
T. Marcum Robbins  
Regina Sheehan  
Joseph P. Thomas  
William M. Thompson  
Daniel Tobergte  
John Winkler

**Class of 1989**

Barbara C. Arnzen  
Sara J. Boswell-Dent  
Jeffrey T. Burdette  
Robert Costanzo  
Raymond F. DeBolt, Jr.  
Tami Dosker  
James and Melissa Eilers  
Michael B. Fox  
Sallee M. Fry  
Meryl G. Gibbons  
Gayle L. Gray  
Martin A. Haas  
Stephen Herzog  
Bruce Hopkins  
Kenneth A. Huddleston  
Jim Kersteiner  
William G. Knoebel  
Michael T. Lordi  
Amelia McCarty  
Malcolm A. Meyn  
Michael Murray  
Sherry L. Porter  
Linda R. Skuta  
Timothy N. Tepe  
David T. Wallace

**Class of 1990**

Natalie G. Bash  
John D. Bertram  
Richard P. Blandford  
Teresa A. Bolyard  
James C. Frooman  
Mark Gelbert  
Carl Grayson  
Benjamin R. Harter  
Thomas E. Heard  
Penny U. Hendy  
Angela A. Hornbeck  
Mark A. Humbert  
Kathleen S. Lape  
Bruce A. McGary  
David W. Molhem  
Elizabeth Murray  
Craig Peters  
Margaret M. Rolfes  
Lura C. Teass  
Michael A. Walters  
James G. Womack  
Mona Womack

**Class of 1991**

Robert Biersner  
Mary M. Cassidy  
Vicki L. Christian  
Marshall Dosker  
Michael P. Ferro  
John J. Garvey III  
Jacqueline M. Handorf  
Cathy M. Jackson  
Robert D. Lemmink  
Susan Cross Lipnickey  
Janet L. Oliver  
Lee Scheben  
Marilee Stephenson  
John W. Thacker  
Michelle Williams  
Jerry L. Wright

**Class of 1992**

Barbara Beimesch  
John Barry Coleman  
Kenneth L. Foltz  
Eric Goering  
Gerry Gressel  
Sheryl E. Heeter  
Ruth E. Homan  
David Johnson  
William L. Keene  
Kimberly J. King  
Patricia M. King  
Mathew R. Klein  
Robert G. Miller  
Dain T. Monroe  
Marianne Pressman  
Norton Roberts  
Susan E. Schneider  
Gregory Sizemore  
Candace J. Smith  
Karen L. Spegal

Timothy S. Stevens

**Class of 1993**

James S. Arnold  
John S. Cain  
Suzanne Cassidy  
John E. Christopher, Jr.  
David Earnshaw Crawford, Jr.  
Steven M. Crawford  
Paul Joseph Dickman  
Henrietta L. Goolsby  
Winston R. Griffin  
James G. Hodge, Jr.  
Thomas P. Jennings  
Michael S. Kearns  
Molly Michelle Knight  
Renee M. Kreisa  
Colleen Laux  
Maria Angela Longi  
Victoria Moore-Gray  
Kelly E. O'Keefe  
Stephen L. Richey  
Lori A. Schlarman  
Jeffrey Sherry  
Timothy E. Troendle  
Stephen M. Venard  
Andrew Wood

**Class of 1994**

Donna M. Bloemer  
Karen L. Bowie  
Kerry G. Clark  
Stephanie Dietz  
Craig Dilger  
Sarah Dilger  
William R. Erwin  
Stacey A. Fedasz  
Donald R. Freese  
Charles E. Johnson  
M. Denise Kuprionis  
John J. Mulvey  
Jeffrey T. Royer  
Ann G. Schoen  
Julia A. Stautberg  
Stephen E. Wharton  
Jon A. Woodall

**Class of 1995**

Joy M. Albi  
Amy J. Arnsperger-Hammerle  
A. Page Beetem  
Edward D. Bender  
Johnny O'Neal Bolton  
Troy Allen Borne  
Scott Robert Brown  
Pervis C. Burcham  
Nancy J. Burns  
Floyd Scott Cammack  
Glenn Denton  
Heather Denton  
William Deters  
James Dietz  
Maureen A. Fisher

Joy Evelyn Gazaway  
Angela Lauren Hayes  
Edward C. Lanter  
William Martin  
Charles Bronston McCord III  
Joseph P. Mehrle  
James Y. Myers  
Therese Paul  
Tracey Anne Puthoff  
Catherine D. Stavros  
Julie Ward  
Roger William Weseli

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Irene B. Allard  
Charlotte Barney  
Barbara A. Borgmann  
Kelli E. Brown  
Rebecca C. Brown  
Elizabeth A. Chandler-Lester  
W. E. Clore  
Debra Kay Crane  
Julie Dunham  
Julia A. Glazer  
Matthew Grownney  
Christian Russell Harris  
Walter A. Hawkins  
Paul T. Lawless  
David A. Meyer  
Jill P. Meyer  
Brendon D. Miller  
John Morgan  
Kerry Morgan  
Jeffrey Kenneth Neiheisel  
Kelleene A. Schoening  
Virginia J. Southgate  
Amy L. Tieman  
Scott D. Tranter  
Joan Walter  
D. Woodford Webb

**Class of 1997**

Christopher J. Arlinghaus  
William D. Baldwin  
Lawrence M. Bosley  
Marcus L. Collins  
Thomas and Margaret Collins  
Richard F. Grau  
James S. Kreutzer  
Bruce E. Kuegel  
John E. Lange IV  
Robert Morgan  
Christopher B. Oglesby  
Jeffery Paul  
Joseph M. Ruwe  
Melissa J. Whalen

**Class of 1998**

Douglas C. Amberger  
Stephen M. Bernat  
Brian Dunham  
William D. Engel  
Neal A. Frink

Virginia M. Gorley  
Patrick M. Hedrick  
J. M. Kenyon  
Kerrie K. Matre  
Lisa Moore  
Mark W. Reed  
David T. Reynolds  
Elizabeth Combs Risner  
Lori Rodgers  
Thomas E. Szurlinski  
Richard Paul Turner  
Robyn E. Williams  
Christie L. Wright  
Alan Q. Zaring

**Class of 1999**

Eliot G. Bastian  
Richard G. Beach  
Todd Biddle  
Larry H. Creach, Jr.  
Paige Leigh Ellerman  
Daniel Jones  
F. Christopher Meder  
Kimberley S. Naber  
Gwendolyn Nalls  
Timothy Rodgers  
Shane C. Sidebottom  
Bryan Underwood  
David E. Williamson

**Class of 2000**

Jacquelyn Biddle  
Brian T. Canupp  
David B. Denton  
Chelsea W. Doerger  
Michael A. Galasso  
James Gray  
Richard O. Hamilton  
Harland C. Hatter  
Patricia L. Johnson  
Perry Meadows  
Matthew E. Mills  
Theresa M. Mohan  
Stephanie M. Rusterholz  
Jan Shaw  
Charles L. Thiemann

**Class of 2001**

E. D. Baldrige  
Kerri N. Bruckner  
Melinda B. Buchanan  
Cynthia Clausen  
Jay J. D'Angelo  
Monica L. Dias  
Brian Ellerman  
H. Drewry Gores  
Ashley Gray  
Ellen M. Houston  
Tracy A. Izquierdo  
Brian R. Jansen  
Heather K. Jansen  
Robin R. McCraw  
Diane M. St. Onge

**Class of 2002**

Donna S. Denham  
Jerome J. Grogan  
Michael G. Hamersly  
Nancy H. Igel  
Margaret M. Maggio  
Jeffrey A. McCormick  
Jeremy M. Rettig  
Steven Sacks  
Julia E. Tarvin

**Class of 2003**

Matthew L. Benson  
James A. Browning  
Paula J. Dehan  
John Dunn  
Bradley W. Fox  
Catherine E. Howard  
Lisa C. Jones  
Tanner B. McFall  
Julie A. McGhghy  
Jennifer J. Perry  
Arrianna Sacks  
Lisa M. Wenzel '99, '03  
Joseph C. White  
Laura L. Whitmer

**Class of 2004**

Richard A. Brueggemann  
Elizabeth S. Dunn  
John B. Gardner  
Jay A. Jalovec  
Ginger A. Jansen  
Elaine K. Leonhard  
Michael J. Lubes  
Jason S. Morgan  
Sharon S. Parsley  
Telina D. Perkins  
Michael C. Rice

**Class of 2005**

Susanne M. Bookser  
Devon S. Calitri  
Michael J. Crow  
George E. Fee IV  
Krista Gieske  
R. S. Goff  
Jay H. Knight  
Justin Lawrence  
Amanda Mullins  
Wade Napier  
Amy M. Pugh  
Larisa Schneider  
Julie A. Schoepf  
Meridith Spille  
Tim Spille  
Robert Wilson  
Nicholas Zingarelli

**Class of 2006**

Angela T. Burns  
Lynne A. Daley

Heather E. Depremio  
David M. Evans  
R. D. Keller  
Katherine Knaak  
Jay Manire  
Amy E. Pennekamp  
David Spaulding  
Jonathan P. Wright

**Class of 2007**

James Aaron  
Robert Daye  
Robert Foy  
Jodie A. Ganote  
Elizabeth M. Griffith  
Anthony Handmaker  
Robert C. Hassman  
Timothy A. Mattingly  
Dana Thomas

**Class of 2008**

Margaret A. Ivie  
Candace S. Klein  
Kyle Murray  
James Owen  
Marisa Schroder  
Wil Schroder

**Class of 2009**

Gulgun Bukulmez-Yalkut  
Christopher Cole  
Zachary Corbin  
Rachel Corwin  
Jessica Crockett  
Andrea Ewan  
Ellen Fornash  
Karen Hartlage  
Lindsay Lawrence  
Danielle Lorenz  
William Lunceford  
Kate Morgan  
Brandon T. Murley  
Joseph Nava  
Vanessa Purdom  
Rhonda Schechter  
Devin Schenk  
Donna Schevene  
Rhonda Stanger  
Adam Stigall  
Adam Towe  
Robert Vonckx

## Class notes

### CLASS OF 1961

**ROBERT F. LAUFMAN** was honored with the John P. Kiely Professionalism Award at the Cincinnati Bar Association's annual meeting in May 2009. The award recognizes a trial lawyer for possessing outstanding trial skills and demonstrating the highest degree of professionalism, civility, and ethical standards in his daily practice. He is of counsel with Gerhardstein & Branch and a volunteer with the Ohio Justice & Policy Center.

### CLASS OF 1968

**MARTIN S. PINALES** has joined Strauss & Troy. He was formerly a partner with Sirkin, Pinales & Schwartz and is a former president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. He was recently awarded the NACDL's Robert C. Heeney Award for exemplifying the values and goals of the profession.

### CLASS OF 1975

**HOWARD SCHWARTZ** is now of counsel at Fligel & Papakirk L.L.C. He was formerly the managing partner of Sirkin, Pinales & Schwartz. His practice focuses on comprehensive estate planning, including wills and trusts, administering probate estates, and business law. He is the chair of the certified grievance committee of the Cincinnati Bar Association and is president of the Mayerson JCC.

### CLASS OF 1976

**DAVID B. SLOAN** of O'Hara, Ruberg, Taylor, Sloan & Sergent in Crestview Hills, Ky., has been appointed by Kentucky Governor Steve Beshear to the board of regents of Eastern Kentucky University. The term will last six years.

### CLASS OF 1977

**DANIEL P. RANDOLPH**, managing partner of Ritter & Randolph L.L.C., was elected to serve a second three-year term on the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra's board of directors. He also serves as chair of the CSO planned giving committee.

**JOHN A. SCHUH** of Schuh & Goldberg L.L.P. has been certified as a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, a group limited to attorneys who have won million- and multimillion-dollar verdicts, awards, and settlements. Schuh specializes in commercial insolvency litigation and workouts for banks, trustees and debtors, business reorganizations, and consumer bankruptcy cases.

### CLASS OF 1978

**ALAN J. HARTMAN** has been recently appointed to the dean's advisory board for Northern Kentucky University's College of Informatics. Hartman is partner-in-charge at the Cincinnati office of Dressman Benzinger LaVelle and head of the office's computer and information technology law practice group.

**WILLIAM H. HAWKINS II** has joined Baker Hostetler in its litigation group. A veteran trial lawyer, he has served as trial counsel in numerous complex national cases. He previously served as senior vice president, general counsel, and secretary of Convergys Corp. Before that, he was a partner and chair of the executive committee of Frost & Jacobs, now known as Frost Brown Todd.

### CLASS OF 1979

**DANIEL R. BRAUN** has been appointed as the city attorney for the City of Newport after serving as an assistant for the past

26 years. Braun continues to maintain his private practice in Covington focusing in the areas of bankruptcy, domestic, and general civil matters. He is a former assistant commonwealth's attorney for Kenton County.

**JOHN LUCAS** has been elected vice president, general counsel, and assistant secretary for The Union Central Life Insurance Co. Since joining the company in 1988, Lucas has held various positions, most recently as second vice president, associate general counsel, and assistant secretary.

**ERNEST McADAMS** was appointed deputy city solicitor for Cincinnati. He will continue to lead the prosecution division while assuming significant additional duties in the management of the law department.

**PATRICIA M. SUMME**, chief circuit judge for Kenton County, Ky., received an Outstanding Judge Award from the Kentucky Bar Association at its annual convention in June 2009. She was recognized for her excellent service on the bench and her tireless volunteer work in northern Kentucky.

### CLASS OF 1980

**CHARLES C. CAIN** has joined Sterbcow Law Group L.L.C. as of counsel. He is a former vice president of Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Co. He will concentrate his practice in real estate law and business planning with a focus in state and federal compliance.

**SUSAN J. COURT**, former director of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Office of Enforcement, has joined Hogan & Hartson L.L.P.'s Washington, D.C., office as partner in the energy practice group. She also previously served as FERC's deputy solicitor, agency ethics officer, and chief of staff. In 2008, she received the Presidential Rank Award for

Meritorious Executive Service, which honors high-performing senior career employees for sustained extraordinary accomplishment. She will focus her practice on FERC's existing enforcement program and the rapidly growing area of North American Electric Reliability Corporation compliance.

**ANTHONY W. FROHLICH**, chief circuit judge for Boone and Gallatin counties, was a speaker at the South Carolina bar convention in January 2010 at Kiawah Island, S.C. His topic was felony mediation, a program he developed that is now being used throughout Kentucky courts and various areas of the United States. The program has been featured in the American Bar Association *Dispute Resolution* magazine as well as numerous law journals and publications.

**BOB HOFFER**, partner at Dressman Benzinger LaVelle, was named one of the six leaders of distinction as part of the 30th anniversary of Leadership Northern Kentucky. As LNK class vice president and chair of his class project, he helped raise funds to construct a covered play area for the residents at Northern Kentucky Children's Home.

### CLASS OF 1981

**MICHAEL D. BOWLING** and his Lexington-based legal team formerly practicing as Johnson, Bowling & Lycan have joined the Steptoe & Johnson firm. He focuses his practice on a broad spectrum of government relations services. He served in the Kentucky House of Representatives from 1991 to 1998.

**KEVIN L. MURPHY** of Graydon Head & Ritchey was recognized by The Children's Law Center as one of the individuals who "Have Mattered Most" to the center over its 20-year history. The center's priorities include juvenile justice, child welfare, and education issues as well as

improving the quality of, and accessibility to, legal representation for children in Kentucky and Ohio.

### CLASS OF 1982

**TERESA A. DANIEL**, Ph.D., wrote *Stop Bullying at Work: Strategies and Tools for HR and Legal Professionals*, which highlights her research delineating the key differences between a bully and a tough boss. The book provides practitioner-oriented solutions designed to help both HR and legal professionals take proactive steps to deal with this problem within their organizations.

**ROBERT W. PEELER** was appointed as judge for the Warren County Court of Common Pleas. He practiced with the firm of Peeler, McGary, and Zopff, and served 25 years as a prosecuting attorney for Mason and Deerfield Township.

**JOHN P. TAFARO** was named Chatfield College's sixth president. He will operate the school, which has campuses in Brown County and in the Findlay Market area of Cincinnati. He has most recently been a partner in the Cincinnati law firm of Kohonen & Patton L.L.P., has done extensive consulting work with numerous businesses, and has served as CEO of many local companies.

### CLASS OF 1983

**TIMOTHY S. BLACK** was awarded the Themis Award at the Cincinnati Bar Association's annual meeting in May 2009. The award is the highest honor bestowed by the CBA for extraordinary service to law and the community. He plays a key role in promoting the BLAC-CBA Round Table and has been an integral part of the Cincinnati Academy of Leadership for Lawyers. He is also the founder and was the lead convener of the Hamilton County Domestic Violence Coordinating Council.

**EDWARD J. LORENZ**: The Williamstown, Ky., firm of Ackman Lorenz Gatlin and Gatlin has merged with the Cold Spring, Ky., firm of Steffan and Voelker to create Ackman Lorenz Gatlin & Voelker P.L.L.C. The firm has offices in both cities. The firm's areas of practice include civil litigation, insurance defense, criminal defense, personal injury, domestic, estate, bankruptcy, and workers compensation.

### CLASS OF 1985

**KAREN A. THOMAS**, Campbell County district judge and chief regional district judge, has been elected to a second term as president of the Kentucky District Judges Association. Thomas was elected to serve as president by her fellow judges at the District Judges College held in October 2009. Her role as president includes presiding over committee meetings, monitoring legislation affecting the courts, serving as spokesperson for the district judges, and presiding at judicial conferences held for district judges.

**A. CHRISTIAN WORRELL III**, a partner at Graydon Head & Ritchey, was named the Dorothy and Art Roth Citizen of the Year by the West Chester Chamber Alliance at its annual dinner and awards gala. Worrell was recognized for his efforts as chair of the Butler County United Way's fundraising campaign. Worrell serves as partner-in-charge of Graydon Head's Butler/Warren office and practices in the areas of general business, real estate, environmental, and construction law.

### CLASS OF 1986

**T. MARTIN JENNINGS** has joined the law firm of Goering & Goering in Cincinnati.

**JACK L. PORTER, JR.**, has retired as the Campbell County commonwealth's attorney. He has opened an office in Covington and

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is concentrating his practice in the areas of criminal defense, plaintiffs' personal injury, and domestic relations.

**PHILIP J. SCHWORER** of Frost Brown Todd has been elected to serve as the president of Leadership Cincinnati's alumni association. He is member of the environmental department of Frost Brown Todd and focuses his practice on representing businesses and industries in all aspects of environmental, health and safety, and toxic tort issues.

## CLASS OF 1987

**LEWIS D. KUHL** has joined Pathman Lewis L.L.P., a Miami, Fla.-based law firm. He concentrates his practice in the area of motor vehicle dealer and automotive industry law and the variety of issues impacting the industry. Before joining Pathman Lewis, he was in-house counsel for the JM&A Group in Deerfield Beach, Fla., and Huber's Inc./Triangle Automotive Group, L.L.C. in Louisville, Ky.

## CLASS OF 1989

**GILES T. HERTZ** has accepted a full-time teaching position at the University of Tampa. Hertz had been practicing law on a part-time basis and had been a full-time tenure-track faculty member in the Haile/U.S. Bank College of Business at NKU since 2001. During those years, Hertz received several awards including the NKU Alumni Association's 2008 Strongest Influence Award and the Sandy Easton Outstanding Faculty Member in the College of Business Award.

## CLASS OF 1990

**JEFFREY R. AYLOR** of Lape and Aylor P.S.C. was sworn in as president of the Northern Kentucky Bar Association at the NKBA's 25th anniversary 2009 Silver Bells Holiday Dinner

Dance. Aylor and the members of the 2010 board of directors were sworn in by Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Wil Schroder.

**R. FREDERICK KEITH** of Keith & Associates L.L.C. has relocated the firm to 715 Bakewell St. in Covington. The firm focuses its practice in the areas of tax, business, real estate, estate planning, and probate.

**MICHELLE M. KELLER**, Kentucky Court of Appeals judge, received the Donated Legal Services Award from the Kentucky Bar Association at its annual convention in June 2009. Keller, who serves as chair of the statewide committee on *pro se* litigants, was recognized for her efforts to promote the availability of legal services to all Kentuckians.

## CLASS OF 1991

**MARSHALL K. DOSKER**, a partner at Strauss & Troy, has been elected to the board of directors for the Cincinnati law firm. His areas of practice are tax and business law, real estate, and estate planning.

**CATHY M. JACKSON** received an Outstanding Lawyer Award from the Kentucky Bar Association at its annual convention in June 2009. She is senior counsel for Toyota Motor Engineering and Manufacturing North America, Inc. She was recognized for outstanding service to the legal community and sustained involvement in her community.

## CLASS OF 1993

**DAVID M. ANDREW** has joined Reminger Co. L.P.A. as a partner in the firm's Kentucky offices located in Ft. Mitchell, Louisville, and Lexington. With 15 years of legal experience, he will focus his legal practice on employment-related issues including EEOC, FMLA, ADA, wrongful termination, discrimination, and

workers' compensation. He is chair of the KBA's workers' compensation section.

**STEPHEN RICHEY** has been named leader of Thompson Hine L.L.P.'s labor and employment group. Richey joined the firm in 1995 and represents employers in significant class action lawsuits in federal court and in matters before the National Labor Relations Board, the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and the Ohio Civil Rights Commission.

**BERNICE L. WALKER** was elected one of nine section representatives to the 2009-10 board of governors of the National Bar Association. She will serve as chair of the small business law section and as an at-large member of the board's executive committee. She will also serve as the NBA president's chief of staff. She is the director of small business development for Hamilton County, Ohio.

## CLASS OF 1994

**MARY DENISE KUPRIONIS**, vice president, secretary, and chief ethics and compliance officer of the E.W. Scripps Co., has been named one of the members of the 2009 DirectWomen Board Institute, a program designed to identify and promote qualified women lawyers to serve on corporate boards of public companies.

**JOHN MARK WILLIAMS** of Delev Williams L.L.C. was selected to present a CLE seminar at the American Bar Association's annual meeting. The seminar examined the tripartite relationship between a liability insurer, the insured client, and the lawyer retained to represent the insured client.

**JOANNE WISSMAN GLASS** of Frost Brown Todd received the John W. Warrington Community Service Award at the Cincinnati Bar Association's annual meeting in May 2009.

The award recognizes a CBA attorney member who has performed extraordinary volunteer service to the community, such as her pro bono legal work for the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Greater Cincinnati, the Stepping Stones Foundation, and numerous other charitable organizations. In addition, she was the founding member of her firm's community opportunities committee.

## CLASS OF 1995

**MARK A. OGLE** has been elected secretary of the Kentucky chapter of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. He will serve in that position through the end of 2010.

**CATHERINE D. STAVROS** has been named partner of Adams, Stepner, Woltermann & Dusing. She practices in the areas of real estate and banking and is a member of the Salmon P. Chase Inn of Court. She is a past president of the Northern Kentucky Bar Association.

## CLASS OF 1996

**JILL P. MEYER** has been named member-in-charge of Frost Brown Todd's Cincinnati office. Meyer is responsible for client development initiatives, civic and charitable involvement, and community outreach in Cincinnati. She has been with the firm for 13 years and was instrumental in starting and then growing the firm's advertising practice. Meyer has also been appointed to the United States Senate Judicial Nominations Commission for the State of Ohio, Northern District.

**DENISE SMITH MOTTA** has joined Ferreri & Fogle P.L.L.C. She will practice from the firm's various offices in Louisville, Lexington, Erlanger, Bowling Green, and Huntington, W. Va. After more than 10 years of practice at a regional Ohio law firm, she will primarily

practice in the firm's civil litigation practice group. Motta has experience defending complex civil litigation claims, specifically in the product liability/pharmaceutical arena.

## CLASS OF 1998

**JENNIFER L. LANGEN** has been named partner at Adams, Stepner, Woltermann & Dusing. Langen practices in the areas of municipal law, civil rights defense, government tort liability, insurance defense, litigation, and appellate practice. She is also experienced in other areas of civil litigation and administrative law including workers' compensation, personal injury, employment law, and public housing issues.

## CLASS OF 1999

**PAIGE LEIGH ELLERMAN** has been named a partner at Taft Stettinius & Hollister L.L.P. She is a member of the firm's bankruptcy, business restructuring and creditor rights practice group, and is board certified in business bankruptcy law by the American Board of Certification. Her practice is primarily focused on business restructurings, workouts, and bankruptcies.

**SHANE C. SIDEBOTTOM** of Wolnitzek and Rowekamp in Covington was named one of seven members of the Kentucky Bar Association's Continuing Legal Education Commission. He will represent the Sixth Judicial District through June 2012.

## CLASS OF 2000

**RICHARD O. HAMILTON, Jr.**, has been named a partner at Robbins Kelly Patterson & Tucker. His practice focuses on litigation, arbitration, and mediation of construction, commercial, and consumer law issues. He also maintains a business practice where he advises clients

in contract negotiations, business planning, strategies, mergers, and acquisitions.

## CLASS OF 2001

**BRIAN M. ELLERMAN** has been named a partner at Adams, Stepner, Woltermann & Dusing. He practices in the areas of corporate structuring, commercial development, finance, and commercial banking.

**JENNIFER M. GATHERWRIGHT**, of Gatherwright Freeman & Associates P.S.C., has announced the opening of the firm's office at 333 Terry Ln. in Crescent Springs, Ky. The firm's practice will focus primarily in the areas of tax and business law.

**H. DREWRY GOES** has been named partner at Kohlen & Patton L.L.P. Goes practices in the firm's estate planning and administration group as well as the business law and transactions practice group where she draws on her own experience as a business owner to advise other small and start-up businesses.

**DIANE ST. ONGE** of Kummer & St. Onge P.L.L.C. has announced that the firm has opened its new office in Ft. Wright at 909 Wright's Summit Pkwy. in suite 200. The firm's areas of concentration include real estate, banking, small business, estate planning and administration, immigration, adoptions, and criminal law.

## CLASS OF 2002

**MARY BURNS**, trust counsel at Johnson Trust Co., was elected vice president of the board of directors of the Carnegie Visual and Performing Arts Center. The center is a multidisciplinary arts venue in Covington that provides events, educational programs, and art exhibitions to the northern Kentucky and Greater Cincinnati community.

## Class notes

**JAY R. VAUGHN** has been named partner at Busald Funk Zevely P.S.C. in Florence, Ky. His practice focuses primarily on personal injury and medical negligence. Vaughn is in his seventh term on the board of governors for the Kentucky Justice Association.

### CLASS OF 2003

**KATRINA ATKINS** of Dinsmore & Shohl was selected as a Rising Star by the YWCA of Greater Cincinnati's Academy of Career Women of Achievement. Atkins focuses her practice on product liability, health insurance litigation, and trust litigation.

**JOY L. HALL** has joined the law firm of Wood & Lamping L.L.P. She practices in the areas of civil and criminal tax litigation, U.S. tax and U.S. federal court litigation, tax controversies with the IRS, and other state and local tax issues. She also represents clients in business disputes and civil litigation.

**DARREN K. MEXIC** was presented with the *Pro Bono* Publico Award for his continued commitment to the mission of Lawyers Care and to *pro bono* services. He received the honor at the 2009 Law Day Ceremonies conducted by the Bowling Green/Warren County Bar Association. The award is presented to a member of the bar who made a significant contribution to the provision of donated legal services to low-income elderly or disabled individuals.

### CLASS OF 2004

**DEBORAH J. ZIMMERMAN** of Keith & Associates L.L.C. has relocated the firm to 715 Bakewell St. in Covington. The firm focuses its practice in the areas of tax, business, real estate, estate planning, and probate.

### CLASS OF 2005

**CARRIE FISCHESSE** of Dinsmore & Shohl was selected as a Rising Star by the YWCA of Greater Cincinnati's Academy of Career Women of Achievement. She is a member of her firm's labor and employment law department and the recruiting committee. Her practice covers all aspects of labor and employment litigation.

**M. RYAN KIRKHAM** has joined Graydon Head as an associate attorney. He practices in the areas of commercial lending, secured transactions, real estate, and corporate law. He represents numerous banking institutions in connection with the preparation and negotiation of loan documentation for commercial loans.

**BRENNAN L. K. PENROSE**, an attorney in the litigation group at Keating Muething & Klekamp P.L.L. and a member of the firm's green team, has been certified as a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional (LEED AP) in new construction by the U.S. Green Building Council. As a LEED AP, Penrose can advise real estate clients on the incentive-based and mandatory regulatory requirements pertaining to green building and can assist in evaluating and navigating the LEED certification process.

### CLASS OF 2006

**JAMES T. HART** has joined Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co. L.P.A. as an associate. Hart will be working in the legal action recovery department of the Cincinnati office. He is a member of the Salmon P. Chase Inn of Court.

**DEBORAH M. MCKINNEY** has been reappointed to chair the paralegal committee of the Ohio State Bar Association for 2009-10. She is a sole practitioner in Cheviot and chairs the

certification commission of the American Alliance of Paralegals, Inc.

### CLASS OF 2007

**DANIEL C. CHILTON** is an associate with Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co. L.P.A. He is working in the legal action recovery department of the Cincinnati office.

**TIMOTHY E. DAVIS** joined the Lexington law firm of Grascy & Gudalis P.S.C. in its practice of business and personal injury litigation, medical malpractice, employment litigation, and corporate transactions.

**JENNIFER T. LEONARD** has joined the downtown Cincinnati firm of Buechner Haffer Meyers & Koenig Co. L.P.A. as an associate. She is part of the firm's estate planning, probate, tax, and corporate practice group.

### CLASS OF 2008

**MICHAEL P. BARTLETT** has joined the firm of Taliaferro, Carran & Keys P.L.L.C. as an associate. His practice will include personal injury litigation, contracts, criminal law, family law, and real estate law.

**TRISTA PORTALES GOLDBERG** is an associate attorney with Beth I. Silverman and Sherri Goren Slovin. Goldberg practices all aspects of family law including collaborative law, divorce litigation, child custody matters, and juvenile law.

**CANDACE S. KLEIN** has joined Graydon Head's northern Kentucky office. Klein is dedicated to providing private sector, governmental, quasi-governmental entities, and public/private partnerships with comprehensive legislative, regulatory, economic development, tax, real estate, land use, and litigation services. She is a former lobbyist for the Northern Kentucky

Chamber of Commerce and the United Way of Greater Cincinnati.

**KATIE N. KOCH** has joined Dressman Benzinger LaVelle as an associate in the firm's computer and informatics technology practice group in Cincinnati. Her practice will focus in the areas of computer and information technology law, intellectual property, business and commercial transactions, and corporate taxation.

**JAMIE L. TURNER** has joined Ritter & Randolph L.L.C. Her practice will focus on probate, estate, and trust administration, estate and charitable planning, elder law, real estate law, and general litigation.

**MICHAEL B. WECKENBROCK** has joined the law department at The Union Central Life Insurance Co.

### CLASS OF 2009

**ERIC FOSTER** has joined the Cincinnati office of Dinsmore & Shohl. He practices in the intellectual property practice group and the litigation department and focuses his practice on patent prosecution and patent litigation.

## Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

**Congratulations to the following Chase alumni who were named 2010 Super Lawyers and Rising Stars for Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and Southern California and 2009 Super Lawyers for Kentucky, Massachusetts, the Mountain States, and West Virginia.**

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## In memoriam

**MAURICE A. NIEHAUS '41** passed away June 22, 2009. He was a captain in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers during World War II. After the war, he joined the law firm of Merland, O'Meara, Willging and Santen. He served in the Ohio Senate from 1950 to 1954. He served as a Hamilton County judge from 1958 to 1967 and as a Hamilton County Municipal Court judge from 1972 to 1979. He served as chief counsel for Franklin Savings & Loan until 2009. He was a member of the Kolping Society and the Knights of Columbus and was a founding member of St. Vincent Ferrer Church in Kenwood. In 2005, he established the Judge Maurice A. Niehaus Scholarship Fund at Chase College of Law. He is survived by his children, Richard Niehaus, Stephen Niehaus, Barron Niehaus and Beth Beringhaus; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

**BETTY F. SCHROTEL '49** passed away January 3, 2009. She was an attorney and a magistrate with the Hamilton County Juvenile Court. She was preceded in death by her late husband, Stanley R. Schrotel '50, former Cincinnati police chief and magistrate of the Hamilton Court of Common Pleas. She is survived by her children, Kim Schrotel, John Schrotel, and James Schrotel; seven grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

**ELMER J. REIS '51** passed away September 25, 2009. He joined the Cincinnati police division in 1941 as a patrol officer and rose to the position of assistant chief of police with the rank of lieutenant colonel. He organized the police division's community relations bureau and the crime prevention bureau. After leaving the Cincinnati police, he served as U.S. marshal and chief of security at U.S. Shoe Corporation. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II rising to rank of major, was decorated with numerous military awards, and retired from the U.S. Army Officers

Reserve Corps in 1973 with the rank of colonel. He was a long-time officer and director of the Chase College Foundation, and the foundation named a scholarship at Chase College of Law in his memory. He was also an active member of a numerous military, police, and fraternal organizations. He is survived by his wife, Esther, and daughter, Carol Reis.

**ROBERT K. CASTETTER '52** passed away August 2, 2009. He was the founding dean of San Diego's California Western School of Law. He became the dean of California Western in 1960 and guided the law school through a series of achievements, including accreditation by the American Bar Association in 1962, membership in the Association of American Law Schools in 1967, and the law school's separation from United States International University in 1975 to become one of the few free-standing law schools in the United States. Prior to becoming dean, he was a member of the faculty of San Diego State University where he served as one of the founding members of the faculty senate and chair of the Department of Finance. He was a U.S. Army World War II veteran. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie; four children, Bruce Castetter, Deborah Keller, Roy Robert Castetter, and Victoria Ellencamp; and three grandchildren.

**JAMES H. VAN MATRE '52**, passed away May 27, 2009. He had a private law practice in the Carew Tower in Cincinnati. He served in the U.S. Army Third Infantry Division in World War II and was awarded the Bronze Star. His wife, Constance Wambolt Van Matre, preceded him in death in 2000. He is survived by his son, Rick Van Matre, and grandchildren, Amalia and Tytus.

**PETER T. MARINO '53** passed away December 10, 2009. He was well known in the community as a builder, realtor, lawyer, and member of the GOP board. He was a U.S.

Navy World War II veteran. He is survived by his wife, Helen Mae; his children, Susan Piechocki, Sharon Marino, Gail Rolfes, Peter Marino, Donna Giuliani, Cindy Kestler, Joanne Dunlap, and Nancy Greve; 18 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**LOUIS G. FEY '56** passed away August 24, 2009. He was retired, having formerly practiced with the firm previously known as Kohlen, Patton & Hunt. He was a lifetime member of the Clifton United Methodist Church. He was a veteran. He was the husband of the late Elizabeth Meyer Fey and Arlene Thompson Fey. He is survived by his children, Judy Barnett, Betty Sanders, Terri Smith, and Louis G. Fey, Jr.; 11 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**ARTHUR T. KNABE SR. '57**, passed away May 10, 2009. He was a partner in the law firm of McIntosh, McIntosh, and Knabe; then Mack, McKay, and Knabe; and finally Trenz McKay and Knabe. He also served more than 30 years as a member of the Hamilton County Zoning Board. In 2005, he was honored by the Ohio State Bar Association for 50 years of service as an attorney. He was an active member of Grace Lutheran Church, a long-time member of the Western Hills Optimist Club, and a baseball and basketball coach for many years. He was a U.S. Army Korean War veteran. He is survived by his wife, Peggy; his children, Arthur (Tom) Thompkins Knabe Jr., Bruce D. Knabe, Jenny L. Gebhardt, and Sally A. Bender; and 10 grandchildren.

**ROBERT B. WEIDNER '73** passed away May 4, 2009. He was a civil and environmental engineer and an attorney. He was a lifetime member of the Archbishop Purcell Council Knights of Columbus, a 50-year member of the Cheviot Fire Association, and member of the St. Jude church choir. He was a U.S. Coast Guard veteran. He is survived by his

wife, Mary Ann; children, Julie McDonald, Bob Weidner, Steve Weidner, Tom Weidner, Mark Weidner, Rick Weidner, and Andy Weidner; grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

**FRANCIS J. FISHER, JR. '75**, passed away August 2, 2009. His 40-year career in trust banking began and ended with Fifth Third Bank and included time with Provident Bank and Kentucky National Bank. He retired in 2009 as a vice president and senior trust officer with Fifth Third Bank. He was admitted to the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court and was an active member of local and national bar and banking associations. He was a board member of many local charitable organizations, an avid historian, and a member of the Cincinnati Civil War Roundtable. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy with the rank of lieutenant. He is survived by his wife, Mary; children, Cede Gerdenich, Jane Francis, George Fisher, John Fisher, and Catherine Bradley; and nine grandchildren.

**HOWARD B. HODGE '75** passed away May 24, 2009. He retired from the City of Covington where he served as the director of the Covington housing development department. He was an attorney, a member of the Mother of God Catholic Church in Covington, and a third-degree Knight of Columbus. He is survived by his wife, Susan.

**FERDINAND H. KLEINHAUS '75** passed away January 23, 2009. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte; his children Nicholas and Theresa; and a grandchild.

**GEORGE L. SCHILLING, JR. '51** passed away February 19, 2009. His legal career included two terms as Clinton County, Ohio, prosecutor and more than 30 years as a private practice attorney. He was an active member of the Cape May Singers and the Wilmington College Community Choir, often performing

solos. He was a past president of the Clinton County Bar Association and served three terms as president of the Kiwanis Club. He also belonged to the Masonic Temple and the Wilmington Elks Club. He is survived by his wife, Helen; children Doyle Schilling, Brian Schilling, and Ann Wasser; two grandsons; and three great-grandsons.

**ARTHUR J. SCHUH '52** passed away April 20, 2009. He practiced law for more than 45 years with the law firm of Schuh & Goldberg. He represented banks and finance companies and served as trustee in thousands of cases in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. He served on the Cincinnati Zoo board and was active in the Democratic Party. He was a leader of the Chase Founders Club, one of the law school's first development efforts. He served as chair of Chase College of Law's inaugural fund drive, contributed to Chase's merger with NKU, and was honored with the law school's annual service award. He was a World War II U.S. Navy veteran. He is survived by his wife, Patricia; children Leslie Byrnes, John Schuh, Steve Schuh, Paul Schuh, and Joe Schuh; 16 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

**JAMES J. HEATH '88** passed away May 24, 2009. He went into private practice with his father after law school and was appointed by the governor as a Warren County court judge in 1994. He was then elected to the Warren County Court of Common Pleas where he served until his death. He was a board member and volunteer for numerous bar and judicial associations and organizations. He was a passionate advocate and voice for victims of domestic violence throughout Ohio and the nation. He was an active parishioner of St. Margaret of York Catholic Church. He is survived by his wife, Bethany, and his children, Emily Ann Heath, Joseph Porter Heath, and Andrew James Heath.

**NICHOLAS W. FERRIGNO '95** passed away September 28, 2009. He was a member and chair of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act controversy team of the law firm of Greenebaum, Doll & McDonald P.L.L.C. He was known for his particular expertise in ERISA fiduciary and compliance matters having previously served with the U.S. Department of Labor's Employee Benefits Security Administration. He was named a Cincinnati Leading Lawyer by *Cincy* magazine, was a past recipient of the Cincinnati Business Courier's "Forty Under 40" award, and was the founder and past president of the American Society of Pension Professionals and Actuaries Benefits Council of Greater Cincinnati. He was a past member of the Chase Alumni Association board of governors. He also was an Eagle Scout and an active volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America. He is survived by his wife, Rhonda, and his daughters, Brittany and Alexis.





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