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News from the Notre Dame Law School

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EDITOR

NDLS UPDATE BEING SENT TO YOUNG ALUMS

As a result of the generous gift of the law firm of Simpson & Zelenock, P.C., of Birmingham, Michigan, the NDLS UPDATE will be sent this year to all NDLS alumni who graduated within the last five years. Previously, in addition to faculty, staff, and the University Board of Trustees, only members of the St. Thomas More Society received the newsletter, published monthly during the academic year. The UPDATE, with this issue, begins its sixth year of publication.

We express deep thanks to Simpson & Zelenock, and especially to Kathy Zelenock, NDLS '91, for making the distribution possible.

NDLS STUDENT KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

Doug Streitz, who would have entered his third year at the Law School this fall, was killed in an airplane crash on June 13. He was one of three persons killed in the crash of a single-engine Beechcraft Bonanza V35 in Gloucester County, New Jersey. Doug was a resident of Clayton, New Jersey. He had been working this summer as a law clerk for Pepper, Hamilton & Sheetz in Philadelphia.

The funeral, a joint service for Doug and his cousin Joseph R. Sorelle, who also died in the crash, took place at St. Brigid's Church in Glassboro, New Jersey. Father John Pearson represented the Law School at the funeral services. The family asked that memorial contributions be sent to St. Brigid's Catholic School at West High Street, Glassboro, New Jersey 08028. The thoughts and prayers of the entire Notre Dame community are with the Streitz family.

WILLIAM ROEMER, PROMINENT NDLS ALUM, DIES

William Roemer, Jr., NDLS '50, a prominent FBI agent and author who spent thirty years fighting organized crime, died in June. His FBI exploits led to his authoring books, both fiction and non-fiction, including biographies of Chicago organized-crime figures and his 1989 autobiography, "Roemer--Man Against The Mob." Part of the autobiography, dealing with organized-crime figure Sam Giancana and his mistress Phyllis McGuire, became a 1995 made-for-cable movie. (Bill himself appeared in a minor role in the film--a professional played his part.)

Bill did his undergraduate work, as well, at Notre Dame. While on campus, he became the first four-time champion in the Bengal Bouts.

Bill's family has been heavily represented at Notre Dame. His father served as a professor of Philosophy and his brother, Jim, currently works as Director of Community Relations and as adjunct associate professor in the Law School. Many other Roemers attended the undergraduate school and the Law School.

Bill leaves his wife, Jeanne; two sons, William F., III, and Robert; four grandsons; four brothers; and a sister.

ALUM JOE CARI APPOINTED VICE CHAIR OF WOODROW WILSON BOARD

President Bill Clinton has appointed Joseph A. Cari, Jr., NDLS '78 and a partner at Coffield, Ungaretti & Harris, in Chicago, the Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees of

the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. Mr. Cari was first appointed to the Board by the President in 1995.

The Center fosters scholarship and dialogue in the humanities, business, and social sciences by bringing fellows to Washington, D.C. encouraging discourse, and publishing the results of their activities. The Center, established within the Smithsonian Institute, responds to an independent eleven-member board of trustees composed of a small group of U.S. Government officials and private citizens appointed by the President.

Described by *Chicago Magazine* as one of 1994's "power lawyers," Joe serves on many boards, including that of the Chicago Urban League and the Chicago Committee of the Chicago Council on Foreign Relations. In 1989, Mayor Richard M. Daley appointed Joe to the Chicago Public Library Board of Directors, under which he chairs the facilities committee.

NDLS ALUM PROMINENT IN CHINA PRACTICE

An alumnus of the Law School figures prominently in the China Practice Group of Altheimer & Gray, the first U.S. law firm in over a year to receive a law license to practice in China. Ed McNally, NDLS '82, is a former speechwriter for President George Bush. Ed first went to China in 1982, returning there in 1985 as a Henry Luce Scholar and one of China's youngest law professors. Ed returned to China earlier this year with President Bush.

NDLS HOSTS RECEPTION AT ABA MEETING

On August 4, the Law School hosted a reception in connection with the annual meeting of the American Bar Association, held this year in Orlando, Florida. Co-hosted by the Notre Dame Law Association, the event took place at Disney's Grand Floridian. Dean Link spoke to the group.

LAW LIBRARY ADDS 400,000th VOLUME

Late this summer, the Kresge Library celebrated a major achievement in its history with the addition of the 400,000th volume to its collection. In the last ten years, the library collection has grown from 169,000 volumes to its current noteworthy level. This constitutes significant movement toward becoming a first-level research library.

Nonetheless, as Library Director Roger Jacobs pointed out, "We have a significant gap to close before we can provide the level of support required of a first-rate research institution." The Library hosted an afternoon party to mark this important milestone in its progress.

OTHER NEWS FROM THE LAW LIBRARY

During the summer, the library staff undertook several projects to reorganize the collection in light of a diminishing availability of space for people and materials. A new office has been constructed in the main reading room for an additional research librarian and a major shift was

necessary to accommodate the books thus displaced.

The library's biggest undertaking this summer involved the introduction of LINK (Legal Information Key). LINK, our new on-line catalog and automated circulation system, will contain records, information on holdings, and the circulation status for titles held in the law library. During the summer, the staff created instructional materials for the use of LINK.

ABA President Lee Cooper has appointed Roger Jacobs as a member of the Standing Committee on the Law Library of Congress for a three-year term. President Cooper called the work of this committee "an important part of the Association's service to the profession, the administration of justice, and the public."

Roger participated in the meeting of the Council of the ABA Section on Legal Education, in Portland, Maine, from June 8 through 11. Roger hosted a meeting of the Chicago Area Law Library Directors on June 18. On June 20, he chaired a day-long meeting of the Library Committee of the ABA Section on Legal Education, in Indianapolis.

In July, Roger and Joe Rosenfeld participated in a panel discussion of the interaction between information managers and library directors. The discussion took place at the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Law Libraries. At that meeting, Roger, as co-chair of the ABA Section on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, directed a discussion among academic library directors on developments in the library data-gathering for sabbatical

site evaluations. And as if that were not enough, Roger participated in the June and August meetings of the Council of the Section on Legal Education. Finally, Roger and his wife Alice bade their daughter Sarah "bon voyage" as she headed off to Notre Dame's program in Innsbruck, Austria, for the coming year.

Janis Johnston co-directed a three-day institute on basic cataloging for the American Association of Law Libraries, hosted by Notre Dame. Approximately sixty law catalogers attended the mid-July institute. Janis and her co-director, Marie Whited, from Yale, assembled a faculty from Stanford, Cornell, Penn, the Library of Congress and Notre Dame (our own Joe Thomas).

At the AALL annual meeting, Janis chaired a discussion of the Special Committee to Promote the Development of Resources for the Legal Information Community. Janis has also been asked to serve as a consultant to the Northwestern Law Library on staff organization and technical-services planning.

At the AALL Annual Meeting in Indianapolis this summer, Dwight King, Carmela Kinslow, Joe Thomas and Patti Ogden formed part of the Notre Dame crew producing a daily newspaper for Meeting participants. In addition to chairing the newspaper committee, Patti Ogden attended another AALL summer institute, "Contemporary Practice of Public International Law," in Bloomington, Indiana.

Patti Ogden has just become a homeowner. Congratulations! (We think).

From June 14 through 22, Lucy Payne attended a collegium entitled "Summer Institute on Faith and Intellectual Life."

During July, she welcomed her mother, who moved to Berrien Springs to live with Lucy and Lucy's daughter, Joni.

During the Computer Assisted Legal Information (CALI) Conference in Chicago, Joe Rosenfeld spoke at two separate programs.

At the AALL annual meeting, Joe Thomas spoke on Serials in the Electronic Environment. He also participated as a faculty member in a pre-meeting institute on basic cataloging.

On June 17 Sue Wiegand joined the Access Services Department, filling the position vacated by Priscilla Stultz. Sue garnered extensive law-library experience in various capacities over the last nine years at the Valparaiso University Law Library. Sue will continue to pursue her Masters of Library Science at Indiana University at South Bend. Welcome!

Anita Lutz, for several years a staff member in technical services, has recently been promoted to fill a new position as Serials/Acquisitions Coordinator. In this position, Anita will coordinate ordering, continuation, receipt and collection-updating tasks for all library materials. She will also assume responsibility as systems manager for the library information system, LINK.

Anita came to NDLS with a background in computer science and several years' experience at the law library of the University of Southern California. Her husband, Mark, is a candidate for a Ph. D. in Psychology.

NEWS FROM THE FACULTY

Joe Bauer's father, Alex, died June 18. The family asked that memorial contributions be made to Temple Beth-El in South Bend. Our condolences go to Joe and the rest of the family.

Tex Dutile published "Law, Governance, and Academic and Disciplinary Decisions in Australian Universities: An American Perspective," in the ARIZONA JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW.

In June, Tex was elected to the Provost's Advisory Committee. He will serve the remainder of Carol Mooney's term on that Committee.

Jimmy Gurulé's grandmother, Francis Gonzales, passed away on August 19th in Salt Lake City, Utah, at the age of 78.

On July 18, Jimmy participated in a meeting of the U.S. Senate's Subcommittee on Children and Families. The Subcommittee is part of the Senate's Labor and Human Resources Committee.

Cathy Kaveny co-authored, with John P. Langan, "The Doctor's Call," an "op-ed" piece in the July 15, 1996, edition of THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Doug Kmiec authored an "op-ed" piece, entitled "Irrationality Prevails in Gay Rights Ruling," in the May 22 issue of THE LOS ANGELES TIMES.

Doug now appears as a regular columnist in THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE. His column alternates on Mondays with those of three others: Laura Washington, Editor and Publisher of THE CHICAGO REPORTER; Thomas Roeser, businessman and public-affairs commentator; and Phil Ponce, a reporter for Channel 11, WTTW, in Chicago.

Sabrina McCarthy, formerly an Associate Professor at NDLS, has joined the Knoxville Legal Aid Society as a family-law lawyer.

Gabriel Moens co-edited, with Suri Ratnapala, *THE JURISPRUDENCE OF LIBERTY*, published by Butterworths. Doug Kmiec and Igor Grazin of Notre Dame contributed to the book. Gabriel, who was in residence at Notre Dame during the Spring of 1991, won an award at Brigham Young University for excellence in teaching and research this past spring. Only four such awards are given out for the whole university.

Roger Paul Peters, who taught at the Notre Dame Law School from 1950 through 1970, died recently. Anyone wishing to contact the family should write to his son, Edward Peters, at: 3002 Eleventh Avenue, West Seattle, Washington 98119.

Judge Kenneth F. Ripple has been named to the Members Consultative Group of the American Law Institute's project on the Federal Judicial Code.

Jim Seckinger has been designated a Master Member of the Council Oak Inn of Court, South Bend, which is a Chapter of the American Inns of Court. The Inns of Court promote and enhance, through educational programs and collegial sharing of experience, the art and skill of the professional, ethical, and civil advocate in our nation's courts. Each Chapter comprises practicing lawyers of varying levels of experience, judges, law students, and one

academic lawyer.

Jim was formerly inducted as an Academic Fellow of the International Society of Barristers at its annual meeting in Maui, Hawaii, in February.

Jim participated in a series of trial-advocacy programs, both as Program Director and as faculty member: in Toronto (January 25-27); in New York (February 1-2, 8-10; April 11-13, 26-28; May 1-3; and June 6-8); in St. Charles, Illinois (March 14-15); at the Harvard Law School (March 22-24); in Chicago (March 28-30; May 31-June 1); in Cincinnati (May 14-16); and in Vancouver (June 13-15).

On August 3, in Orlando, Florida, Jim received the Francis Rawle Award (see NDLS UPDATE for May, 1996), established in 1983 to recognize outstanding contributions to the continuing education of the legal profession. Jim was the featured speaker on "Impeachment and Rehabilitation" at the Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop, Osgoode Hall Law School, in North York, Ontario, on July 9.

Tom Shaffer published "On Teaching Legal Ethics in the Law Office," in the *NOTRE DAME LAW REVIEW*.

Pete Thornton, who taught at the Law School for many years, underwent triple-bypass surgery August 20. The surgery went well. Pete is recovering at his home at 4735 A Eighth Street, Carpinteria, California 93103. Please keep Pete and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Geoff Walker, Dean of the Law School at the University of Queensland and a visiting scholar at NDLS in 1991-92, has announced his retirement, effective December 31, 1996. Upon his retirement, Geoff and his wife, Patricia, will move to Sydney.

NEWS FROM THE STAFF

Mary Cowser's sister-in-law, Junette Pryer, died on June 3. Please keep Mary's family in your thoughts and prayers.

Deb Fox's brother-in-law, Frank Zyto, passed away suddenly on July 2. Our sympathy and prayers are with Deb and her family.

Marlou Hall has accepted a position with Carol Mooney in the Office of the Provost. She has been a member of the Law School community and a valued friend for more than seventeen years, and she will be greatly missed in the Law School. We wish her well in her new endeavors.

On August 13, Donna Troyer, sister of Linda Harrington, underwent triple-bypass heart surgery at South Bend Memorial Hospital. Please keep them and the rest of the family in your prayers.

With gratitude we extend best wishes to Marcia Towne upon her retirement from the Law School Admissions Office. Marcia gave seventeen years of dedication and loyalty to the Law School community. Her expertise guided the office through many major transitions, including the transfer to an on-line computer system. She will be happily pursuing her secondary profession at Old Towne Antiques and Collectibles in the Unique Antique Mall on U.S. 31/33. Stop by and browse! You may find just what you need!

Rita Nogowski, sister of Ken Kinslow, died July 21 after a lengthy illness. Funeral services were held on July 25 at St. John Bosco, in Hatboro, Pennsylvania. Please keep Ken, Carmela and the entire family in your thoughts and prayers.

NEWS FROM THE ALUMNI

James C. Aranda, NDLS '71 and owner-shareholder of Stebleton, Aranda & Snider in Lancaster, Ohio, has successfully argued, on behalf of the birth mother, the case of *In Re Zschach* before the Ohio Supreme Court. Responsible for the firm's probate and adoption practice, he successfully argued, in 1991, *In Re Ridenour*, which established in Ohio the legal principle that visitation with biological parents and those claiming through them is not permitted following an adoption decree.

Jane E. Barker, NDLS '84, authored a piece, entitled "Sunday Evenings More Enjoyable as a Trial Judge," in THE INDIANA LAWYER on May 15. Jane is Master Commissioner of Marion Superior Court, Criminal Division 4. She formerly was in private practice and a deputy prosecutor of Marion and Monroe counties.

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Thomas E. Brennan, NDLS '79, has relocated his law office to 7800 West 95th Street, Suite 401, Hickory Hills, Illinois 60457. Telephone: (708) 599-9933.

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James J. Ciapciak, NDLS '88, who practices with Campbell & Associates in Boston, has been elected president of the Notre Dame Alumni Club of Boston. Ciapciak has served on the board of directors of the Club for nine years. Jim did his undergraduate work at Stonehill College.

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Tim Doney, NDLS '85 and formerly of Arter & Hadden, in Columbus, Ohio, has joined the Cleveland-based firm of Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff. Tim earned his B.S. at the University of Michigan and his M.B.A. at the University of Notre Dame. His corporate practice will include counseling businesses in acquisitions, securities, financing, new-business ventures, and regulatory compliance.

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Richard Goehler, NDLS '82 and a partner at Frost & Jacobs in Cincinnati, has been called one of the "Tri-States' Up-and-Coming Business Leaders" in an article in the CINCINNATI BUSINESS COURIER. Concentrating in media law, Dick was recently retained by BUSINESS WEEK as local counsel in a high-profile First Amendment case involving Procter & Gamble and Bankers Trust. Dick serves on his firm's partner-compensation committee and chairs the Ohio State Bar Association's media-law committee. He did his undergraduate work at Miami of Ohio.

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Kevin Green, NDLS '95, has been selected for a two-year clerkship with Justice Ted Boehm, newly appointed to the Indiana Supreme Court.

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Gary Hall, NDLS '96, married Elna Moore on August 10 in Chicago.

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Daniel W. Hammer, NDLS '59, has become Managing Partner of Thompson, Hine & Flory in Cleveland. Mr. Hammer served as a law clerk to former U.S. District Judge James C. Connel after graduation from NDLS. He has been at the law firm for thirty-five years and has served on its seven-member management committee since 1984. He also helps run a family-owned wine distributor, the Hammer Company, while still finding time for a wide variety of community and civic activities.

Homer L. Harris, NDLS '75 and a partner at Wood, Williams, Rafalsky & Harris, in Newark, featured prominently in an article entitled, "Minority Firm Battles As Political Tides Shift," in the June 24 edition of THE NATIONAL LAW JOURNAL.

Peter L. Iannini, NDLS '75, has been appointed assistant director for title insurance at Monroe Title, a title-insurance and abstract company located in Rochester, New York. Peter did his undergraduate work, as well, at Notre Dame.

Paul Knapp, NDLS '82 and a partner at Bingham, Summers, Welsh & Spilman in Indianapolis, has been named President of Young & Laramore Advertising. Knapp will remain "of counsel" to Bingham, Summers.

Kathleen G. O'Reilly, NDLS '76, has joined the Cheshire (New Hampshire) County Attorney's Office. She began her work in the three-lawyer office on August 12. Kathleen served fourteen years as judge advocate general in the United States Air Force. She joined the New Hampshire bar in 1993 and began work in Keene, New Hampshire, in 1994. Her practice focused on family and criminal law. A graduate of the college of St. Elizabeth in 1973, Kathleen garnered another law degree in 1993, this time from Washington University.

Robert M. Parker, NDLS '52, was featured in an article entitled, "Retired Attorney Reflects on Five Decades of Service," in the May 15 issue of THE INDIANA LAWYER. Prior to law school, Robert enlisted in the U.S. Army and served as a sergeant in the medical corps. Following graduation, he joined his father in the practice of law. After his father's death, Robert practiced "solo" until 1985, when Parker, Brunner, Hamilton & Hartzer was formed. In 1987, Parker, Jaicomo was formed, which eventually merged with Baker & Daniels in 1990. With retirement looming, Mr. Parker remained "of counsel" for a year to help oversee the transition. His practice generally was devoted to estates, real-estate tax and business practice. In 1975, he was elected secretary-treasurer of the St. Joseph County Bar Association. He also has served as deputy city attorney and chief-deputy city attorney.

Daniel Sherman, NDLS '88, announces the formation of a new legal partnership, Reardon & Sherman in Chicago. The firm provides insurance-coverage, litigation-management, reinsurance and alternative-dispute-resolution services. Members of the firm also directly represent parties in insurance declaratory judgments and bad-faith actions, as well as tort and general commercial litigation. Daniel was formerly Corporation Counsel for the City of Chicago.

John K. Vincent, NDLS '79, was featured in an article entitled, "[Operation] Rezone is their passion; prosecutors are recognized as powerful, smart, and hard-working," in the June 16 edition of THE FRESNO BEE. John, who also did his undergraduate work at Notre Dame, joined the U.S. Attorney's Office in Fresno in 1986. He has been with the Sacramento U.S. Attorney's Office since 1989.

David J. White, formerly of Proenza, White, Huck & Roberts in Miami, has become a partner at the West Palm Beach Office of Holland & Knight. His litigation practice will emphasize personal-injury and commercial litigation.

Stephen P. Wink, NDLS '91, has become General Counsel of First Albany Corporation, a regional investment bank in Albany, New York.

On June 30, John J. Witous, NDLS '50, addressed the Annual Conference of the United States Naval Supply Group. The event took place at Notre Dame's Washington Hall. Mr. Witous did his undergraduate work, as well, at Notre Dame.

MISCELLANY

A prominent British newspaper recently touted the National Institute for Trial Advocacy. In THE SCOTSMAN for July 8, 1996, in an article entitled, "Honing Skills for the Courtroom," John Sturrock states: "The United States has led the world in advocacy training and (the Scottish Faculty of Advocates) has built up an excellent relationship with the top American teachers in the National Institute for Trial Advocacy."

Incoming student Timothy M. Bliss has won the \$3,500 Thomas F. Black, Jr., Memorial Scholarship, awarded annually by the Rhode Island Bar Foundation.

The Graciela Olivarez LaRaza Award, named for the first female graduate at NDLS and the highest-ranking Hispanic woman in the administration of President Jimmy Carter, has been awarded posthumously to Alex Mercure for his efforts to provide a better life for Hispanics in New Mexico and the United States.

R.I.P.

Edward Schmelzer, a confirmed member of the class entering NDLS this fall, died during the summer. Condolences may be sent to his widow, Mrs. Edward Schmelzer, 4042 Hubbell Avenue, Apartment 192, Des Moines, Iowa 50317.