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Celebrating
Many Milestones

Cardozo is now 30 years old—not a very long time in the history of American legal education. Since our pioneering students took their first class, Cardozo has developed into an excellent law school that offers an outstanding education, supports important scholarly activities, takes pride in its robust public service program, and sponsors dynamic law and public affairs programs. No one present at its creation would have had the audacity to imagine the Cardozo of today, and I have little doubt that the same will be said of our current efforts 30 years from now.

On March 7, we cut the ribbon on the Kathy and Alan Greenberg Center for Student Life. The evening, which was festive, celebratory, and a fitting moment to commemorate Cardozo’s anniversary, consummated a multiyear effort to renovate every square foot of the Law School. The result is—as many have said—that Cardozo now has some of the best facilities of any law school in New York.

Now, we are spending time on some global initiatives. I recently signed an agreement with the Commissioner of the Chinese State Intellectual Property Office that provides for Cardozo professors to teach an introduction to American law this summer to Chinese attorneys in Beijing. Then, for the fall semester, about a dozen Chinese lawyers will be on campus studying intellectual property. These programs offer expansive possibilities for our faculty to learn about China and for Chinese lawyers to enrich the educational experience for us all.

Other new international programs brought our students this year to Japan and China for short courses between semesters. And, plans are developing for programs next year that will take place in Israel, Rwanda and Tanzania, and India.

Last, our Innocence Project recently celebrated the release of the 200th exoneree. The Law School takes enormous pride in the Project’s nationally important work and congratulates Prof. Barry Scheck and Peter Neufeld, its codirectors, and the entire staff for securing justice for each wrongfully convicted defendant and for leading a national effort that is reforming the criminal justice system.

With kind regards,

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DAVID RUDENSTINE
DEAN
Second Circuit Engages Faculty in Discussion of Law Review Articles

In what was called an “unprecedented” event, seven judges of the US Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and virtually the entire Cardozo faculty engaged in a far-reaching and good-spirited discussion in March of the usefulness, or lack thereof, of law review articles for judicial decisions.

Fueling the conversation was a study prepared by Cardozo Law Review staffers examining citations since the 1960s of five prestigious law reviews. The findings show that courts cite law review articles less today than in the ’70s and ’80s, content is more theoretical than practical, and there is an increase in citations to specialty journals.

Chief Judge Dennis Jacobs only confirmed the trend when he began by saying, “I haven’t opened a law review in years.” His remarks, which followed a humorous introduction by Dean David Rudenstine, kicked off the lively exchange before an audience of students and invited guests.

Looking professorial in a tweed jacket, Judge Barrington D. Parker offered one explanation for the decline in practical content, noting that today there are fewer jobs at universities for those graduating with degrees in philosophy and comparative literature. Therefore, he said, many talented students are going to law school to explore the engagement of ideas. “They bring wonderful gifts and a range of interests to law schools.”

Judge Robert A. Katzmann said that academia has become so specialized that articles are useful in explicating an area and giving him background but not for citation in a decision.

Perhaps the bluntest comments came from Judge Sonia Sotomayer, who asked, “So what? If we are not your audience, why would you care if we use the articles?” She went on to say that she occasionally uses law journals but only when “other circuit courts don’t have anything on the issue.”

Judge Reena Raggi asked the faculty to “make ... us your audience,” adding, “there is a real place for academe to help us understand how the law develops and makes for a better society.”

Seeming to disagree with her colleague, Judge Rosemary S. Pooler said, “A great amount of our case work is traditional and doesn’t need new thinking.”

The Cardozo faculty was polite as they began responding. Chuck Yablon asked, “What can we add? What value can we add?” To which Judge Robert D. Sack quickly answered, “Case notes, repercussions of a decision.”
 Protecting Journalists Is Topic of Tony Lewis Talk

"We have to protect journalists when they are doing their work of keeping the country honest," said Tony Lewis, a two-time Pulitzer Prize winner and former columnist for The New York Times, at Are Journalists Privileged?, held in March. Lewis was joined by Max Frankel, former executive editor of The New York Times and also a Pulitzer Prize winner, and Victor Kovner, a nationally prominent media and press lawyer with Davis Wright Tremaine LLP. During the fall semester, Frankel was an adjunct professor, co-teaching with Dean David Rudenstine a seminar entitled The Law, The Ethics, and The Politics of Press Freedoms.

All three panelists were sympathetic to the need for reporters to be able to keep the identity of their sources secret. Acknowledging that this journalistic privilege comes at a price, they agreed that the public interest in effective reporting outweighs those harms. If journalists cannot guarantee to confidential sources that their identity will remain a secret, then crucial sources of information will disappear. Of the three, Lewis was most open to allowing courts to determine the scope of the privilege and determine on a case-by-case basis whether it applies; he did not believe there could be a bright

line rule. Frankel, in contrast, expressed very little faith in the judiciary to make these individualized judgments; he advocated essentially an absolute privilege under which prosecutors and judges would just keep their hands off journalists. Kovner offered a careful overview of the current state of the journalist's privilege under state statutes, the federal common law, the Constitution, and Department of Justice guidelines that date back to the Nixon Administration. He said that recognition of a general privilege at the federal level is critical. It is both "realistic and vital that we press for it."
Ribbon Is Cut During Dedication of New Student Center

Hundreds gathered for the grand opening of the Kathryn O. and Alan C. Greenberg Center for Student Life, given in honor of Dean David Rudenstine, at a ribbon-cutting ceremony and gala reception. In an upbeat and happy atmosphere, Yeshiva University President Richard M. Joel, Cardozo Board Chair Kathy Greenberg ’82, Sara Klein ’05, and Dean Rudenstine addressed alumni, faculty, staff, and friends who came to honor the new Center and celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Law School.

Ms. Greenberg and her husband, Alan, contributed the lead gift, and parents, board members, and other individuals also gave generous contributions that made possible the transformation of the third floor, which serves as the hub of student life. In addition to the spacious Center, there is a café overlooking Fifth Avenue, handsome lockers, and new light-filled stairways. Paul Segal Associates, architects working with Cardozo over the last few years, designed the Center. The new space, a comfortable, attractive, and gracious area for students to socialize and study, is in constant use. It has become so popular that students recently requested even more seating to accommodate the demand.

Ms. Greenberg has been dedicated to and involved with the Law School’s progress and activities since becoming Board Chair in 2004. Because of her productive and collaborative relationship with Dean Rudenstine and her confidence in and support of his leadership, she asked that the Kathryn O. and Alan C. Greenberg Center for Student Life be given in his honor. (See also p. 40.)

Innocence Project Wins 200th Exoneration

With new DNA tests proving that Jerry Miller did not commit a brutal rape in Chicago for which he was convicted in 1982, the Innocence Project won exoneration in April for its 200th client. Miller, who always maintained his innocence, was convicted based on eyewitness misidentification. Miller’s attorneys included Bill Wolf of the Chicago Public Defender’s Office and Colin Starger of the Innocence Project. Clinic students Marsha Indyk ’06 and Minneh Givens ’07 also worked on the case and attended the Chicago hearing.

Profs. Barry Scheck and Peter Neufeld, cofounders of the Innocence Project and codirectors of the national organization, said the exonerations are the greatest data set ever on the causes of wrongful convictions in the United States and yet just the tip of the iceberg, since so few cases involve evidence that can be subjected to DNA testing. Immediately following this latest exoneration, the Innocence Project launched a month-long national campaign to address and prevent wrongful convictions.

“The first 200 DNA exonerations have transformed the criminal justice system in this country. These exonerations provide irrefutable scientific proof of the causes of wrongful convictions, and they provide a roadmap for fixing the criminal justice system,” Scheck said.

A primary goal of the national campaign is to support the formation of innocence commissions, state entities that identify causes of wrongful convictions and develop state reforms that can improve the criminal justice system. Six states already have such commissions, and seven more states are currently considering legislation to create them. For more information visit www.innocenceproject.org.
Justice Breyer Visits Twice

At the behest of Prof. Michel Rosenfeld, Associate Justice Stephen Breyer of the US Supreme Court visited Cardozo twice this year, for very different kinds of events.

In the fall, Justice Breyer was a special guest “professor” at a session of Rosenfeld’s constitutional law seminar, Judicial Balancing, Proportionality and Justice. He said that the court’s job was to balance interests and values, “making sure that legislature doesn’t trample our rights.”

He gave an inside look at the role of a Supreme Court Justice, explaining, “Our role is to operate the system so 300 million of us stay together.” He said that if you understand the system, you can improve it.

Breyer also identified six “tools” that all judges have to call upon in doing their jobs: language and text, history, tradition, precedent, purposes or the underlying objectives, and consequences or results. He joked that Justice Scalia uses the first four and that he uses the last two.

In the spring, Justice Breyer returned to engage in a conversation with Guy Canivet of the French Constitutional Council, the highest court in France, about the differing French and American approaches to the incorporation of principles of international law—whether in the form of treaties, rulings by international judicial bodies such as the International Court of Justice, or so-called “customary international law”—into the constitutional law of individual nations.

This topic has been a matter of increasing salience and controversy in recent years as the US Supreme Court has shown modest signs of an increasing internationalism in certain key constitutional cases, including ones on gay rights and the death penalty for juveniles. The discussion, part of the larger Franco-American Legal Conference, was moderated by Professor Rosenfeld and Prof. Mireille Delmas-Marty of the Collège de France.
DENNIS ROSS NAMED INTERNATIONAL ADVOCATE FOR PEACE

Ambassador Dennis Ross, counselor at The Washington Institute and Ziegler distinguished fellow, received the International Advocate for Peace Award from the Cardozo Journal of Conflict Resolution. He visited the Law School in April to receive the award and delivered a speech, “Challenges to Peace in the Middle East.”

The Journal honored Ambassador Ross for playing a leading role for more than 12 years in shaping US involvement in the Middle East peace process and dealing directly with the parties in negotiations. A highly skilled diplomat, he was the US mediator in the peace process in both the George H. W. Bush and Bill Clinton administrations. He was instrumental in assisting Israelis and Palestinians to reach the 1995 Interim Agreement, successfully brokered the 1997 Hebron Accord, facilitated the 1994 Israel-Jordan peace treaty, and intensively worked to bring Israel and Syria together.

NYC SCHOOLS CHANCELLOR JOEL KLEIN  The Public Interest Law Students Association (PILSA) presented the first annual Clarence Darrow Award, given for outstanding achievements in public service, to New York City Schools Chancellor Joel Klein. The honor was presented by Dylan Mattes ‘08 (left), editor-in-chief, Cardozo Public Policy, Law, and Ethics Journal, and Daniel Forman, chair of PILSA.

FEDERALIST SOCIETY  Cardozo’s Federalist Society hosted a talk by Prof. John Yoo (right), University of California at Berkeley. Professor Yoo, formerly a deputy assistant attorney general in the Office of Legal Counsel at the US Department of Justice and a drafter of the Patriot Act, was on campus to discuss his new book, War by Other Means, an insider’s account of the war on terror.
Shareholder Activism, Hedge Funds, and Chinese Law and Business Highlight Heyman Center Year

An ambitious agenda of public events, an expanded international program, and more scholarships and opportunities for students to network with law and business professionals marked a successful 2006-07 season for The Samuel and Ronnie Heyman Center on Corporate Governance. According to Heyman Center director Eric J. Pan, through its continued and productive collaboration with the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA), the Center brought more than 1,000 lawyers, financiers, regulators, and journalists to Cardozo for events on such topics as securities regulation and the global financial markets.

In addition, several lunches for Heyman Scholars featured practitioners and scholars including David DeMuro, managing director and head of global compliance, Lehman Brothers; Adam Glucksman, managing director, BNP Paribas; and Prof. Andrea Guaccero, University of Palermo and Rome.

**SPECIAL GUESTS PROVIDE INSIDER’S VIEW**

In front of a packed Jacob Burns Moot Court Room, Emmy Award-winning journalist Charlie Rose interviewed entrepreneur, investor, and philanthropist T. Boone Pickens, chairman, BP Capital Management, at Shareholder Activism and the Thriving Public Company. Drawing on his legendary experience challenging public company boards, and using his folksy personal delivery, Mr. Pickens spoke about why shareholder activism enhances the value and health of public companies, and suggested that shareholders should have more ability to choose, and even become, board members in an effort to diminish management’s control. He told anecdotes about his life, and sprinkled the conversation with his extensive knowledge of energy markets.

Mark Belnick, former Tyco International general counsel, gave a dramatic talk, “Counsel in the Cross-hairs,” about his experience leaving Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison as a nationally renowned litigator to work for Tyco. There, he became caught up in one of the largest corporate fraud investigations in US history and had to defend himself against criminal prosecution. Ultimately, he was exonerated.

**SIFMA AND HEYMAN CENTER COLLABORATE**

Jumping into the middle of the national debate regarding the competitiveness of the US financial markets, The Heyman Center and SIFMA cohosted an address by Charlie McCreevy, European Union commissioner for the internal market and services. Commissioner McCreevy spoke about the need to develop common standards for the global financial markets and the
regulatory impact of the impending consolidation of US and European stock exchanges.

The two organizations also co-sponsored a talk by Mark Pomerantz, a litigator at Paul, Weiss, who commented on the US Department of Justice’s Thompson Memorandum and the prosecution of corporate entities. Then a roundtable, Regulating Financial Markets by Rules or Principles, featured Roel Campos, commissioner; US Securities and Exchange Commission; and Walter Lukken, commissioner; US Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Richard G. Ketchum, chief executive officer; NYSE Regulation; David Brown, Public Interest Oversight Board, and former chairman and chief executive officer; Ontario Securities Commission; Dan Waters, director of Retail Policy, United Kingdom Financial Services Authority; Giovanni Prezioso, former general counsel, US Securities and Exchange Commission; and Professor Pan.

CURRENT ISSUES IN HEDGE FUNDS AND BANKRUPTCY LAW
In response to the rapid growth of hedge funds, The Heyman Center organized Perspectives on Corporate Restructurings: The Impact of Hedge Funds in Corporate Restructuring Transactions, its second annual conference on the subject. With the help of Heyman Center Advisory Fellows Jonathan Henes ’96 and Gary Holtzer ’90, the event attracted a capacity crowd including many of the leading figures in the corporate restructurings field. One panel examined the dual, and sometimes conflicting, roles of hedge funds as creditors to distressed companies and as active traders in the market for distressed debt. A second panel looked at the changing opportunities for private equity firms in corporate restructuring transactions.

A half-day conference, Current Issues Facing the Limited Liability Company, marked the 30th anniversary of the first limited liability company statute and brought to Cardozo the leading experts in the law of LLCs.

CARDOZO GOES TO CHINA  In January, between semesters, 25 Cardozo students and faculty members went to Beijing and Shanghai for a new program in Chinese law and business. Over the course of several days, they learned about and analyzed China’s growing economic influence and concurrent legal developments. They met with representatives of Goldman Sachs, Preston Gates, AIG, Jones Day, Kaye Scholer, Jun He Law offices, TZG partners, Staples Investments, East China University, and the US Embassy in Beijing.
CRIMINAL LAW SCHOLARS MEET

A discussion of Prof. George P. Fletcher's book
The Grammar of Criminal Law: American, Comparative, International brought together prominent criminal law scholars from the United States and abroad to examine crime and punishment from a philosophical and comparative law point of view. The conference papers will be published in a symposium issue of the Cardozo Law Review. The Jacob Burns Ethics Center was the conference sponsor.

George Fletcher,
Cardozo Professor of Jurisprudence,
Columbia University School of Law, spoke about his book.
**DISTINGUISHED LATINA IN THE LAW** Lillian “Lee” Liambelis (right), assistant district attorney for New York County, was joined by friends Laura Gonzalez and Laura Miranda, at the fifth Annual Latin American Law Students Association Festival. Liambelis, a champion of civil rights, received the Distinguished Latina in the Law Award. The festival featured dinner, dancing and live music, piñatas, and a cigar roller.

**LUNAR NEW YEAR** The Asian Pacific American Law Student Association (APALSA) hosted a party to celebrate the Lunar New Year. Commemorating the year of the pig, students enjoyed Tina Yang (pictured), dancing in traditional Korean style, and a performance of the Lion Dance by members of the Chinese Cultural Center on Long Island.

**Judges Help Legal Writing Come Alive**

Federal and state judges visit Cardozo to speak about legal practice, judicial decision making, and appellate advocacy as part of the Lawyering Skills and Legal Writing (LSLW) course required of first-year students. This year, in three separate sessions, Judge Robert Smith of the New York State Court of Appeals, Judge Colleen McMahon of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and Judge Loretta Preska of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York addressed more than 350 first-year students.

Prof. Leslie Newman, director of the Legal Writing Center, working with Prof. Stewart Sterk, scheduled the talks to coincide with the students’ participation in what is generally known as LSLW Moot Court. This appellate advocacy experience includes negotiation, brief writing, a visit to an appellate court, and oral argument. “These talks give students an opportunity to meet and hear from working judges at a particularly early moment in their law school experience,” says Professor Newman. “Our goal is to help students feel more comfortable with what for many will be important sites in their future careers: judicial chambers and the courtroom.”

Judge Smith, who is also an adjunct at Cardozo, discussed a recent case before his court, Poliano v. Herbert, providing a videotape of the parties’ oral argument. Judge McMahon, who will teach at Cardozo in spring 2008, was pleased to see in the audience Christopher Serbagi ’95, who is a member of the LSLW faculty and has been an advocate in her court. Judge Preska, who offered many pointers on litigation and advocacy and their use in the courtroom, brought Eric Hochstadt ’03, one of her former clerks, and Mark Ginsberg ’08, who worked in her chambers through the Alexander Fellows Program.
Cardozo film on Nuremberg Legacy Premieres

In March 2005, Cardozo's Program in Holocaust and Human Rights Studies organized a landmark conference devoted to the legacy of the Nuremberg Trials. A Cardozo-produced documentary, Nuremberg: Reflection and Resonance, which premiered at the Law School in spring 2007, grew from that conference and features first-hand recollections by those who played significant roles as prosecutors, translators, and investigators at the Nuremberg Trials. The film, winner of two Telly Awards, is narrated by broadcast journalist Rolland Smith and explores the history, politics, and philosophy behind the trials and their influence on international criminal law today.

Kristof Talks about Darfur

Nicholas Kristof, columnist for The New York Times, gave his very inside perspective on the “First Genocide of the 21 Century: Report from Darfur.” An engaging and vivid story teller, he spoke of people that he met, portraying their dignity and suffering, while reminding us of our moral obligation to help those with no voice. When introducing him, Dean David Rudenstine said, “Kristof is responsible for raising our awareness of the events in Sudan with dogged determination and persistence, as he shows us over and over again why these issues are important.”

Kristof’s revelatory moment occurred on an early trip to Sudan, when he encountered a group of about 30,000 Darfuris who had fled an attack on their village and were gathered at an oasis. As Kristof went from tree to tree interviewing people, one man told of being shot in the face and climbing out from under a massive pile of bodies, and a woman explained how attackers had poisoned her village’s well with dead bodies. Under another tree, he found a four-year-old looking after his two-year-old sibling. At another, a young woman told him how her two children and husband had been killed, and she and her sister were left naked in the desert after being gang raped. Kristof said he looked around at all the other trees and saw the thousands of people sitting in their shade with similar stories to tell, and was hit with the

(From left) Sheri Rosenberg, director, Program in Holocaust and Human Rights Studies; Nicholas Kristof, the 2007 Uriel and Caroline Bauer Distinguished Visitor; and Dean Rudenstine
magnitude of the tragedy.

Kristof shared his thoughts on the Sudanese government's complicity in this conflict, and discussed next steps. Sending in US ground troops is not a solution, Kristof advised. He said that aid programs for refugees have been good but utterly inadequate. He advocated increasing international pressure on the Sudanese government, as the US government did several years ago, successfully pushing them to expel Osama bin Laden from Sudan, where he had taken refuge. Additionally, he suggested that organizations such as the United Nations and the International Criminal Court publish reports and graphic photographs of the atrocities-making them visceral so people react. And, he said, we as citizens should keep the issue in front of our elected officials, as their priorities are shaped by constituent concerns.

**Cotler Urges International Action to Prevent Genocide**

Characterizing Iranian President Ahmadinejad's comments as persistent, pervasive, and pernicious, Hon. Irwin Cotler, member of the Canadian Parliament and former Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, urged steps to prevent genocide in the Middle East. In a keynote address, Cotler said Ahmadinejad's remarks about his desire to wipe Israel off the map coupled with his denial of the Holocaust, plus Iran's nuclear intentions, could constitute a public and direct incitement to genocide under the 1948 Genocide Convention, one without precedent since World War II. He said he hoped that the two-day conference, Denying Genocide: Law, Identity and Historical Memory in the Face of Mass Atrocity, would be "not an act of remembrance but a remembrance to act."

In order to halt such behavior, he recommended that sovereign states implement judicial remedies that would allow governments, for example, to frame a prosecutorial indictment or to lodge an international complaint at the United Nations. These legal steps would put the perpetrator or state on notice that they cannot act with impunity.

Cotler also urged the international community to support the arrest warrants recently issued by Argentina for former President Rafsanjani and other Iranian officials found to be responsible for the 1994 Buenos Aires Jewish Center suicide bombing. Cotler worked closely with the Argentine commission and is dismayed by the silence and lack of political will in the United States and Canada to support the indictment. Cotler said, "I go around pestering and prodding international leaders about what I think are the most urgent human rights priorities: to prevent state sanctioned genocide by Iran from ever happening and stop the ongoing genocide in Darfur."

Other leading experts participating at the conference included Emory University's Deborah Lipstadt, who was the key government witness in the celebrated prosecution of Holocaust denier David Irving; University of Minnesota's Tamer Akcam, author of A Shameful Act: The Armenian Genocide and the Question of Turkish Responsibility; and Paul van Zyl, former executive secretary to the South African Truth and Reconciliation Commission and co-founder of the International Center for Transitional Justice. On the first evening, the documentary The Legacy of Jedwabne was shown and then discussed with filmmaker Slawomir Grünberg; associate producer Stephanie Steiker; Jan Gross, professor of history, Princeton University, and author of Neighbors; and Consul General of Poland Krzysztof W. Kasprzyk.

The conference, organized by Sheri P. Rosenberg, director of Cardozo's Program in Holocaust and Human Rights Studies, was cosponsored with The World Policy Institute and the Institute for the Study of Genocide.
Events, Anniversaries, and Special Guests Light Up Intellectual Property Law Program

MODEST PROPOSALS REDUX

Some Modest Proposals 3.0 marked the third year that professors, current and former Capitol Hill staff, Administration officials, and Washington activists converged at Cardozo. They presented and discussed ways to improve intellectual property and information law, and how to turn their ideas into actual statutory, regulatory, or treaty language.

US Commissioner of Trademarks Lynne Beresford (right) joined the Cardozo adjunct faculty for the 2006–07 academic year and taught Trademark Practicum.

Assistant US Trade Representative Victoria Espinel (second from left), a frequent visitor to the Law School, spoke to LL.M. students and faculty about intellectual property development and problems in China at a lecture and luncheon.

GRAMMY FOUNDATION PANEL DISCUSSES MUSIC INDUSTRY CHANGES

At the Grammy Foundation's ninth annual Entertainment Law Initiative Legal Seminar Series, the fourth held at Cardozo and cosponsored with Cardozo Arts & Entertainment Law Journal, music industry attorneys and artist and repertoire executives discussed the real-world legal challenges in signing artists today. Specifically, the panelists examined the ever more-direct link between artists and music consumers and the growing consolidation of the music industry.

Prof. James Boyle (left), William Neal Reynolds Professor of Law, Duke University, delivered the 14th Annual Distinguished Lecture in Intellectual Property on “Synthetic Biology—The Perfect Storm for Patent Law?”

Nicholas C. Ferrara Esq., managing partner, Sterling Rooks & Ferrara, LLP; and James Diener, president, Octone Records.
PATENTING PEOPLE LOOKS AT ETHICS AND RIGHTS TO LIFE FORMS, CLONING HUMANS, AND FUTURE CREATIONS

Prof. Cynthia Ho (above), Chicago Loyola School of Law, spoke at Patenting People, a conference addressing the moral and ethical issues surrounding today's medical technology. Academics and policy makers from around the world participated.

WORKSHOP HELD ON ACCESS AND OWNERSHIP

AELJ held a workshop for American law journal editors to discuss the growing open access movement in scholarly literature—a new trend that seeks to revolutionize the relationship between information providers and end users. Participants compared authors' agreements and held a roundtable discussion on the future of law reviews, the appropriate division of rights between journals and authors, and the possibility of collective action among law journals.

IP SCHOLARS BRING NEW IDEAS TO THE TABLE

Founded six years ago, the Intellectual Property Speaker Series provides a forum for scholars to discuss the latest ideas and issues with students and colleagues. One of six presenters for 2006-07, Anuj Desai (above), University of Wisconsin, spoke on "Media, Institutions, and the First Amendment."

Newmark Kicks Off OneWebDay

Since founding craigslist.org, a Web site for online community classifieds and forums that has irrevocably changed the classified industry and the way people use the Internet, Craig Newmark has become an Internet legend. He was a computer programmer and, as he describes himself, "a geek with a pocket-protector and thick black glasses taped together."

Newmark, well dressed and sporting designer glasses, greeted an audience of students, faculty, and visitors in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room in celebration of the first annual OneWebDay, a global celebration of the Web founded by Prof. Susan Crawford. In his prepared remarks, he spoke about the effects the Internet has had on journalism, social networking, and preventing and stopping illegal online activity, and then addressed the impact regulation could have on the Web.

The explosion of the Internet has revolutionized the way we interact and create media, said Newmark. He described blogs, chat rooms, and online community sites such as craigslist.org or myspace.com, where anyone can voice their opinion, as "citizen journalism." Although he finds the enthusiasm generated there refreshing, he expressed concern over the dearth of fact checking and professional editing and writing. Another of his concerns is the use of the Internet by politicians and their supporters in running smear campaigns against their opponents.

Newmark was asked to comment on the popularity of social networking versus real-world socializing. He said the reason for the popularity is that everyone wants to live in a community and it makes people feel more connected.

Newmark said we are in an age of "constitutional crisis" and called for the righteous to stand up and take control. He explained that he often uncovers scams posted on craigslist.org, usually as a result of a tip from a user. He claims that these efforts put craigslist.org on the cutting edge of Internet law, as he works in conjunction with various law enforcement agencies to institute safeguards for the Net.

As for the future of craigslist.org, Newmark said he wants the site to be multilingual and have interactive maps, and that it should always strive for better customer service.
Public Service Scholar Named a Skadden Fellow

Sarah Hudson-Plush '07 won a Skadden Fellowship for work after graduation in public interest law. Sarah is known for numerous leadership roles at Cardozo, especially the founding of Cardozo Youth Advocates, a law student organization that holds law-related sessions for teenagers at risk.

She has also served on the executive board of the Public Interest Law Students Association; trained and served as an advocate for the Courtroom Advocates Project of Cardozo Advocates for Battered Women; and volunteered for the Unemployment Action Center, Sanctuary for Families' Uncontested Divorce Project, and the New York Civil Rights Coalition's Unlearning Stereotypes Program. Sarah was a legal intern at the Bet Tzedek Legal Services Clinic.

Upon being informed of Sarah's award, Dean David Rudenstine said, "Sarah is an outstanding student, was a compelling candidate for the Skadden Fellowship, and will do exemplary work. She has brought honor to herself and the Law School, and I am thoroughly delighted and impressed by her accomplishments and successes."

The Skadden Fellowship Foundation, described by the Los Angeles Times as "a legal Peace Corps," was founded, according to the Foundation's Web site, in 1988 by Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom and annually provides two-year fellowships to talented young lawyers so that they may pursue the practice of public interest law on a full-time basis.

Following graduation, Sarah, who wanted to combine child welfare law and education law, will work at The Center for Family Representation (CFR) in New York. For the fellowship application, she worked with CFR to develop an educational advocacy program for families, which she will run. She will help parents obtain education services for their children, many of whom have been in the foster care system or are at risk of entering it.

Sarah successfully navigated the Skadden Fellowship's highly competitive selection process to become only the second Skadden Fellow in Cardozo history. John Marth '00 preceded her.

Prior to beginning her legal studies, Sarah taught for three years through the Teach for America Program. She also worked at Children's Rights and Lawyers for Children and interned at the Legal Aid Society's Education Advocacy Project.

Martinidez Is New Dean of Admissions

David G. Martinidez, a university administrator with more than 10 years of experience—most recently as director of admissions at Columbia Law School—was named dean of admissions at Cardozo. He began in January 2007.

Mr. Martinidez said, "I am enthralled with the energy and enthusiasm that I find at Cardozo—emanating from the dean, the administrators, and especially the students. I think it's a really exciting time to be joining Cardozo, and I look forward to bringing new ideas and creativity to an admissions office that has great strength."

Mr. Martinidez spent many years at both Columbia and NYU. He was a member of the Columbia Law School admissions office for five years, during which time he also served as assistant director and associate director of admissions. At NYU, from which he holds a master of arts in counseling psychology from the Steinhardt School of Education, Mr. Martinidez was assistant director for student affairs at Tisch School of the Arts and worked for several years in NYU's office of financial aid. He earned his B.A. from Manhattanville College.

Upon the appointment, Dean David Rudenstine said, "David brings broad admissions expertise and experience to his new responsibilities as well as real appreciation of and enthusiasm for Cardozo's remarkable accomplishments and potential."
Four Famed Lawyers Argue Advocacy of Jewish Causes

In a display of mutual admiration and profound disagreement, four of North America's most influential Jewish lawyers convened in October 2006 to reflect on the subject of "Advocates for the Jews: A New Model of Lawyerizing?"

Irwin Cotler, a member of the Canadian Parliament and former Minister of Justice; Alan Dershowitz, law professor at Harvard; Stuart Eizenstat, a high-ranking official in three presidential administrations; and Nathan Lewin, a prominent Washington litigator, made this panel the centerpiece of a three-day conference on Jews and the Legal Profession, sponsored by Cardozo's Program in Jewish Law and Interdisciplinary Studies (PJLIS) and The David Berg Foundation.

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As Prof. Suzanne Last Stone, director of PJLIS, remarked, the four panelists, who emerged from the same generation and milieu, share a style that has not been duplicated. The panel highlighted some of the conference's fundamental themes, including how religious identity manifests itself in a lawyer's work—in particular, is the connection expressed in terms that resonate with secular ideals of justice and democracy, or rather in unabashedly religious terms?

Speaking from their diverse experiences in the public square, Cotler, Dershowitz, and Eizenstat all took the position that cause lawyering harms the credibility of the advocate and diserves the Jewish community. Though all proudly admitted their public support of Jewish causes, Irwin Cotler said, "I come to the support of Jewish causes because they are just causes, and if they are just causes, they deserve the support of everyone."

Lewin, on the other hand, championed particularistic cause lawyering, and actually bemoaned the lack of "armies of Jewish lawyers to represent Jewish causes in litigation in the United States." Lewin is known for advocating for state support of Kiryas Joel (a predominantly Hasidic Jewish village in Orange County, NY) and having menorahs erected in public. Dershowitz, despite expressions of admiration for Lewin, contended that this kind of lawyering is "disserving the longer-term interests of the Jewish community."

Dershowitz invoked the idea of universal justice that pervades the biblical and Jewish traditions as a central nexus between his Jewish identity and professional ambitions. Despite his resolute support of Israel and other Jewish causes, Dershowitz declared himself primarily a human rights lawyer, adding, "I am a human rights lawyer—I follow trouble—and when there's trouble in the Jewish community, I'm a Jewish lawyer."

Indeed, their differences aside, the panelists agreed to disagree—very much in the style of the Talmud itself, as Professor Dershowitz noted in closing.

Israeli Scholar Gives Inaugural Meyer Lecture

Hanina Ben-Menahem, Montesquieu Professor of Comparative Law and Legal History at Hebrew University Law School and in residence at Cardozo in fall 2006 as the Dr. Ivan Isaak Meyer Visiting Scholar in Comparative Jewish Law, delivered the inaugural Meyer Lecture in Jewish Law. In addressing "The Myth of Formalism: (Mis)readings of Jewish Law from Paul to the Present," Professor Ben-Menahem explained that religious legal systems have often been maligned as overly formalistic—concerned only with the mechanical development and application of abstract concepts—and therefore unjust. He argued that Jewish law is governed by men, not rules and that concern for justice and values plays a central role in the law's implementation.
Judge Arthur Chaskalson, president, International Commission on Jurists, and former president, Constitutional Court of South Africa, discussed constitutional limits on detention and coercive interrogation at a two-day conference, *Preserving Civil Liberties in an Age of Global Terror*, held in September 2006. Other distinguished individuals who came to debate and discuss differing approaches to the war on terror and how to preserve the balance between civil liberties and security were Prof. Gil Carlos Rodríguez Iglesis, former president of the European Court of Justice; German judge and law professor Bernhard Schlink, best known as the author of *The Reader*; and Olivier Dutheillet de Lamothe, a member of the French Constitutional Council.

Much of the conference's discussions centered on the book *Protecting Liberty in an Age of Terror* by Professors Philip Heymann and Juliette Kayyem of Harvard University. The forum was co-organized by the Cardozo Program on Security, Democracy, and the Rule of Law and the Institut des Hautes Études sur la Justice of Paris, France.

Prominent constitutional scholars and historians discussed the scope of presidential war powers at *The Domestic Commander in Chief* conference held in spring 2007. On the panel examining the role from a historical perspective were (from left) Beth Hillman of Rutgers Law School and Martin Fiherty of Fordham Law School. Michael Les Benedict of The Ohio State University history department and Martin Lederman of Georgetown University Law Center were on the panel as well. Other panels discussed secrecy and the Commander-in-Chief, power, and congressional review and judicial power.

**Around campus**

**Floersheimer Center for Constitutional Democracy**

Senior Judge Harry Edwards (center) of the US Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit discussed his tenure as Chief Judge from 1994 to 2001. He is with Prof. Julie Suk and Vice Dean Michael Herz, director, Floersheimer Center.

Hon. Margarita López-Torres, Kings County Surrogate Court Judge and lead plaintiff in *López-Torres v. New York City Board of Elections*, discussed her lawsuit challenging New York State's method of electing Supreme Court Justices, which will be heard by the US Supreme Court in fall 2007. The event was one of the Floersheimer Center's Constitutional Conversations, a series of lunchtime talks devoted to current constitutional controversies. Other topics discussed this year included the scope of congressional power to end the war in Iraq, recent state rulings addressing the constitutional validity of state bans on same-sex marriage, and the partial birth abortion case.

Prof. Kenji Yoshino of Yale Law School, one of the nation's leading scholars on constitutional and antidiscrimination law, discussed his much-heralded book *Covering: The Hidden Assault on Our Civil Rights*. In the book, Prof. Yoshino argues that covering—the demand that individuals downplay a disfavored trait or behavior—is a violation of civil rights. Professors Michelle Adams and Peter Goodrich and Prof. Anne Cheng of the Princeton University English department (at left) offered commentary.
Famed Islamist Speaks on Fundamentalism and Building Democracies

"More and more, the war on terror is seen as a war on Islam by the Islamic world," said John Esposito, University Professor and founding director of the Prince Alwaleed bin Talal Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding at Georgetown University. Known as the top American-born scholar of Islam, Professor Esposito, whose more than 30 books include his most recent, Unholy War: Terror in the Name of Islam, gave the closing keynote address at Fundamentalism and the Law, sponsored by the Floersheimer Center and organized by Prof. Marci Hamilton. Papers from the conference have been collected and will be published as an academic book.

Named one of the 101 most dangerous professors in the country by conservative American author and columnist David Horowitz, Esposito focused his talk on how best to make Islamic and Christian countries understand and respect each other, especially given that there are a billion people who practice Islam worldwide.

According to Esposito, "Fundamentalism is a loaded term" that we tend to equate with extremism and Islamism. However, he cautioned, since the 1980s, Islamic countries have been winning elections and leading opposition parties throughout the world. Several countries where the populations are predominately Islamic—like Iraq—are just now trying to integrate their country's laws with the values important to their religion, something Christian societies grappled with more than two centuries ago. He suggested that Americans can support conditions to help reform while avoiding the promotion of "our" brand of democracy.

"A whole bazaar of ideas is out there," explained Esposito, noting that many questions would need to be resolved as constitutions are written: Who will finally decide on the constitutions for these countries? An informed lay people? Religious leaders? Whose Islam will prevail? Will there be a restoration of the past? Will there be reform and reinterpretation?

Among his concrete suggestions for moving the conversation forward and for diminishing the animosity between cultures was to have Islam as part of the curriculum in universities and theological seminaries. He ended by asking, "How pluralistic are we going to be in dealing with Islam? Are we really willing to be?"
AROUND campus

Herbert Hovenkamp, Ben and Dorothy Willie Chair, University of Iowa College of Law, spoke on "Restraints on Innovation," this year's Uriel and Caroline Bauer Memorial Lecture.

The 2006 Bauer Distinguished Visitor, Olivier Dutheillet de Lamothe, member of the French Constitutional Council and the Conseil d'Etat, spoke on "Detention, Transfer, Interrogation, and the CIA: A European Perspective on Extraordinary Renditions."

MEDIATION INTENSIVE WELCOMES STUDENTS Representation in Mediation is an opportunity for students to hone their mediation skills in an intensive one-week workshop. On the final day, professional mediators coach the students in their representation skills. Three student teams from the course are selected to represent Cardozo in the ABA Regional Representation in Mediation Competition and the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Representation in Mediation Competition held in Paris.

Team members Lauren Palais '07, who went to the ICC Competition in Paris, and Rebecca Fischer '07 practice mediation skills.

RESTORATIVE JUSTICE: Choosing Restoration over Retribution was hosted by the Cardozo Journal of Conflict Resolution and the American Bar Association criminal justice and dispute resolution sections and featured prominent scholars and practitioners in the field.

(From left, seated) Prof. Janine Geske, Marquette University School of Law; Ronnie Earle, District Attorney, Travis County, TX; Prof. Ellen Waldman, Thomas Jefferson School of Law; Kay Pranis, Minnesota Department of Corrections. (Standing) Prof. Maria Volpe, John Jay College of Criminal Justice; Olga Botcharova, Center for Strategic and International Studies; Prof. Richard Bierschbach; Hon. Alex Calabrese, Red Hook Community Justice Center; Dr. Julie Macfarlane, University of Windsor Faculty of Law; Abigail Pensell '07; Jessica Ley '07; and Prof. Lela Love, director, Kukin Program for Conflict Resolution.
Conference Focuses on Poverty and Health

Internationally recognized scholars, practitioners, and organization leaders gathered at the Law School for a two-day conference, Poverty and Family Health: Environmental Dangers and Progressive Solutions, sponsored by the Journal of Law and Gender. Participants focused on issues such as hazardous exposure to pesticides, lead, and mercury; the growing urban asthma problem; and how to protect and compensate vulnerable populations.

Michael Gerrard, Esq., Arnold & Porter, LLP delivered the keynote address.

BADIOU SPEAKS ON JUSTICE

Alain Badiou (center), University of Paris, is one of the most well-known living philosophers. He gave the Jacob Burns Distinguished Lecture, speaking on “Is Justice a Juridical Concept?” His remarks were followed by a response from the influential British philosopher Simon Critchley (right) of The New School. Prof. Peter Goodrich, who directs the Law and Humanities Program, is with them.

Judge Janis Jack of Mass Tort Fame Visits

At the inaugural event of the Program on Legal Ethics in the Tort System, US District Judge Janis Jack spoke about her experiences in presiding over MDL 1553, involving 10,000 claims of silicosis—a scarring of the lungs caused by inhalation of sand dusts—and what led her to hold a Deubert hearing and issue a 263-page opinion rejecting thousands of medical diagnoses as unreliable.

In that opinion—which continues to reverberate around the mass tort world—she stated, “It is apparent that truth and justice had very little to do with these diagnoses. ... [Indeed] it is clear that the lawyers, doctors, and screening companies were all willing participants in a scheme to manufacture [diagnoses] for money.” Introductions and commentary were provided by Adam Liptak, national legal correspondent, The New York Times and Prof. Lester Brickman, the Program’s director.
Public Service Auction Raises $260,000—New Record

The 15th anniversary of the Public Interest Law Student Association (PILSA) Goods and Services Auction was a stunning success. It raised approximately $260,000 from auctioned items, sponsors, and other gifts; in addition, a grant from The David Berg Foundation with other funds brought the total to $560,000. This amount will enable 128 students to receive awards of $4,000 each to work in unpaid jobs in the public and non-for-profit sector this summer.

The rise of the auction's success over the past three years and its contribution to funding greater numbers of public interest summer stipends has been nothing short of remarkable. The extraordinary growth from $80,000 in 2005 to $200,000 in 2006, and to an auction record in 2007, indicates how important the public interest program is to the Cardozo community. For example, this year 27 students working for private firms pledged a day’s salary, marking a more than 400 percent increase over the number pledging last year.

The success is also a reflection of the leadership of Cardozo Board Chair Kathryn O. Greenberg ’82. “In taking on the role of Cardozo Board liaison to the auction, Ms. Greenberg has been immensely helpful, advocating for students, soliciting donations, encouraging her colleagues to participate, giving fabulous gifts such as dinner at the ultra-exclusive restaurant Rao’s, and sharing her expertise and enthusiasm, which is contagious,” said student auction organizer Greg Propper ’07. “She has had the effect of increasing participation and interest in the event.”

A silent auction in the lobby and a live auction in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room featured a range of items, including tickets to Jon Stewart’s Daily Show and Stephen Colbert’s The Colbert Report, vacation packages, owner’s box tickets to the Giants, tickets to Trump National Gold Club, and the highly popular dinner with Dean Rudenstine.

MEMBERS OF CARDOZO COMMUNITY HONOURED INSPIRE!, a Celebration of Cardozo’s Commitment to Public Service, was the final event of Public Law Advocacy Week, a series of panels, workshops, and other events, highlighting public interest practitioners and activists within the Cardozo community. Members of the Cardozo community who were recognized for their public service activities included (from left) Jack Marth ’00, legal clinic coordinator, Part of the Solution; Prof. Leslie Saltzman; Prof. Paris Baldacci; Prof. Toby Golick; Judge Ellen Greenberg ’81, Nassau County Family Court; Juliette Blige, executive assistant, Office of Student Services; and Sarah Hudson-Plush ’07 (not pictured).
NEW METHODOLOGIES FOR PRESENTING EVIDENCE DISCUSSED

Scholars and practitioners from the fields of law, philosophy, computer science, artificial intelligence, cognitive psychology, and linguistics attended a two-day conference to examine graphic visualization of legal evidentiary inference and its support by software tools. The Jacob Burns Institute for Advanced Legal Studies sponsored Graphic and Visual Representations of Evidence and Inference in Legal Settings.

AN EVENING WITH MR. DARROW FEATURES REENACTMENTS BY NOTED CRIMINAL DEFENDERS

The Jacob Burns Ethics Center marked the 150th anniversary of Clarence Darrow's birth and the 40th of the Supreme Court case Gideon v. Wainwright, the watershed case on the right to counsel in criminal cases. The event honored Darrow as the consummate defense lawyer by featuring nine leading criminal defense lawyers performing portions of the summations and cross-examinations from his most noted trials. Prof. Ellen Yaroshesfsky, director, Jacob Burns Ethics Center, performed the cross-examination from the Scopes Monkey Trial. Other participants were Herald Price Fahnrenger, Daniel Arshack, Benjamin Brafman, Jack T. Litman, Anthony Ricco, Murray Richman, Joseph Ryan, Lynne Stewart, and Hon. Albert Tumei. The New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers was a cosponsor.

PARENTING AND MARRIAGE

were discussed at events held by the Program in Family Law, Policy, and Bioethics. Brondi Borer (above), vice president, Entertainment Software Rating Board, was among the panelists at “European Unions: What can the US Learn from Europe about Extending Marriage to Gay and Lesbian Couples?”

At the annual Gloria and Stanley Plesent Lecture, which features talks on family law, “Love, Marriage, and the Baby Carriage” was the title of an address by Linda McClain, Rivkin Radler Distinguished Professor of Law, Hofstra University School of Law, and author of The Place of Families: Fostering Capacity, Equality, and Responsibility.

IDENTITY THEFT

The Journal of International and Comparative Law symposium, Identity Theft and Data Security: International Issues for Practitioners and Scholars, focused on corporate governance, recent developments in protecting personal information, and issues about privacy and freedom. Kenneth Dreifach (above), partner, Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal LLP, and former New York State Assistant Attorney General, Internet Bureau, was a panelist. In 2007, The Journal will publish a special issue featuring the symposium.
Moot Court Honor Society has Successful and Busy Year

Competing nationally and regionally, Cardozo's Moot Court Honor Society has had an impressive two years. It hosted several competitions at Cardozo, and members fared very well in their endeavors at other law schools.

After winning both best respondent brief and best oralist in 2005, Cardozo continues to place well at Fordham's annual Irving R. Kaufman Memorial Securities Law Moot Court Competition. In 2006 Parvin Aminolroaya '08 and Erica Ramirez '08 won best petitioner brief and took second place overall; in 2007 Jennifer Vakiener '08 and John Zeitler '08 won second place for best respondent brief.

Competing at Pepperdine University's ninth annual National Entertainment Law Moot Court Competition in the fall of 2006, Rebecca Hirschklau '07 and Claire Scheinbaum '08 won first place for best respondent brief, and Hirschklau was named best oralist. In the winter of 2007, Jayne Cooper '08 and Christopher Healy '08 advanced to the quarterfinals at the NYU Immigration Law Moot Court Competition, and Stephanie Alperin '08 and Jaclyn Short '08 competed in the Robert F. Wagner National Labor & Employment Law Moot Court Competition at New York Law School, making it to the octofinal round.

This year's Cardozo/BMI Entertainment and Communications Law Moot Court Competition, founded in 1984, hosted 34 teams representing 27 different law schools, the largest turnout in the history of the competition. Among the presiding judges were Senior Judge Atsushi Wallace Tashima, US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; Judge Raymond C. Fisher, US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; and Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights.

Vera Kachnowski '08 (pictured) won the Monrad G. Paulsen Competition and was selected best oralist. Brian Baum '08 was the runner-up in both categories. The prize for best brief went to Erin Birmingham '08; David Rausnitz '08 took second place. Deciding this year's Paulsen competition were Judge Laura Taylor Swain, US District Court, Southern District of NY; Judge Thomas L. Ambro, US Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit; and Justice Barry T. Albin, NJ Supreme Court.

THE BERG FOUNDATION HONORED
President Michele Cohn Tocci and Director William Zabel (front row, second and third from left) of The David Berg Foundation, dedicated supporter of Cardozo's public service program, were honored at a luncheon hosted by Dean David Rudenstine (far right). In summer 2006, 20 students (many of them shown here), were recipients of The David Berg Public Interest Summer Stipends, which allowed them to work in unpaid summer internships. Dean David Rudenstine said, "The consistent and generous support from the Berg Foundation has helped enormously in propelling Cardozo's Public Service Law Program." Students spoke enthusiastically of their summer experiences at such organizations as the ACLU of Northern California, the Sierra Club, and the Legal Aid Society.
IRAQ MEDIA  The Iraqi insurgency and how it manipulates the media was the focus of a talk given by Ibrahim Marashi, a research associate at the Center for Nonproliferation Studies of the Monterey Institute of International Studies. He discussed how insurgent media promote their agendas by planning spectacular events such as shooting down US helicopters, then capturing the event on film to disseminate it on the Web and to other media outlets. The lecture was sponsored by the Howard M. Squadron Program in Law, Media and Society.

PATRIOT ACT  Senator Russ Feingold (D-Wis) (below, right), known for his independence and integrity, was the only Senator to vote against the USA Patriot Act in October 2001. He shared his views on the Patriot Act, warrantless wiretaps, and the war on terror to a packed moot court room in an event sponsored by the Floersheimer Center for Constitutional Democracy.

FRAUD AND FEDERALISM: Overlapping Jurisdiction, Overlapping Crimes explored an explosive issue that makes regular headlines: how federal, state, and local prosecutors compete to prosecute white collar crimes and how corporate actors attempt to shield themselves from prosecution. Prosecutors, white collar defense lawyers, corporate advisers, and academics shared their perspectives at this one-day conference. Mary Jo White (left), Debevoise & Plimpton and former US Attorney for the Southern District of NY, and Richard Owens, chief, securities fraud unit, Office of the US Attorney for the Southern District of NY, are shown here. The Securities Industry Association (SIA) and The Samuel and Ronnie Heyman Center on Corporate Governance cosponsored this event.

FAMILY LAW  A Cardozo audience witnessed a live Webcast of the New York Court of Appeals hearing oral arguments in four consolidated cases concerning same-sex marriage. The Program in Family Law, Policy, and Bioethics also presented a roundtable discussion featuring William Eskridge Jr. (above, right), John A. Garver Professor of Jurisprudence, Yale Law School and Suzanne Goldberg, professor, Rutgers School of Law–Newark, director, Gender and Sexuality Law Clinic and clinical professor, Columbia School of Law.
AROUND campus spring '06

MICROSOFT'S RUBIN The Uriel and Caroline Bauer Distinguished Visitor Program hosted Thomas Rubin (left, below), associate counsel of Microsoft Corporation, who spoke on “Combating Digital Piracy: The Limits of Technology.” He also spent time with students in Prof. Susan Crawford’s Privacy Law seminar and with Heyman Scholars.

LANGFAN WINNERS

In 2006, the annual Langfan Family Constitutional Oratorical Prize Competition topic was the constitutionality of NSA’s warrantless wiretaps. Winners were Adam Harris ’07, Mathew Miller ’06 (in photo), and Lauren Singman ’08.

FLAT TAX PROPOSAL

Cardozo’s Federalist Society hosted Steve Forbes, former presidential candidate and president of Forbes, Inc., who gave an entertaining talk on tax reform. He is a proponent of a simple, flat tax of 17 percent for everyone.

DEAL OR NO DEAL Sheetal Shetty ’06 (above) made headlines in spring ’06 when she won $375,000 on the NBC hit game show Deal or No Deal. After an arduous, month-long series of interviews, Sheetal was selected from among 20,000 contestants. Her family, including her mother, uncle, and grandmother, participated on the program as advisors. She has gone on to appear on The Big Idea with Donny Deutsch. Sheetal, shown here with her family at Cardozo’s 28th commencement at Avery Fisher Hall, is an assistant district attorney in Suffolk County, Long Island.

PROF. SRIVIDHYA RAGAVAN of the University of Oklahoma spoke on “Replacing Sticks with Carrots: Is the Enforcement Mechanism Under the WTO Working?” as part of the Intellectual Property Speaker Series.
**ATTORNEY GENERAL ELECTION DEBATE**
Students from Cardozo, Harvard Law, and 40 other law schools organized the first National Democratic Law Students Council. At the inaugural convention held at Harvard, Ken Yu, president of the Cardozo chapter, met with Democratic National Committee Chairman Howard Dean. At Cardozo, the new group cosponsored a pre-election forum with six candidates for NY State Attorney General, including the eventual winner, Andrew Cuomo.

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**LALSA Students** honored Nelson Castillo, President of the Hispanic National Bar Association, at the annual LALSA Festival. LALSA also cosponsored "Translating Art for Lawyers" with singer-songwriter Coral, Allison Mattera of Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts, and artist Roberto Parada. (From left) Enrique Acuña '06, Omar Almanzar '07, Nelson Castillo, Jennifer Viscarra '07, Karyne Muñoz '07, and Jonathan Goldstein '06

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**WOMEN CHIEFS** A symposium organized by CardozoWomen featured a panel discussion with women who lead in their state's highest courts. (From left) Dean David Rudenstine, Cardozo Board member and symposium organizer Bonnie Steingart '79, Chief Justice of the New Jersey Supreme Court Deborah T. Poritz, Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court Barbara J. Parient, Chief Judge of the State of New York Judith Kaye, and Chief Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court Jean Hoefer Toal

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**LAW REVUE** Each year, students parody campus life at this song- and dance-filled performance.

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**SUMMER 2007**
Seven Named to Cardozo Faculty

Over the past few years, the Law School has added highly talented and accomplished lawyers and academics to the faculty. In 2006, two received appointments and as of July 2007, five more have been named to permanent positions. According to Dean Rudenstine, "The faculty is receiving a significant boost with the recent addition of two lateral hires, two former US Supreme Court clerks, and individuals with important practical experience. Our faculty already possess exceptional breadth of learning and experience, and these new members will bring different perspectives, expand the avenues of scholarship, and bring fresh energy to the classroom."

Michelle Adams, professor of law, spent the past semester at Cardozo as a visitor teaching Federal Courts and Constitutional Law II. Prior to joining Cardozo, she taught at Seton Hall University School of Law for 12 years. A six-time nominee for professor of the year at Seton Hall, Adams said of her profession: "I take teaching seriously—it’s as important a part of being a professor as scholarship. It’s critical to prepare students well, and I enjoy the interaction with them, especially when they have that ‘light bulb’ moment. I ask my students lots of questions, try not to lecture at them too much, and put a lot of enthusiasm into it."

Adams is currently working on an article that considers whether local public school districts may use race as a factor in admitting students in order to achieve integration. Much of her scholarship has focused on the proper remedies for race-based harm and when it is appropriate for government to use race to remediate those harms. She has published several articles on civil rights and constitutional law, including "Radical Integration," California Law Review and "Causation and Responsibility in Tort and Affirmative Action," Texas Law Review.

In describing her move to Cardozo, Adams said: “This is a school that’s going places. I am in good company, and I think my field of study is something positive I can contribute to the institution.” She said she is impressed with the number and caliber of events held at the Law School and added, “It’s intellectually stimulating and I appreciate the chance to cross-pollinate my scholarship.” She will teach Constitutional Law I, Constitutional Law II, Federal Civil Rights Law, and Race, Law, and Remediation.

Adams is a graduate of Brown University and earned a J.D. from City University of New York Law School and an LL.M from Harvard University. She clerked for Magistrate Judge James C. Francis IV, US District Court, Southern District of NY, before becoming a staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society, Civil Appeals and Law Reform Unit in New York, where her work focused on race discrimination and federal housing law. She received the Public Interest Law Association Alumni Award for Public Service from CUNY Law School and the Staten Island NAACP Thurgood Marshall Award for Achievement in Civil Rights Litigation.

Anthony James Sebok, a noted scholar of tort law and legal philosophy who visited Cardozo in 1997, joins the faculty as professor of law and will teach various courses related to tort law, including insurance law. He said, “I am thrilled to be joining the faculty and look forward to meeting the students, working with old and new friends, and helping to develop Cardozo’s offerings in tort law.”

Prior to this appointment, Sebok was the centennial professor of law and the associate dean for research at Brooklyn.
ELEVEN PROFESSORS TO VISIT IN 2007–08, FIVE FROM EUROPE AND ISRAEL

Visiting professors from around the nation and the world will bring new and familiar faces to the Law School in 2007–08. Monika Hakimi, coming from the US Department of State, is continuing a two-year stint, and Uriel Procaccia from Hebrew University of Jerusalem and Renata Salecl from University of Ljubljana in Slovenia, who both have visited many times, will return. These three Cardozo “regulars” will teach International Human Rights and Criminal Law, Comparative Corporate Governance, and Psychoanalysis and the Law, respectively.

For 2007-08, overseas visitors will also include Arye Edrei from Tel Aviv University (Religion and the State), Otto Pfersmann from University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne (Comparative Constitutional Law, European Legal Theory), and William Schabas from National University of Ireland (International Criminal Law). Robert W. Bennett from Northwestern University School of Law (Contracts), Kevin Emerson Collins from Indiana University School of Law-Bloomington (Trademark, Advanced Patent), Solomon J. Greene from New York University School of Law (Property), and Ekow N. Yankah from the University of Illinois School of Law (Torts, Criminal Procedure, Jurisprudence) will visit as well.

Sebok has also written extensively on the differences between the European and American tort systems, and is currently writing a book with Mauro Bussani of the University of Trieste on comparative tort law that will be published by Oxford University Press. Sebok is the author of Legal Positivism in American Jurisprudence and several articles and essays on jurisprudence, as well as the coeditor of The Philosophy of Law: A Collection of Essays.

In 2005-06 Sebok was a Fellow in the Program in Law and Public Affairs at Princeton University, and in 1999 he was a Fellow at the American Academy of Berlin. After graduating from Yale Law School in 1991, he clerked for Chief Judge Edward N. Cahm of the US District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He also holds a B.A., magna cum laude, from Cornell University; an M. Phil. in politics from University of Oxford; and a Ph.D. in politics from Princeton University.

LE MOS AND MINZNER

APPOINTED ASSISTANT PROFESSORS IN AUGUST 2006

Margaret H. Lemos, a graduate of Brown University and New York University Law School, summa cum laude, specializes in constitutional law, federal courts, and civil and criminal procedure. She was a Bristow Fellow at the Office of the Solicitor General and a law clerk for Judge Kermit V. Lipez of the US Court of Appeals for the First Circuit and for US Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens.

Lemos said that working at the Solicitor General's office between clerkships was illuminating. “I'm interested in how the three branches of government interact with each other on constitutional matters, and the Solicitor General's office offers a great vantage point. I got to see how the government's litigation position takes shape, and really is shaped from the district court level all the way up to the Supreme Court.”
When asked about her clerkship with Supreme Court Justice Stevens, Lemos said, “He is modest, kind, and low key despite his accomplishments and vast knowledge of the law, and my time with him reminded me that one can be important without being self-important.”

Lemos teaches Civil Procedure and Constitutional Law I and said she enjoyed her first year at Cardozo, especially her eager students who have more hands in the air than she can call on. In addition, she appreciates that her colleagues and fellow junior faculty, with whom she has frequent scholarly exchanges in the halls and at monthly workshops, are smart, supportive, and friendly.

Lemos’s current scholarship is focused on the procedures for constitutional decision making, in particular how the facts that inform or determine the content of constitutional law are found. Before coming to Cardozo, she was a Furman Fellow and program coordinator at New York University School of Law, and in law school she was senior notes editor of the New York University Law Review. Her articles have been published there as well as in the Texas Law Review and the Supreme Court Review.

Max Minzer was an Assistant US Attorney in the Eastern District of NY, where he served in the public integrity, narcotics, and general crimes sections from 2002 to 2006. He said his service as a prosecutor taught him to think deeply about legal problems and added, “I bring that real-world experience to the classroom.” He teaches Civil Procedure and Criminal Law. He earned a B.A. from Brown University, magna cum laude, and a J.D. from Yale Law School, where he was notes editor for the Yale Law Journal and a Coker Fellow.

Minzer is currently doing a statistical analysis of when wiretaps succeed or fail. He majored in math as an undergraduate and said the field was excellent preparation for becoming a lawyer. “My legal research has an empirical bent as a result of my mathematical training,” he said. After graduation from Yale, he clerked for Hon. Pamela Rymer of the US Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and was an associate at Davis Polk & Wardwell in New York, where he worked on the Arthur Anderson prosecution and gained an insider’s view of large-scale litigation.

Minzer said that growing up in Albuquerque exposed him to how federal, state, and tribal governments resolve disputes and interact, and he has developed expertise in Indian law. His legal publications include “Treating Tribes Differently: Civil Jurisdiction Inside and Outside Indian Country” in the Nevada Law Journal and “Gagged but not Bound: The Ineffectiveness of the Rules Governing Judicial Campaign Speech” in the UMKC Law Review. He also has published articles on mathematics.

Alexander A. Reinert, an assistant professor of law as of July 2007, comes to Cardozo with experience in trial and appellate-level civil rights litigation from his practice at Koob and Magoogaghan, where for six years he focused on prisoners’ rights, employment discrimination, and disability rights. For his work as lead counsel for Elmashlaby v. Ashcroft, he was a finalist in 2006 for the Trial Lawyers for Public Justice Trial Lawyer of the Year Award. He holds an A.B. from Brown University and a J.D. from New York University, where he graduated magna cum laude. He is the recipient of many law school honors and prizes, including the Maurice Goodman Memorial Prize for outstanding scholarship and character. He is a member of Order of the Coif.

After graduating from law school, Reinert held two clerkships, first with the Hon. Harry T. Edwards, D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals, and then with US Supreme Court Justice Stephen G. Breyer. He said, “It is hard to put a value on how important those experiences were to me. Both judges are committed to finding the right answer.
from the law's perspective rather than from a personal or moral standpoint." He added, "Justice Breyer is an amazing writer who uses his own voice in ways that are compelling, and that example has helped me immensely in my own writing."

Reinert also worked as a research assistant and as a litigation consultant on occupational and health issues and has co-authored several publications on asbestos and epidemiology in the legal arena. His undergraduate major in biology and his background in public health and scientific issues inform his scholarship. He is currently working on a paper about the intersection of science, law, and models of truth-seeking within scientific and legal disciplines. He is also completing a paper on the Fourth Amendment and the requirement of individualized suspicion.

At Cardozo, Reinert will teach Rights of Prisoners and Detainees, Elements, Constitutional Law II, and Criminal Law. "I am looking forward to joining a great faculty," he said. "I will have tremendous colleagues who will push me in new directions. I also am excited to get in the classroom with Cardozo students."

Two Join Clinical Faculty

Elizabeth Goldman, a 1990 Cardozo graduate and an adjunct at Cardozo since 2001, was named a clinical associate professor of law and will direct the Securities Arbitration Clinic. As an adjunct, she supervised in the Clinic and taught courses on securities arbitration and pretrial practice. She served as senior counsel in the Division of Enforcement of the US Securities and Exchange Commission in the Northeast Regional office in New York, where she spent seven years prosecuting federal securities law violations.

Goldman was awarded the US Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman's Award for Excellence. She is also the recipient of awards from US Attorney Rosalind Mauskopf and US Attorney Loretta Lynch for assistance in the criminal prosecutions of more than 100 individuals and corporate entities in significant cases involving federal securities law violations. She began her career as a law clerk for US District Court Judge Clarence C. Newcomer in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania and then joined Kelley Drye & Warren, LLP, where she worked on commercial and securities arbitrations.

Carlton Smith, director of the Tax Clinic since 2003, has been appointed clinical associate professor of law. Smith, who holds a B.A. and J.D. from Harvard University, was a partner at Roberts & Holland, where he worked for 15 years representing taxpayers in controversies with the IRS, New York State, and New York City. Upon graduation from law school, he clerked for Hon. Arthur L. Nims III of the US Tax Court. He is concurrently an adjunct professor teaching civil tax litigation and procedure at New York University School of Law.

THREE PUBLISH SIX NEW BOOKS
During the spring, the Cardozo community celebrated the publication of new books by faculty members at a reception held by Dean David Rudenstein. Shown holding their books are, from left, David Gray Carlson with A Commentary to Hegel's Science of Logic, and Hegel's Theory of the Subject, which he edited, both published by Palgrave Macmillan; Peter Goodrich with The Laws of Love: A Brief Historical and Practical Manual, also published by Palgrave Macmillan, and Law, Text, Terror: Essays for Pierre Legendre, which he edited with Lior Barshack and Anton Schutz, published by Routledge-Cavendish; and Rabbi J. David Bleich with Bioethical Dilemmas: A Jewish Perspective, Vol. II, published by Targum Press, and Contemporary Halakhic Problems, Vol. V, published by Targum/Feldheim.
PROFESSIONAL HONORS:
The National Law Journal named Prof. Barry C. Scheck one of the 100 most influential lawyers in America. He was cited for groundbreaking litigation in the field of DNA technology, cofounding the Innocence Project, freeing 180 wrongfully convicted people—14 of them on death row—and encouraging other law schools, journalism schools, and public defenders to establish innocence clinics. He and Innocence Project cofounder Peter Neufeld were honored by the New York Council of Defense Lawyers with the Norman S. Ostrow Award, given for outstanding contribution to the defense of liberty and the preservation of individual rights.

Paul Verkuil received the 2005–06 New York Fellows of the American Bar Association Outstanding Achievement Award, presented at the Fellows luncheon seminar in February 2007. The award recognized Verkuil’s work in establishing the pro bono program at Boies, Schiller & Flexner, where he is of counsel. His new book, to be published by Cambridge University Press in September, is Outsourcing Sovereignty: Why Privatization of Government Functions Threatens Democracy and What We Can Do about It. The book, a chapter of which was excerpted in a previous issue of Cardozo Life, looks at the process of using private government contractors to perform essential or inherent functions in the military and civilian sectors of government.

Marci Hamilton has been named both to the National Advisory Board for the Sexual Abuse Prevention Network and to the Advisory Board of the Awareness Center. She is also a founding member of PA CARES, an organization devoted to changing the laws of Pennsylvania to better protect children. For the coming academic year, she will be a visiting professor at Princeton University, and the Martin and Kathleen Crane Fellow in the Program in Law and Public Affairs. In spring 2007, she testified before the Delaware Senate in support of legislation, which passed, to abolish the statute of limitations in civil actions involving childhood sexual abuse.

Hamilton is working on two First Amendment cases that focus on clergy abuse and religious land use issues, one before the Wisconsin Supreme Court and one before the United States Court of Appeals in the Ninth Circuit.

In the spring, she signed a contract with Cambridge University Press for How to Deliver Us from Evil, which looks at the Catholic Church’s clergy abuse crisis, claiming that it teaches us that our laws are inadequate to protect children from childhood sexual abuse. The paperback edition of God vs. the Gavel: Religion and the Rule of Law, her award-winning book, is being published in June 2007. Her

In February, the Annenberg Foundation made a $10 million endowment gift in support of the activities of the Center for Global Communication Studies, which Monroe Price directs. The Programme in Comparative Media Law and Policy at the Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, Oxford University, announced the launch of the Monroe E. Price International Media Law Moot Court Competition, to encourage interest in international standards of protection of media freedom and to encourage interest in media defense work among students worldwide. The finals of the first competition will take place at Oxford in March 2008.


In addition to conferences at the Annenberg Center, Price organized the following events during 2006–07: Influencing Outcomes: Communications Research and Global and Regional Policy Transformations at Central European University, Budapest; Modernisation, Modernity and the Media in China, at the China Media Centre, University of Westminster, UK; Collaborative and Networked Approaches to Global Communications Policy Research and Reform, in Bellagio, Italy; and Soft Power and Spheres of Influence Conference at the National University of Singapore.

Michel Rosenfeld was named a member of the academic committee for selecting the 2007 recipient of the Holberg International Memorial Prize in Norway. The prize, which this year is more than $700,000, is given for outstanding scholarly work in the academic fields of the arts and humanities, social science, law, and theology. Established by the Norwegian parliament, it is awarded annually by the board of the Ludvig Holberg Memorial Fund.


In spring 2007, Rosenfeld gave the H. Malcolm MacDonald Lecture in Constitutional and Comparative Law at the University of Texas, Austin. He spoke on “Comparing Judicial Uses of Proportionality in War on Terror Cases.” In January, at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law, he spoke on “Comparing Constitutional Review by the European Court of Justice and the US Supreme Court.” He was a panelist at the Global Constitutionalism Symposium at Stanford Law School in February, speaking on “Constitution Making in the European Union.” At the International Roundtable on Constitution and Culture, held in Italy at the University of Bologna—Ravenna Branch, he gave the concluding remarks, speaking on “Constitutional Culture, Pluralism and Tolerance.” As a panelist at the Roe Green Foundation Conference on Sacred Violence: Religion and Terrorism, held at Case Western Reserve University School of Law, he spoke on “Responses to Religious Extremism.”

In fall 2006, Rosenfeld presented “Proportionality in Comparative Constitutional Law” at the Columbia University School of Law Colloquium on Comparative Law; was a panelist at the IX International Forum on Constitutional Justice, co-organized by Constitutional Court of the Russian Federation and the Venice Commission, held in Moscow; and was a panelist at “Democracy, Separation of Powers and the Fight Against Terrorism” at the University of Geneva, in November, speaking on “The Way Forward: A Comparative Constitutional Perspective.”

Susanne Stone has several prestigious visits planned. She will be Caroline Zelaznik Gruss and Joseph S. Gruss Visiting Chair in


**FACULTY briefs**

**Talmudic Civil Law** at the University of Pennsylvania Law School in fall 2007, and visiting chair in American Jewish Studies at Princeton University in spring 2008. She is coeditor-in-chief of *Dinid Israel, A Journal of Jewish Law*, in collaboration with Tel Aviv Law School, and is on the editorial board of the *Jewish Quarterly Review*. She wrote the introduction and was editor of "Text, Tradition, and Reason in Comparative Perspective," a symposium volume of *Cardozo Law Review*.

Among Stone’s several speaking engagements in spring 2007 were "Between Revenge and Reconciliation: Rabbinic Views on Historical Justice," the Kisilevsky Lecture in Jewish Law, at McGill University, Montreal; she spoke on "Jewish Law in the American Legal Setting" at the Institute for Advanced Judicial Studies, in Jerusalem, and "Genesis and the Problem of Evil" at Yale Law School. She was also a commentator on a panel at the annual meeting of Association of American Law Schools for the Jewish law section.

**Ellen Yaroshfsky** was named cochair of the Ethics, Gideon, and Professionalism Committee of the American Bar Association’s criminal justice section. In the fall, she spoke on ethical issues for lawyers at several venues, including "Potential Criminal Exposure of Attorneys" at the Professional Responsibility and Risk Management Conference, in New York; "Attorney-Client Privilege, Inadvertent Disclosure and Document Retention" at the Jackson Lewis Women’s Employment Law Conference in New Jersey; and "Ethical Issues for Intellectual Property Lawyers" at The Copyright Society of the USA.

In the spring she was on a CLE panel discussing "When Does Good Lawyering Become Criminal Conduct?" at the City Bar Center.

**PAPERS, PANELS, SPEECHES**

As a member of the New York County Lawyers Association (NYCLA) Justice Center task force, Paris Baldacci drafted protocols for judges assisting pro se litigants in motions and trials in New York City Housing Court, which were adopted by the NYCLA executive committee. In the spring, he presented "Recent Developments in Litigating Functional-Family Tenancy Succession Cases" for legal services and legal aid attorneys, and lectured on "Ethics in Housing Court" at the annual meeting of the NY State Bar Association. He has appeared twice on public access television under the auspices of *Tenants and Neighbors*, a tenant advocacy organization, to answer callers’ questions on tenants rights.

**Barton Beebe** gave a faculty workshop at Hofstra School of Law on "An Empirical Analysis of the Multifactor Tests for Trademark Infringement."


In the spring, **Lester Brickman** spoke on "The Ethics of Diagnosis" at the Mealey’s Conference on Asbestos Medicine, in Philadelphia. At a fall 2006 Mealey’s Conference, he spoke on "The Mass Screening of Silica & Asbestos Claims: The Fallout from Judge Jack’s Decision." Also in the fall, he presented "Mass Fraud in Mass Torts?" at a Federalist Society event at the National Press Club in Washington, DC and spoke on "Latest Adaptations in the Plaintiff’s Bar Business Model" at the US Chamber of Commerce Institute for Legal Reform, Annual Legal Reform Summit. At the AILABA conference on Asbestos Litigation in the 21st Century, in New Orleans, his topic was asbestos screenings, focusing on ethical and/or criminal violations, the role that screenings have played in fueling asbestos litigation, and whether screenings are "dead or just napping." At the AEI-Brookings First Annual Judicial Symposium on Civil Justice Issues, attended by more than 200 judges, he spoke on "Toxic Torts and Mass Screening."

**Susan Crawford** was named to the Yale Law School alumni executive committee. During the spring semester, she spoke at the Women in Technology Summit at Harvard Law School, on "Net Neutrality" at The Tank in New York, and on "Net Neutrality and the Media Industry" at the MBA Media & Entertainment Conference at Columbia University. In January, she was a panelist on "Will the Internet
Restructure Telephony?” at the AALS 2007 Annual Meeting, in Washington, DC. Last fall she spoke on “Many Increasing Returns” at Ultrabroadband Networks Conference at Columbia Institute for Tele-Information, on “Regulation” at the Yale Information Society Project, and on “Complex Regulation” last August at the 2006 IP Scholars Conference in Berkeley, CA.


Myriam Gilles was named to the executive committee of The Class Action Preservation Project of the Public Justice Foundation, the broad goals of which are to challenge class action waivers that are increasingly inserted in standard-form contracts and that prevent disputes from being litigated in aggregate form in a public judicial forum.

Melanie Leslie and Stewart E. Sterk cowrote Concepts and Insights: Trusts and Estates to be published by Foundation Press. Leslie’s article “Common Law, Common Sense: Fiduciary Standards and Trustee Identity” was published in Cardozo Law Review.

Jeanne Schroeder contributed an essay to Martha Stewart’s Legal Troubles, edited by Joan MacLeod Heminway and published by Carolina Academic Press.

Paul Shupack was on a panel, offered for CLE credit, on “Governing and Legal Issues of Cooperative Apartments in New York.”

Peter Tillers presented a talk on quantification of the reasonable doubt standard at the evidence colloquium at Brooklyn Law School. Tillers’ paper on reasonable doubt was published in Law, Probability and Risk. Prof. James Franklin (an Australian mathematician) and Judge Jack Weinstein (a New York trial judge) are cited in Tillers’ paper.

In addition to his activities on behalf of The Heyman Center, Eric Pan moderated a panel cosponsored by the New York City Bar Association on capital markets and security law reform at the Beijing, China office of LeBoeuf, Lamb, Greene & MacRae LLP.


Later that month, he lectured on Vichy at the University of California, Irvine and on The Merchant of Venice at Northwestern University. He also lectured on Shakespeare in Denmark, Italy, and the United Kingdom. In May, Weisberg was a guest lecturer and researcher at Berlin’s Zentrum für Literatur- und Kulturforschung, speaking on “Risks of Programmatic Destabilization of the Good Code.” He also visited Humboldt Law School to speak on The Merchant of Venice. Later in the month, he lectured on law and literature and on Vichy law and the Holocaust at the University of Paris-X at Nanterre.

There was a symposium in June on Weisberg’s work in law and literature at Sciences Po in Paris. In December 2006, he completed his service on the oversight committee for the administration of Holocaust-related restitution in Paris. While on the committee, he saw more than $40 million paid out to the victims (or their heirs) of Vichy banking spoliation.
Monroe Price was dean of Cardozo for nearly 10 years, and is known throughout the Law School community as a most creative thinker, a prolific writer and scholar, and someone with interests and expertise that span Indian affairs, legal history, media law, art history, and more. Now, he is, as noted by Dean David Rudenstine, the first Cardozo professor to hold a joint appointment. In 2004, Professor Price was named director of the Center for Global Communication Studies (CGCS) and adjunct full professor at the Annenberg School for Communication at the University of Pennsylvania.
We met on a warm day at Monroe Price's apartment on the Upper West Side of Manhattan, where the large open windows let in the breezes as well as the street noises of this busy neighborhood. Price and his wife, Aimee, an art historian, have lived in the apartment for all but two years since moving to New York in 1982 when Price was appointed Cardozo's dean. It very much reflects the energy, comfort, and years of globetrotting the couple have enjoyed. The old world apartment contains an eclectic collection of books and art work. Price said, "We've been collecting for 35 years. Aimee says it's an 'assortment.' There's a lot of social realism and work from California gathered when I taught at UCLA. It represents a lot of my own activities. There is stuff reflecting my interest in Hungary. There are a lot of Russian materials from my time there. I collect family photo albums—black and white from around the world."

Price, who was born in Vienna, came to the United States as an infant in 1939, sailing on the Queen Mary with his family. He grew up in Cincinnati after spending one year in New York and three in Macon, GA. Upon receiving a B.A. from Yale in 1960, he wanted to pursue a career in journalism but decided to go to law school for a military deferment. "For the first time in my life, I excelled. And I thought this is really amazing. I liked legal studies. It was interesting and I was good at it. For that reason, I got on the treadmill—if you will—of the legal academy." Following his graduation with honors from Yale Law School, Price clerked for Associate Justice Potter Stewart of the US Supreme Court and became an assistant to Secretary of Labor W. Willard Wirtz.

In describing his appointment and role at Penn's Annenberg School for Communications where he is spending three of every four semesters, Price said, "The Center for Global Communications Studies is to make graduate education in communications special. Graduate students and faculty ... [in] the field should have a sense of what's going on in China, India, the Middle East." In addition, he explains, "the question is how to make a dialogue among disciplines and between Annenberg and other parts of the university."

Price uses his work in Iraq as an example. According to him, the Iraqi broadcasting scene is wildly diverse and lightly regulated. Annenberg's partner in London, The Stanhope Centre for Communications Policy Research, was commissioned by the Iraqi media regulatory commission to look at how broadcasters and the media function in the current complex political system and to suggest reforms. The final report, an essay about Iraqi media, and a foreword by Price are being published in the Cardozo Arts and Entertainment Law Journal (Volume 25, number 1).

At Penn, Price teaches one seminar a semester and is always looking for ways to collaborate with Cardozo. For example, Annenberg and Cardozo have cooperated in strengthening the Center for Media and Communications Studies at Central European University (CEU) in Budapest. In 2005, a conference on hate speech was cosponsored by both institutions. "There was one session at Cardozo and one at CEU," explains Price. Annenberg has built on the framework established by Cardozo's program at Oxford University and redesigned the summer institute there to widen its focus. This summer young regulators, Ph.D. students, and lawyers will gather for Technology and New Themes in Media Regulation.

He interconnects his two appointments in several other ways. One is through research assistants. Inna Barmash '07, who was head of the Squadron Program this year, also worked on the Iraq study. The Programme in Media Studies
at Oxford has now been transformed into an Annenberg/Oxford/Cardozo program, and Price had a Cardozo student help run it last summer. Jennifer Blecher, who just completed her first year at Cardozo, will go to Jordan this summer as part of a three-year effort by Annenberg to build the program in media law and policy at Al Isra University.

It's not only students who benefit from the dual aspects of Price's work. He invites Cardozo faculty to participate, too. Prof. Justin Hughes, director of Cardozo's Intellectual Property Law Program, participated in a summer 2006 workshop that is part of an ongoing research project in China led by Price. A group of international scholars is working with the communications department at the University of China, looking at the media in light of the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

Price was appointed dean at Cardozo when the Law School had barely graduated three classes. He arrived having been a faculty member at UCLA Law School, which was then about the age that Cardozo is now—30. According to Price, “The world is divided into law schools created before and after World War II. ... UCLA is a postwar law school and that marks it.” However, UCLA experienced a history very different from that of Cardozo because, explains Price, there was only one other major law school in Los Angeles—University of Southern California. UCLA Law also offered free tuition and was part of an academically rich California public university.

In reminiscing about his early impressions and ambitions for Cardozo, he said that for him the big question was, “How does the School distinguish itself in a city with 13 other law schools? I saw two problems. One was too much effort was spent trying to mirror Columbia or what I call having a fascination with a ‘museum’ of American legal education. And the other was how to innovate nationally rather than thinking only in terms of New York’s highly competitive environment.” He sought solutions that would be especially helpful to Cardozo’s faculty, whom he found “extraordinarily talented, ... highly aspirational, and ambitious.

“A problem that plagued me throughout my tenure was convincing the faculty that I was doing OK things, and getting the University to support my strategy,” said Price. He enumerated several elements to his plan. First, he wanted to “give the faculty individually the sense that they could do things and ... we wouldn’t say no.” Another was coming up with a way to get Cardozo known to law firms. He worked also, quite successfully, to position the Law School as part of the vanguard of legal education. To develop closer ties to the judiciary, he instituted the Alexander Fellows Program, which places Cardozo students as interns in judge’s chambers. He supported the founding of a journal in law and literature and

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established a “summer institute” that would give students firsthand experience in key New York industries. His energy and ideas were making a difference in the public’s perception of Cardozo; during his tenure the Law School was named “up and coming” by USNews & World Report.

But the clearest example of the kind of thinking Price engaged in as dean was his desire to find areas of specialization that would be, according to him, “exciting in New York and exciting for our students ... that would mark us.” Price wanted to see Cardozo develop intellectual specializations around areas of the law rather than having students learn just general skills. Students would then concentrate their study in their desired specialty.

“The focus on the entertainment industry—or intellectual property—came from this conception of a bright Cardozo future,” said Price. Since the Law School began offering students the opportunity to concentrate in an area of specialization, a growing number have chosen this option. In 2006, approximately a third of all Cardozo J.D. candidates graduated with a concentration—half of them in intellectual property.

Finally, the challenge Price faced was how to package these efforts and help push Cardozo to the forefront in the minds of its various publics—especially prospective students.

He explained, “A medical school can say ‘we cure cancer.’ Was there an equivalent at a law school? We were trying to develop passion and support, and the clinics (like Barry Sheck’s Innocence Project) were part of that.”

According to Price, “Clinics were definitely touch and go then. Both the faculty and the University were concerned because they were expensive, they took on what seemed to be scary cases, they did not seem to be efficient in terms of teaching. I feel very proud of supporting clinics,” said Price. “They were something that had emotion and passion attached to them.”

When asked about other accomplishments of which he was proud, Price pointed to the founding in the early 1990s of The Samuel and Ronnie Heyman Center on Corporate Governance. “It was a really important issue in American society: How corporations were run. Sam Heyman was on the Cardozo Boad, so we could get support. And, given that we were in New York, it seemed an area we could pioneer and get behind.”

When asked how he would describe Cardozo today, he called it “a kind of bipolar law school” that provides a fine education, with a sustained commitment to the intellect, one that offers interdisciplinary courses like law and literature as well as skills training. “You have the faculty holding Ph.D.s on one hand and the clinicians on the other.”

Price still seems intrigued and bothered by the question of how to distinguish Cardozo’s academic program so that it stands out in the minds of prospective students. “People choose to go to graduate school because of a particular professor or the quality of a program. So how do we do the same?” As he continues to grapple with the question, he is trying to determine how you can offer law students what he calls “an alternative architecture to law school.” He explains that students would be able to choose a progression or “an informal pathway through law school, with a clinic, a seminar, a journal, and a career path.”

Another question for him is: How does Cardozo become international? “That was one of my aspirations for the Law School that has partially succeeded.... I would like Cardozo to develop first-year curriculum opportunities for students to think internationally so they are not fixed in a particular way of thinking and then have to change it.... This is a very hard thing to do—to alter the culture of the Law School or any institution. Now I hope to play somewhat the same game at Annenberg.”

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Cardozo Turns Thirty
Sporting a Top-to-Bottom Renovation

Interior staircases now bring in light and enhance community interaction.
This past fall, students returned to a beautifully renovated Cardozo. Among the many improvements was the third floor, transformed by the new Kathryn O. and Alan C. Greenberg Center for Student Life, given in honor of Dean David Rudenstine. Featuring a café and comfortable student lounge for study and relaxation, the center is a place to gather with friends. The lounge area has cherry wood paneling, recessed lighting, contemporary furniture, and huge new windows flooding the rooms with natural light, making this a popular destination. The room is also used for special receptions, dinners, and public events. The newly enlarged café, decorated with bright fabrics, bead board, cork tile floors, and banquets, can accommodate many students and offers expanded food service. >>
On other floors new seminar rooms, reconfigured space, and handsome wooden lockers for students were added, as were internal staircases from the second through the fifth floors to ease elevator congestion and enhance interaction among students, faculty, and administration. In summer 2006, Yeshiva University’s general counsel moved from Cardozo to the University’s uptown Wilf campus, freeing up the space for new, attractive faculty offices. Paul Segal Associates is the architect for this most recent project.

According to Dean Rudenstine, “This is a wonderful moment in the life of Cardozo. We can say, unequivocally, that our physical facilities now match the excellence of Cardozo’s faculty, programs, students, and alumni.”

In recent years, Cardozo has completed nearly $50 million in capital improvements, including a new Jacob Burns Moot Court Room, and enhanced Law Library, which occupies four floors, the large lobby, and a new residence hall. There has been continuous modernization of classrooms, all of which have new furnishings and advanced, multimedia equipment. During summer 2007, building projects include new windows for all floors, a refurbished admissions office, and new elevator cabs.
A new faculty lounge has views down Fifth Avenue.

The library offers many wonderful rooms for studying.

The Jacob Burns Moot Court Room seats 240 for conferences and special events.
Judge Greenaway Asks 2006 Graduates to Make Promises

For Cardozo's 28th Commencement in 2006, Judge Joseph A. Greenaway, Jr., United States District Court, District of New Jersey, presented a novel idea to the 364 men and women receiving J.D. degrees and the 66 receiving LL.M. degrees. He proposed, and the graduates took, a unique oath, similar in part to the Hippocratic oath taken by doctors.

Judge Greenaway with his student clerks, (from left) Marsha Indych, Tracey Agyemang, and Melissa Steedle Bogad

Judge Greenaway, who was appointed to the federal bench at the age of 39 by President Clinton in 1996, has a longstanding relationship with the Law School. Cardozo students work in his chambers as Alexander Fellows; he hires many Cardozo graduates as clerks; and in fall 2006, he became a member of the adjunct faculty. Judge Greenaway holds a B.A. from Columbia University and a J.D. from Harvard University, where he was an Earl Warren Legal Scholar. We offer here an edited part of Judge Greenaway's speech.
During the graduation ceremony from medical school, graduating doctors commit themselves to the profession by taking the Hippocratic oath. I chose the Hippocratic oath as a point of comparison today because I believe it takes a more humane and practical approach to the lifelong obligations and responsibilities that doctors have and that we, as members of the bar, should consider and, I believe, embrace.

The essence of the Hippocratic Oath's first covenant is the obligation to remember the past, but, more important, to remember that each doctor is, and shall always remain, a teacher.

Should not each of us, as we progress, make a commitment to each other and the profession to help train, inform, elucidate, warn, if necessary, those who come after us? A vital part of each lawyer's growth, not solely as a new lawyer, is to be both mentor and mentee. This type of obligation to our fellow attorneys should be part of our vow to the profession, whether spoken or not.

The last two covenants of the Hippocratic oath are in my view worthy of reflection. They are:

"I will remember that I remain a member of society, with special obligations to all my fellow human beings, those of sound mind and body as well as the infirm.

If I do not violate this oath, may I enjoy life and art, respected while I live and remembered with affection thereafter.

May I always act so as to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I long experience the joy of healing those who seek my help."

It enunciates a commitment more broad than we envision or employ as our own in the legal profession. When each of you is sworn in as a member of the bar, the crux of the oath is your vow, our vow, to support and defend the constitution of the United States. But should we ask more of ourselves as we make our foray into professional life?

Imagine our own profession if each of us required of ourselves that we remember and act upon "the special obligations we have to all of our fellow human beings," not just those with whom we share the relationship of attorney/client. We toil in a profession where the best and the brightest work on the most complex problems of those who can afford our talents, rather than those that need us most.

What a revolutionary notion it would be if lawyers as a profession contemplated "enjoy[ing] life and art," as well as the respect of one's neighbors.

The last sentence of the oath is the most telling. No one would quarrel with the notion that we should preserve the finest traditions of our calling—truth, justice, fairness. But when was the last time you spoke to someone in our profession and the term "joy" was used at all? For me, it's been quite some time, but who can change that? Only we can.

You may be asking, do I suggest that we, as lawyers, take the Hippocratic oath? Of course not, but let me suggest that, with these principles in mind, each of you, members of the class of 2006, stand and repeat the following oath with me and to each other.

"I do solemnly swear that I shall be civil to my colleagues at the bar, conduct myself honorably with clients, the court and all whom I come in contact with, as a member of the bar, and that I shall uphold the great traditions of the bar to act as a teacher and mentor to those who come after me and to never forget that the essence of the practice of law is the pursuit of truth, justice, and fairness."

As we part today, and you commence your professional lives, keep these words from the Talmud in mind: "In every age, there comes a time when leadership suddenly comes forth to meet the needs of the hour. And so there is no man who does not find his time, and there is no hour that does not have its leader."

Class of 2006. This is your time to lead. Good luck.
During the January 2007 winter break, 11 students of the Cardozo Public Interest Law Students Association spent a week volunteering for legal organizations in the Gulf Coast area in a partnership with the Student Hurricane Network. They joined other law students in a nationwide effort to support the rehabilitation of the area legal system and to ensure that those affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita receive needed legal assistance. Nine Cardozo students worked at the Mississippi Center for Justice in Biloxi and two at the Innocence Project in New Orleans. Their trip was made possible in part by donations from the Cardozo administration, alumni, and faculty. They reported on their activities through a blog at http://pilsa.org/blog; what follows is a selection of edited entries.

MONDAY: BILOXI
Joya Cohen '08

This morning, we headed over to the Mississippi Center for Justice (MCJ) in Biloxi. The office we are working at has been set up exclusively for Katrina recovery and is staffed full time by three attorneys. The Mississippi state government was granted funding by the federal government, but that money has not been distributed to residents. The MCJ was interested in learning why this was, and the detective work involved is our current mission.

Biloxi has a large Vietnamese population; after orientation, our group went to a Vietnamese noodle

At the Mississippi Center for Justice (clockwise from top left), Supervising Attorney John Jopling with Julia Davis '09, Katrina Goodwin '08, Amy Kapoor '09, Daniel Forman '08, Lena Katsnelson '09, Erin Pollack '09, Alisha Williams '09, Michael Kleinman '09, and Joya Cohen '08.
shop for lunch. We left flyers there in Vietnamese about upcoming workshops and programs. After lunch, we finally began our mission: to go door to door in the communities of Biloxi. We were to take a survey to find out about local awareness and participation in FEMA and related agencies.

To get to this area, we drove down to the point of Biloxi. The aftermath was still apparent: homes destroyed, piles of trash that were clearly the emptied contents of entire homes, and FEMA trailer parks. Everyone had an opinion (generally negative) of FEMA. The residents spoke of the problems with their homeowners insurance conflicting with their ability to recover from FEMA, but being insufficient to rebuild. Some were financially devastated and unable to fully recover. Others were getting back on their feet, but at the cost of their savings—money they had put aside for retirement and their kids' college education. As one woman explained, what they thought they needed, they learned they could live without.

**TUESDAY: BILOXI**
Daniel Forman '08

We reached the last house on the street and knocked on the door. As we turned around, we saw, across the street, a man rushing out of his house in our direction. He brusquely asked, "What are you doing over there?"
I informed him that we were taking a survey. He then launched into a tirade about the owner of the house on whose door we just knocked. We asked if the man would like to take our survey and let him vent for a few more minutes, thanked him, and continued on our way.

I am a student in Cardozo's Mediation Clinic. In the early stages of our training, we learned how important it is in dispute resolution that a party be given time and space to vent, which our survey process does. Our job is to listen. I think a greater mediation project and facilitative dialogue, run by an organization like the MCJ, would help to mend some of the damage caused by the bumpy recovery efforts in the community.

**WEDNESDAY: BILOXI**
Mike Kleinman '09

Today we spoke with William Tanzy,* a young man who currently lives in a trailer with his grandparents on their property in Gulfport, just steps from their hurricane-damaged home. The Tanzys were denied both FEMA aid and the Mississippi Phase I Homeowner's Grant. William sleeps on the cramped couch of the one-bedroom trailer.

The Tanzys have now been in their trailer for almost a year and a half while rebuilding their home. They have made a lot of progress, rebuilding the roof and the interior, and purchasing furniture. Although frustrated, William says that his grandmother keeps the family motivated, encouraging them to go forward.

William is 22 years old. He is working, caring for his grandparents, and learning the ins and outs of rebuilding a home.

Finally, we gave the Tanzys flyers directing them to the Center for Justice, as it may be possible for them to appeal the denial of their grant application or to partake in the Phase II allocation.

**MONDAY: NEW ORLEANS**
Brian Baum '08 and Laura Barandes '08

Today was a start. We met with the Orleans Parish evidence clerk and worked out a plan of action with the Orleans Innocence Project people, whose kindness and enthusiasm is infectious. We ate a fantastic breakfast and then drafted an evidence search memo, search affidavits, etc. It's all part of the long struggle to determine the existence of something—anything—that could emerge from the flooded basements of this city's criminal courthouse and free an innocent man.

The city is beautiful and rotted. The colors are vibrant, the mold is deep, and the people move with a

*Names changed to protect identities.
slow case. The public schools never functioned properly before the hurricane, and it’s no different now. Many of the cops wear jumpsuits—people stay out of their way. The French Quarter is clean, Canal Street is clean, and the surrounding streets have man-sized potholes. They say it was always like this. There is a Super-Wal-Mart with its own McDonald’s, dialysis station, and hair salon. There are undamaged buildings in the heart of the city that remain shuttered. “For Sale” signs abound. It is beautiful, empty, and sad.

Brian Baum ’08 and Laura Barandes ’08 on the steps of Orleans Parish Criminal Courthouse

TUESDAY: NEW ORLEANS
Brian Baum and Laura Barandes

The coroner’s forensic lab is a flooded wreck—its investigators now work out of a small building sandwiched between shotgun shacks with moss growing out of their eaves. The police department’s central evidence and property division finds itself housed in a small trailer on the abandoned lot of what was once a truck weigh station.

WEDNESDAY: NEW ORLEANS
Brian Baum and Laura Barandes

Also yesterday, the head of the Orleans Parish public defenders unit was jailed on contempt charges when no one from his office showed up in a juvenile courtroom. Apparently, the lawyer who was supposed to be there had to juggle four courts simultaneously. That didn’t seem to matter to the judge, who left the courthouse, drove over to the defenders’ offices, sent a sheriff’s deputy inside to find the chief defender, and after bringing the fellow back to court, sentenced him to 36 days in jail. After he’d been in lockup several hours, a higher court stayed the order.

This city’s judicial system needs a massive infusion of funds and expertise to sift through the literally hundreds of boxes of unmarked and corroded evidence, not just for post-conviction exonerations, but also those cases where people are being held awaiting trial while the evidence of the crimes for which they are charged has not been found. But that’s a whole other issue.

THURSDAY: NEW ORLEANS
Brian Baum and Laura Barandes

Since January 1, there have been more murders in New Orleans than there are days in this new year. Leaving the D.A.’s office, we waded into a crowded protest outside city hall. Anderson Cooper was standing next to us. An old white lady in pearls stood alongside a young mother whose T-shirt proclaimed her residency in the lower 9th ward. A sign demanding the National Guard leave Iraq and enter New Orleans fought for airspace with another advocating the payment of loans to small businesses.

Locals give different estimates for how long it will take to rebuild the city, anywhere from one to several decades. But uniformly, however expert or amateur the prognosis, it always ends with the resigned sigh “if ever.”

We see this in our search for DNA evidence. One day the evidence that sits unaccounted for will be itemized. One day the various fleés and agencies will coordinate their tasks and centralize their databases. One day they all might even have databases. But when and to what degree such rehabilitation and modernization of this decrepit system will ever take place, can today be answered with only “if ever.”

The food and music down here are fantastic, and the people are so friendly. To see how they live breaks my heart.

Cardozo Gulf Coast volunteers were recognized on April 30, when the Student Hurricane Network received the New York State Bar Association President’s Pro Bono Service Award. Alisha Williams ’09, Erin Pollack ’09, and Daniel Forman ’08 attended the award ceremony in Albany and are shown here with NYSBA President Mark H. Alcott. Other Cardozo award recipients, including the five additional students who volunteered in New Orleans over spring break, were Katrina Goodwin ’08, Amy Kapoor ’09, Julia Davis ’09, Michael Kleinman ’09, Joya Cohen ’08, Erin Pollack ’09, Laura Barandes ’08, Brian Baum ’08, Lena Katsnelson ’09, Katherine Hwang ’09, Suyeon Kim ’07, Choya Washington ’07, Michael Akerly ’09, and Adam Shane ’09.
Building a Real Estate Career

SARA WOLOSKY

The real estate business is multifaceted and involves more than just building, buying, and selling property. It is also major news and often the topic of conversations as people try to predict the end or continuation of the real estate investment bubble and discuss such personal and pressing issues as high rents, condo conversions, interest-only mortgages, housing for seniors, and environmentally conscious building.

In a field that intersects business, law, hospitality, sales, politics, community affairs, taxes, and so much more, there is a proliferation of professional opportunities. The Cardozo alumni featured here have built legal and real estate careers that are personally fulfilling and creative, and provide positive solutions for affordable housing, “green” building, community renewal, and financing and investment strategies. 

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For someone with no background in real estate, Eugene Schneur '98 has learned the business quickly. As cofounder and co-managing director of Omni New York LLC (ONY), a real estate company that revitalizes and develops economically distressed communities, Schneur has gone from practicing law as a mergers and acquisitions attorney at Olshan Grundman Frome Rosenzweig & Wolosky LLP, to renewing housing projects.

Schneur and his partner, Maurice "Mo" Vaughn, a former first baseman for the New York Mets, cofounded ONY in June 2004. Vaughn was a client of Schneur's; then, one day they spoke about other opportunities, especially real estate.

"There is an overwhelming need for affordable housing in New York, and we knew there was a business to be built here," Schneur said. "It was an interesting concept, but I knew nothing about the affordable housing market. I had to start from the ground up."

They took a chance and now are reaping the rewards. In June 2007, ONY closed on the Noble Drew Ali Plaza, a dilapidated 385-unit housing complex in Brooklyn's Brownsville neighborhood. The complex has suffered from years of neglect and has been overwhelmed by poverty, violence, and drugs. ONY will spend $23 million putting in new kitchens, bathrooms, and floors in all of the units—a total overhaul of the apartments—as well as installing approximately 400 security cameras, a new roof, windows, boilers, and elevators.

"I always knew I would transition to the business side one day, but I never thought I would be in the affordable housing business," said Schneur, who was born in Russia, came to this country when he was seven years old, and grew up in Brooklyn. "It's been extremely fulfilling to watch our company grow and also know that we are improving the lives and living standard of so many." The company also works to resuscitate neighborhoods and will partner with community and neighborhood groups to provide social services.

Since December 2004, ONY has acquired and rehabbed, or is in the process of rehabbing, 1,147 units of affordable housing in the New York metropolitan area, purchasing properties the company can keep for at least 15 years. All of the properties they acquire—mainly Section 8 properties (subsidized housing for low-income families and individuals)—have been neglected or troubled by social problems. The projects are financed through bonds and low income housing tax credits. "We are in this for the long term," Schneur said. "Our goal is to provide well-managed affordable housing in neighborhoods that are in need of it."

The company has grown to include 20 employees, with an additional 60 who work at the properties. ONY has also completed the construction of 40 new units of affordable housing. 
housing in Seneca County, New York, and is renovating 95 units in Gillette, Wyoming.

"I don't do legal work per se anymore, but my legal training is invaluable in this business," Schneur said. "I took a huge risk by leaving the practice of law, but it's definitely paying off."

After some bumps along the road, Gerald Migdol '79 is now in a position to help others, and he is doing just that as the founder and president of the Migdol Organization, a real estate company based in Harlem that is dedicated to community renewal. Migdol buys and develops mismanaged, problematic properties, often ones with legal problems.

"I'm in the business of giving back to others," he said. "We are a resource for the people of the neighborhood. What we do is what the community needs and wants. It's a win-win situation."

He always knew he would work in real estate—it just took some time getting there. A native New Yorker and the son of a plumber, Migdol learned the building trades early on. He attended Queens College, but got caught up in the spirit of the 1960s and took breaks from school. Nine years after he first started college, Migdol graduated and entered Cardozo. "Even though I knew I would never practice law, it was important for me to have those credentials in order to be taken seriously in the business world," he said.

After law school, Migdol started buying property. Because of accumulated loans and the market crash in the late

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—GERALD MIGDOL

Migdol with his son, Aaron '07, at Cardozo's commencement
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—RANDALL TOURÉ

In the 1980s, he was forced into bankruptcy and went to work for a large, national real estate company. “This is where I learned about rebuilding inner city complexes that had fallen apart, and I learned how to rebuild with class and style.”

He began buying property again and focused on Harlem, forming the Migdol Organization in 2002. “I wanted to make Harlem a home,” said Migdol, who has an apartment above his Harlem office. “I’m an entrepreneur by nature. It was more natural for me to create my own business.”

As an advocate for affordable housing, Migdol has the interests of low- and middle-income residents, especially civil service workers, in mind. “Those who have to work in the city, like our police officers, firefighters, and teachers, should also be able to live in this city,” he said. Migdol has offered these workers discounts in his residential buildings.

In 2004, he started the Migdol Family Foundation, a not-for-profit organization that provides essential items to local families, such as clothing and food. The foundation has started a scholarship program for local schools as well as an asthma-prevention program called AsthmaCare.

Migdol is also branching out and working on a big Section 8 project in the Bronx, which has 210 units and land to build more affordable housing, most likely for seniors. “My whole family has embraced the idea of giving back. We can do a lot from our vantage point,” he said.

Migdol recently honored Kris Talese Bellamkonda ’07, a Cardozo student killed in a hit-and-run accident in Harlem last year. Bellamkonda was also involved in the Harlem real estate market and owned a building just a block from Migdol’s office. Migdol has placed a plaque on one of his buildings in Kris’s memory. “The plaque is for what he stood for and what he was,” Migdol said.

Although Migdol is not practicing law, he does offer pro bono legal services through his organization. His son, Aaron ’07, will take the lead expanding the legal offerings after graduating from Cardozo. “He has the same heart and desire to help,” Migdol said.

Interest in affordable housing is a common thread found among the Cardozo graduates featured in this story. According to Susan Robbins ’83, general counsel for The Community Development Trust (CDT), the only real estate investment trust (REIT) in the United States dedicated to investing in affordable housing, “The lack of affordable housing in this country, especially in many metropolitan areas, is a huge problem. Many investors are converting their properties into market-rate housing, which is where CDT comes in,” Robbins explains. “The company’s mission is to preserve and expand the affordable housing supply.”
Although CDT is a private REIT, a tax designation that reduces or eliminates income taxes for corporations investing in real estate, it functions much like a public company with a board of directors. In her position since CDT was founded in 1998, Robbins oversees the legal department and is responsible for matters related to board work, corporate governance and compliance, debt and equity transactions, and corporate finance and operational activities.

"CDT's structure for investment in real estate is similar to that of a mutual fund," Robbins said. "CDT combines the capital of investors to acquire or finance affordable housing, while also earning returns for its shareholders."

Partnering with state and federal housing agencies and nonprofits that are dedicated to affordable housing preservation, CDT has provided capital to ensure the long-term affordability of some 23,000 housing units across the country. "CDT's intent is to structure mission-driven investments that benefit its investors, but the real beneficiaries are the families and individuals who are able to retain their affordable homes," Robbins said.

Before joining CDT, Robbins was general counsel for Local Initiatives Managed Assets Corp., a nonprofit and national secondary market for community development loans. Much of her experience was at MBL Life Assurance Corporation, where she was responsible for a variety of real estate, corporate, and finance transactions. "The work was very similar to what I'm doing today," Robbins said.

Although Robbins had some exposure to the real estate world growing up—her mother is a real estate broker and her father owns an engineering business—she had no plans to work in the field. "Going into law school, I thought I would focus on law for the disabled," she said. But, through a legal internship at Citibank, "I got more involved in real estate finance and my career path slowly evolved."

"I learned that it's okay to change your focus 100 times before you end up in the right place. In the real estate world, 'location, location, location' is the motto, but my advice is to network, network, and network. You never know what opportunities will be presented to you."

In addition to financing, real estate development often requires community support, and that is where Randall Toure '90 comes in. As vice president of community development for Forest City Ratner Company (FCRC), an owner and developer of real estate, he is responsible for cultivating and enhancing the company's diversity goals and leads the team working with MWBE (minority and women business enterprise) contractors and vendors to ensure their participation in FCRC projects.

As part of the Atlantic Yards Development Group, Toure led the negotiations and is responsible for the implementation of the Atlantic Yard Community Benefits Agreement, in which the local community is guaranteed that their interests will be protected as FCRC's massive Atlantic Yards project, a
mixed-use commercial and residential complex of 17 buildings near downtown Brooklyn, evolves. The project, which was approved in December 2006, spans 22 acres and includes plans for both affordable and market-rate housing, commercial and office space, and an arena called the Barclays Center, which will be the new home of the New Jersey Nets basketball team. FCRC chose legendary architect Frank Gehry, who was born in Brooklyn, for the project's design, which will also consist of eight acres of publicly accessible open space.

"There is a critical need for affordable housing in Brooklyn," Toure said. "The Atlantic Yards project will create 4,500 rental units, half of which will be dedicated to low- and middle-income residents, helping to alleviate the serious shortage." Senior citizens will be given priority for 10 percent of all rentals.

According to Toure, the project will also create 15,000 union construction jobs, thousands of permanent jobs, and $1 billion in city and state net tax revenue. As a community liaison, one of Toure's tasks is to ensure that small businesses and those run by women and minorities take part in the project. "We are providing opportunities for small businesses and creating jobs on a section of land that has sat undeveloped for 50 years," Toure said.

The project is currently in the demolition stage, and while plans call for a 10-year period for completion, the arena and two buildings are slated to open for the 2009-2010 basketball season.

FCRC is the New York affiliate of Forest City Enterprises, currently the nation's largest publicly traded commercial real estate company. According to Toure, the company is involved in cutting-edge work around the country and is committed to sustainable, or "green" building, noting that Atlantic Yards is a green project. "Buyers will begin to demand it, and the more developers get out front on the issue, the more the industry will be pushed in this direction."

Toure arrived at his current position after six years as the director of community relations for Assemblyman Roger Green, through whom he met Bruce Ratner, president and CEO of Forest City Ratner. While at Cardozo he took part in an affordable housing clinic, which led to a job after graduation with Delliapa, Lewis and Perseo, a law firm specializing in not-for-profit housing development. From there he became executive director of the South East Queens Clergy for Community Empowerment, a coalition of organizations dedicated to addressing pressing local issues, with the AIDS epidemic and affordable housing at the top of the list. "I put everything I learned in this position into my work today," Toure said.
“Real estate law is so diverse and I’ve worked on every kind of real estate development you can imagine. I’ve reinvented my practice numerous times.”

—NANCY CLEVELAND

Hepner ’79, who concentrates on complex real estate leasing, financing, and development programs as counsel in Kaye Scholer LLP’s Los Angeles office, says ending up in real estate law was an “accident.”

“I was an architecture major in college, and although I was great at the engineering part, I was never happy with my designs,” Hepner said. “People assume this is how I ended up in real estate, but that’s not why it happened.”

Hepner entered law school after graduating with a degree in architecture from Yale and was pleasantly surprised to find that he really enjoyed it. After graduation he spent about three years working at Debevoise & Plimpton LLP in New York. “I just liked the real estate people and gravitated toward them.”

Hepner now spends some of his time working as an outside real estate lawyer for the city of Los Angeles, where he has worked on structuring and implementing leasing agreements with airlines for terminals at Los Angeles International Airport (LAX). “LAX is one of the most important airports in the country—especially for its Asia-Pacific routes—and airlines are constantly vying for a presence here,” Hepner said.

LAX is in the beginning stages of a major expansion and modernization of its facilities. “A large capital investment needs to be made,” Hepner said. “There is always a struggle about who will pay for what, and the leases have become a focal point because they generate important revenue for the airport.”

In addition to working on a wide variety of financing transactions, Hepner also serves as counsel for real estate matters on a large wind-energy project in Kern County, CA. He recently helped to put together the largest such contract signed by a US utility, for 1,500 megawatts of electricity, enough to power approximately one million homes.

Before joining Kaye Scholer in 2001, Hepner was the chief US legal officer for Westfield Holdings Limited, the exclusive manager, developer, and advisor to Westfield America, Inc., which is the second-largest owner of regional shopping centers in the United States.

Hepner, who was in private practice in New York for 18 years before moving to California, also does a lot of pro bono work. He is on the board of The Westview School, a school in Los Angeles that his daughter attended, and has helped with land acquisition, construction contracts, and financing for a new school building. He also helped found, and is the CFO of, Friends of Jewish Renewal in Poland, a nonprofit organization committed to fostering the rebirth of Jewish life and culture in Poland.

“There is a Jewish renewal movement taking place in Poland right now, led mostly by a younger generation of Jews who are trying to get in touch with their Jewish heritage,” he said. “They don’t have much in the way of infrastructure, so we are raising money to help support their efforts.”

While some fall into the real estate business by chance, others have a more direct path. For Mitchel Maidman ’88, there was a choice between joining the family real estate business in Manhattan or forging his own career path. As president and chief executive officer of Townhouse Management Company as well as managing partner of Maidman & Mittelman, LLP, he chose to do both.

Before attending Cardozo, Maidman studied at Yale Law School and began buying land in New Haven, CT—some of which the company still owns. “I don’t know what I thought I would do when I graduated from law school, but I became more and more focused on real estate,” Maidman said.

Maidman, who also currently serves as vice chairman of the Men’s Division of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, went to work as a litigator at the New York City real estate law firm Dreier and Traub, LLP, which represented many developers, including Donald Trump. In the mid-1980s, after about 10 years at the firm, Dreier was absorbed by another law firm. Maidman took this opportunity to start Maidman & Mittelman, LLP, which specializes in real estate and general litigation matters, and also serves as primary counsel to Townhouse Management Company, his family’s real estate business.

While he doesn’t practice real estate law at the firm—his partner (and cousin) handles that part of the business—he did get more involved with the company his grandfather William, originally a dressmaker, founded in 1933. Maidman’s father, Richard, serves as chairman of Townhouse, a diversified real estate company that acquires, develops, and manages residential, commercial, retail, and mixed-use properties throughout the New York metropolitan area. The company currently owns and operates nearly 70 buildings.

Townhouse has grown under Maidman’s leadership. In 2003, through a partnership with Marriott Execustay, Marriott’s corporate housing program, Maidman led Townhouse’s construction of The Aurora, a 32-story, 133-unit mixed-use corporate-housing and luxury apartment building on 37th Street and Third Avenue in Manhattan. The building is the first ground-up corporate housing development for Marriott Execustay.

While the first 25 floors of the building are leased to Marriott, the top seven are full-floor luxury loft condominium
apartments. Townhouse developed the property and manages the building for Marriott, and Maidman, his wife, and two children live there.

The partnership, which developed after an introduction by his wife, a real estate broker, has been successful, and he continues to work on constructing and acquiring other buildings for Execustay. The Chelsea, an 18-story, 204-unit apartment building located at 160 West 24th Street, was also purchased for the company, and all of the units in the building are leased to them.

While the company's main focus is on residential properties in Manhattan, it also owns property in Connecticut, including a Walgreens drug store, and continues to branch out. "We are always looking for new real estate investment opportunities and to build and expand," said Maidman.

With more than two decades of transactional work under her belt, Nancy Cleveland '81, a partner in Saul Ewing's Wayne, Pennsylvania office, has a practice built around traditional real estate deals with a focus on commercial office and retail projects and large-scale residential communities. However, she also calls sustainable building "the hot commodity in development right now" and predicts that much of her future work will be in this area.

"Sustainable building is on a roll, and hopefully technology will bring the cost of it down so that it makes even more sense. Now that some of the heavy hitters are getting involved, there's a better chance the movement will take off."

As an attorney who works on various and often complicated transactions, Cleveland is skilled at handling everything from negotiating the acquisition of land, to construction contracts, sales, or leasing, and functions as primary counsel from the beginning to end of numerous projects.

Cleveland arrived in the real estate transactional arena in a roundabout way. After graduating from law school, she worked at Rosenman & Colin LLP (now Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP) in New York. "I worked in the litigation group for about three months and realized that I had made a big mistake," she said. "Litigation was not for me, but luckily I had an opportunity to do some bankruptcy work, which gave me exposure to transactional work." When the firm expanded its real estate group, she made the switch.

After law school, Cleveland helped edit Cardozo's Arts & Entertainment Law Journal (AELJ), which she founded during her third year. "We started inquiring about starting a new journal and no one said 'no,'" she said, describing the AELJ's creation. "Article solicitation was difficult at first—there wasn't exactly a thundering noise at the door—but the journal has become a success." She recently returned to Cardozo to celebrate the AELJ's 25th anniversary. Cleveland also has personal ties to Cardozo: she is married to Robert Cleveland '82, general counsel at a private equity fund manager.

Prior to joining Saul Ewing, Cleveland worked as in-house counsel for a public utility company, and before that she spent 13 years in private practice. "Real estate law is so diverse and I've worked on every kind of real estate development you can imagine," Cleveland said. "I've reinvented my practice numerous times."
Senator Dodd Tells 2007 Graduates
"Law Is More than Words"

Senator Chris Dodd of Connecticut, a 2008 Presidential candidate, was the featured speaker at Cardozo’s 29th commencement. Saying he came to discuss “the rule of law—because today, at the dawn of the 21st Century, the stakes for American security and for her moral standing in the world have never been higher,” the Senator delivered a personal and rousing speech that received a standing ovation from the graduates and their friends and family. The ceremony was held, as in previous years, at Avery Fisher Hall of Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts, where Yeshiva University President Richard Joel and Dean David Rudenstine conferred a total of 344 J.D. degrees and 65 LL.M. degrees.

In introducing the Senator, who has served five consecutive terms and was a member of the US House of Representatives for three terms prior to that, Dean Rudenstine said, “Chris Dodd has used his abilities and sense of duty to serve our nation fairly, compassionately, and effectively for many years. He inspires our graduates to believe that they, too, can shape their world for the better.”

Dodd, a Democrat, practiced law in New London before his election to Congress and was, as a young man, a volunteer in the US Peace Corps in the Dominican Republic after which he volunteered for the US Army National Guard.

Mentioning the good works that many Cardozo students do in clinical assignments, especially the Innocence Project, Senator Dodd said, “In so doing, you were
reminded that the law is more than words—but rather the actions they inspire."

Dodd spoke about his late father Senator Thomas J. Dodd, who was executive trial counsel at the Nuremberg war crimes tribunals before his election to the Senate. He discussed the importance of the trials that “established that the choice between vengeance and insecurity is a false choice,” and said Nuremberg marked “where America began to lead as a moral force in the second half of the 20th century.”

Then, he asked the graduates to do what his father had once asked of him: “... use this time to make laws, enforce laws, and honor laws rooted not in our greatest fears but in our noblest principles—our highest ideals, and our most historic, respected legal precedents. Let nothing stand in your way.”

Joana Kaso, an LL.M. graduate, gave special remarks about her journey from Albania to Cardozo. Greg Propper, the student speaker, seemed to echo the Senator's speech when he said, “What we can do, as lawyers ... is help write and enforce the rules in a way that is fair and good. ... Our knowledge of the law has bestowed upon us incredible power, the power to affect the lives of people in our communities and around the world.”

The Student Bar Association was represented by Matthew Kittay who announced and gave out the awards voted on by students. Amy Gaude, director of special events and a perennial favorite, won two awards this year for best administrator and for contributions to the student body. There was a three-way tie for best first-year professor, with awards going to Dan Crane, Peter Goodrich, and Stew Sterk. Jeffrey Haas, who teaches Securities Law, was named best adjunct professor, and Barton Beebe won for best professor overall.

Prof. Malvina Halberstam received the Monrad Paulsen Award, given to an individual who has provided devoted service to the continued vitality of the ideals and purposes of legal education, and Sheri Rosenberg received the Telford Taylor Award for outstanding achievement in the field of international human rights.
Brendan O'Malley, David Kinitsky, Alice Jayne, winner of the Archie A. Gorfinkel Award for the most promising and accomplished graduate entering the field of criminal law, and Albert Stemmler

Moot Court Honor Society members Marianna Moliver, Anna Dmitriev, Danille Contillo, winner of a Jacob Burns Medal, Kimberly Grant, winner of the Dr. Samuel Belkin Award, given for exceptional contribution to the growth and development of Cardozo, and Shifra Apter

David Parsly and Luis Casillas, winner of a Jacob Burns Medal, pose in front of the iconic Lincoln Center fountain.

Mariam Touré, Julian von Lucius, Tom Braegelmann, Sara Harris, Christopher Goetz, Thomas MacLean, Director of Graduate Programs Amy Sugin, Lyda Tyburec, Niklas Herriger, and Hewson Chen at the LL.M. graduate reception
Jacquelyn Burke, winner of the Felix Frankfurter Award for outstanding academic achievement, maturity, responsibility, diligence, and judgment with Heyman Scholar Joshua Andrix

Sarah Hudson-Plush, a Jacob Burns Medal winner and Skadden Fellow, with her husband Evan, who won the Andrew S. Zucker Award and the Louis D. Brandeis Award for best academic record

Kenneth Minn, winner of a Benjamin N. Cardozo Service and Achievement Award, receiving congratulations from his mother

Cardozo Board Chair Kathy Greenberg '82 with Greg Propper, who delivered the student speech and received the Jonathan A. Weiss Award for Public Interest Law

Julian Felix Von Lucius, from Germany, won the Louis Henkin Award for demonstrating academic achievement and superior scholarship in the LL.M. program.

LL.M. students Aissatou Bah and Mariam Touré are both from Guinea.

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Richard Marten is the president of Star Circle Pictures, a cutting-edge film production company whose films have won two awards on the international independent film and video festival circuit.

Charles Mirotznik won the second-largest settlement of 2005 in a wrongful death case in Long Island, NY. In 2006, he sponsored The LUNIT Project at the Harvard Graduate School of Design, Department of Architecture. The project will study prefabrication techniques and design and create a new architectural prototype for mass production.

Myra Freed received the Doris S. Hoffman Award at the annual awards gala of the New York Women's Bar Association in recognition of her contributions to the Association and the advancement of women in society.

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Daniel Ben-Zvi was named a top mediator in the entertainment industry by The Hollywood Reporter.

Ellen Greenberg was elected a Nassau County Family Court Judge.

William Levinson joined the Los Angeles office of Greenberg Traurig as a shareholder in its corporate and securities practice.

Harris H. Wilder is of counsel in the Kansas City office of Blackwell Sanders' real estate department.

Barbara Kolson was featured in the Journal News of White Plains, NY for her efforts fighting counterfeiters as general counsel for Seven For All Mankind, a jeans company.

Jonathan Drapkin was appointed president and chief executive officer of Mid-Hudson Pattern for Progress, the regional planning organization that shapes public policy initiatives to improve life in the Hudson River Valley. Previously, he was executive director of the Gerry Foundation, director of the City Council's Office of Oversight and Investigation in NYC, and served in the City of New York's Office of the Mayor.

Steven Lief joined the firm of Milberg Weiss as director of litigation support.

1982

Nearly 100 members of the Class of 1981 celebrated their reunion in Cardozo's lobby on June 8, 2006.
Greenhouse Comments on Roberts Court

Linda Greenhouse, Supreme Court correspondent for The New York Times and a Pulitzer Prize winner, has been on her beat for 28 years. She was the featured speaker at a luncheon, hosted by the alumni group CardozoWomen, and held just days before the opening session of the Supreme Court term, which would be led for the first time by Chief Justice John Roberts. Greenhouse focused her remarks on the new appointees, Chief Justice Roberts and Justice Samuel Alito, and how justices historically change under the influence of the court.

Greenhouse queried why is it that the Court influences appointees more than appointees do the Court? She suggested that it is a lack of a personal agenda that makes a justice amenable to change and pointed to Justice John Paul Stevens who, according to her, has changed his opinions significantly over the 31 years he has sat on the Court. She seemed encouraged by the fact that both of the new justices are starting as knowledgeable jurists who are very familiar with the discourse of the Court. "They are insiders," she said.

Greenhouse continued, "We've come to a fascinating moment" and we can't jump to conclusions in regard to Roberts and Alito, noting that she was going to look particularly at the decisions in the partial birth abortion case, which may prove to be what she termed a "signature" case for Roberts, and to the entire relationship between the Court and Congress.

(Editors note: In April, the Court upheld a partial birth abortion ban in a five-to-four decision. Justices Roberts and Alito sided with the majority.)

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What you wanted to be at age 5
A flute-playing astronaut

Book on your night table
*Middlesex* by Jeffrey Eugenides and *The Woman at the Washington Zoo*, a collection of fabulous essays by Marjorie Williams

Gadget you can't live without
It's a toss up between my cell phone and my Macintosh.

Typical workday schedule
My day starts quite early at home, where I make sure my two daughters leave for school on time. Once at work, it's often unpredictable and ranges from consulting with NOVA, *Antiques Roadshow*, or *Masterpiece Theatre* to discuss structuring ongoing or new productions, to negotiating and drafting deals with producers, distributors, funders, and talent who are working on our productions. I may also spend some time in an edit room to screen footage or music for a “fair use” analysis or to address privacy concerns. In addition, I usually get quite a few unexpected emergency questions in a given day from all over the globe—I've had questions come to me from a boat in the Antarctic, from base camp on Mt. Everest, and from producers at the Vatican.

Favorite project at work
I've worked on some wonderful and interesting projects at WGBH—spanning filming at the bottom of the ocean to climbing Mount Everest—so it's hard to pick a favorite. But one especially memorable experience was working on a NOVA program, "Medieval Siege," where we filmed an international team of engineers, designers, masons, and timber framers building two medieval trebuchets on the grounds of a historic Scottish castle, using ancient technologies and tools. Trebuchets—a type of large “slingshot”—were used in the Middle Ages as a fierce siege weapon, flinging boulders over the walls of one's enemy. The logistical, legal, and liability issues for that single production were quite complex. I ended up getting a crash course in Scottish
construction law and handled a myriad of production issues, culminating with selling two trebuchets “as is.” I had to draw the line when I was asked if it was acceptable to fling dead animals over the castle wall, replicating another ancient use of a trebuchet.

Memorable law school moment
The feeling of nervousness when I was called on for the first time, the first week of school, in my Elements class. You’re never sure when it’s going to be your turn, and even though I had briefed all the cases, there is still a feeling of trepidation. It’s definitely one of those character-building experiences to have to articulate a position—especially when you’re not even sure you understand the question being posed—in front of 50 other students and a challenging professor.

Most influential law school professor
It would have to be Dean David Rudenstine, who was not only my Con Law and Federal Courts professor, but was also a mentor to me on any number of substantive issues we faced in putting out the Law Review. He also advised me personally on my own article.

What you wish you knew in law school
I wish I had known that in the business world, decisions must be made quickly based on risk analysis and other factors. Having a flexible approach as in-house counsel is crucial in advising a company. I had only limited practical and business experience when I was in law school, so I didn’t fully appreciate, as I do now, that while the concepts you learn in law school are important as guideposts, they are not an exact blueprint of how businesses make legal and business decisions every day.

If you did it all over, would you be a lawyer? Would you go into television?
There has always been a part of me that yearns to be creative, as a writer or performer, and I plan to make those interests a reality in my life, especially as my children get older. But being an entertainment lawyer—particularly for public television—has been a good match for my interests and the business and legal skills that I’ve developed. I get to be part of wonderful science, history, and public affairs productions that I can be proud of and to work with talented and creative people across the board. And a hidden bonus: I get to wear what I want.

Course you wish you had taken in law school
I wish I had taken a course on negotiating skills and strategies.

Number of classmates you stay in touch with
At this point, just a handful

What you miss about New York
Super-fast lunch-time deli service, great pizza slices, and Central Park

Favorite Boston team
The Boston Celtics from the mid-’80s

Vacation spot you’d like to visit
The Amalfi Coast in Italy

Typical Sunday activity
I try for the most leisurely day possible—reading the Sunday papers and spending time with family or friends.

Last movie you saw
The Lives of Others

Most challenging aspect of your job
One of the biggest challenges is that questions and problems come to you with little or no time to solve them. A production schedule rarely stops because of a business or legal issue. We end up doing a fair amount of risk analysis because of the fast pace of production.

Biggest surprise about being a lawyer
It’s the variety of questions I’ve had to deal with being in the television industry: diving on a Nazi submarine, recreating congressional testimony, looking for the Loch Ness monster, following the re-encasement of the Declaration of Independence, and filming the secret design competition to build the Pentagon’s next-generation fighter plane. These are just a few examples of the breadth of this type of in-house legal practice.
CLASS actions

Barbara Kolsun '82 and Nancy Cleveland '81

ALUMNI TOAST AELJ 25TH
Cardozo Arts & Entertainment Law Journal celebrated its 25th anniversary in spring 2007. The evening featured talks by the Honorable Jukka Liedes, chairman of the standing committee on copyright and related issues, WIPO; and Prof. David Nimmer, author of Nimmer on Copyright. Many AELJ alumni, including a founder, Nancy Cleveland '81 (see also p. 59), attended to toast the Journal's success.

1983
Lynn Bodkin joined the firm of Thacher Proffitt & Wood LLP as counsel. She is a member of the real estate practice group, focusing on commercial debt, equity and joint venture transactions, and capital markets transactions.

Terri Krivosha was re-elected chair of the governance committee at the Minneapolis, MN Firm of Maslon Edelman Borman & Brand, where she is a partner, specializing in business and finance law.

Mindy Suchinsky became a partner in the Maryland firm of West & Feinberg. She specializes in estate planning and probate matters.

1984
Michelle Freudenberger is an attorney at Building Services 32B-J Legal Services Fund and is a member of the Association of Real Estate Women.

Steven Millon, a senior associate at the Law Office of Maxwell S. Pfeifer in the Bronx, has been elected to the executive committee of the New York State Bar Association. He will serve as vice president for the 12th Judicial District.

Mitchel Pahl became a partner at Dewey Ballantine LLP in the compensation and benefits group.

Hal Perkins is senior managing director of the telecom investment fund, Everest Wireless Partners, LP, based in northern Virginia.

1985
Adena Berkowitz addressed the New Jersey Association of Jewish Communal Service in March on “Seeing the Forest Through the Trees: Infusing Kedusha into Our Everyday Work.”

1986
Alison Mynick was elected to the Board of Governors for the Maine Trial Lawyers Association in March. She is an associate at the law firm of Briggs & Counsel in Rockport, ME.

1987
Rabbi Lev Baesh graduated from Leadership New Hampshire, a statewide leadership development program. He spoke in August about “The Jews and the Sea: Our Peculiar Relationship with Water Since the Time of Genesis” at the Orleans Council on Aging in Provincetown, MA.

Dara Onofrio was re-elected Village Justice in Grandview-on-Hudson, NY, in March. She is the principal of Onofrio Law, specializing in patents, trademark, copyrights, and intellectual property.

Gregory Sichenza moderated a panel in June on Private Investments in Public Entities (PIPEs) in the Microcap Market at the IQPC PIPEs Summit 2006.

1988
Allen Applbaum joined the firm of FTI as senior managing director in the firm’s international risk and investigations practice of the forensic and litigation consulting segment.

JUSTICE ALITO GREETS CARDOZO GRADUATES
Twenty-one Cardozo alumni were admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court at a ceremony in March. Hon. Sandra Feuerstein '79 of the Eastern District of New York and a member of the Cardozo Board, made the motion for the group. Associate Justice Samuel Alito, who made a surprise visit, shared some reflections on his first year as an associate justice and stayed for photos with the Cardozo group.
Peter Gladstone published the article “Codifying Cohabitation as a Ground for Modification or Termination of Alimony—So What’s New?” in the Florida Bar Journal. He practices matrimonial and family law at Gladstone & Weissman in Boca Raton, FL.

Juli Kempner became chief executive officer of the YWCA of Tampa Bay, FL. She is a veteran social services administrator who works on homelessness issues.

Ira Silfin won a judgment for Johns Hopkins University and Arrow International in a patent infringement case in Baltimore. The jury found that three patents covering a method for clearing blood clots in hemodialysis grafts were valid and infringed, and awarded an 18 percent royalty. Ira is a partner at Amster Rothstein & Ebenstein LLP, an intellectual property boutique in New York.

Michael Silvermintz joined the firm of McCarter & English as an associate in its construction industry practice group.

Michael Wildes was reelected to his second term as Mayor of Englewood, NJ.

Jill Zellmer was appointed managing director and general counsel of GE Commercial Finance, Corporate Lending. She has held various leadership positions at GE since joining the company in 1996.

1991

Gary Meltzer appeared in "Who's Who in Real Estate Law" in Long Island Business News (October 2006). He is a member of the real estate group at Meltzer Lippe Goldstein & Breitstone, LLP.

Paul Pitoff cofounded the Youth Advocacy Center, an organization that empowers teens in foster care by teaching them self-advocacy skills.

1992

Dan M. Blumenthal joined the Long Island law firm Ezratty, Ezratty & Levine.

Mark Lichtenstein joined the New York office of the Washington, DC based firm of Crowell & Moring as a partner. He concentrates his practice on a broad range of bankruptcy matters, including bankruptcy litigation and the assignment of assets in bankruptcy cases.

1990

David Huntley, senior vice president of diversified businesses for SBT/AT&T, was profiled in Eclipse Magazine in March 2006. He has been with the Dallas-based company for 11 years.

Hon. Jill Konviser-Levine, judge of the New York Court of Claims and an acting justice of the New York Supreme Court, was appointed to the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Monique Korn welcomed a son, Charles David Buckles, in January.

1989

David Isaac and his wife, Debbie, were honored at the 2006 AMIT Annual Dinner in New York. He is chief executive officer of The Garden City Group, Inc., specialists in legal administration services for corporations and law firms.

Barry Negrin joined the intellectual property group at Pryor Cashman Sherman & Flynn LLP.

Robert L. Schwartz became dean of admissions at UCLA Law School in fall 2006 after more than 11 years as Cardozo's dean of admissions.

Bradley Young became the Atlanta area director for the southeast regional office of American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC).

Robert Schwartz ‘92 at his Cardozo farewell party with members of the admissions staff, Ziva Cohen ’02 (left) and Selene Steinman ’02.
Four Reunion Classes
CELEBRATE THEIR CARDOZO EXPERIENCE

A record number of alumni—more than 200—from the classes of 1987, 1992, 1997, and 2002 joined classmates, faculty, administrators, and guests to reminisce and renew friendships on May 17. The event was held at the elegant 24 Fifth Ballroom in a golden-hued room. Since the venue was just a few blocks from campus, some alumni also stopped by the Law School to check out the major physical transformation that has taken place since their days at Cardozo. Even if you were unable to attend, you can view the reunion photos and stay in touch with classmates through Cardozo's Online Community. Visit our Web site at www.cardozo.yu.edu. All photos identified left to right.

Dean Rudenstine, Joan Ehrlich, Peter Skolnik

Dara Onofrio, Denise Savage, Sharon Youdelman

Marc Kemp, William Hoch, Robert Cyruli

Mindy Merdinger Blackstock, Oleg Rivkin, Kenneth Leitner, Stanley Goos, Hon. David Cohen

Nancy Bromberg, Cory Zimmerman, Gabriel Boyar, Allegra Blumfeld, Nadine Greenspan
Class of 1982 Celebrates 25th Anniversary

On June 14, alumni of the Class of 1982 met in Cardozo’s lobby to celebrate their 25-year reunion. They were joined by several faculty members including Professors Peter Lushing, Malvina Halberstam, Arthur Jacobson, and Jonathan Silver. Dean David Rudenstine, who joined the faculty in 1979 when the Class of 1982 entered law school, addressed the class. Barbara Kolsun led the program, and Danny Felber stirred memories with his touching words about classmate Geoffrey Bowers, whom he defended in a lawsuit against the firm that terminated him after learning he had AIDS. Labe Richman followed with a light-hearted review of Law School days. On behalf of the class, Stephen Breitstone presented Dean Rudenstine with a class gift of more than $36,000 to be used for public interest summer stipends. To view more reunion photos, visit www.cardozo.yu.edu. All photos identified left to right.
CARDIZO CONNECTIONS
The Alumni Association and the Office of Career Services held two networking receptions to give students additional opportunities to connect with graduates for valuable information on career planning and job search strategies. The events introduced the newly reorganized mentor program that boasts 145 alumni ready to help students navigate their careers one-on-one. Mentor committee co-chairs Eric Hochstadt '03 and Noel Williams '87 encouraged students to reach out to alumni.

1993
Robert Jaffe married Catherine Lazarus in June. He is an attorney with the Florida firm of Carlton Fields PA.

Lisa Lesser became a partner at the New Jersey firm of Peckar & Abramson. She concentrates her practice in construction law and alternative dispute resolution.

Valerie Lieberman joined Burns White & Hickton LLC as an associate in the workers' compensation group in the firm's Plymouth Meeting, PA office.

Joseph Nohavicka's article "Paradigm Shift in No-Fault 'Serious Injury' Legislation" was published in the Journal of the New York State Bar Association (January 2006).

Rev. Father Arthur Rojas was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of New York in May 2006 by H.E. Edward Cardinal Egan at St. Patrick's Cathedral. He was appointed parochial vicar at St. Peter's Parish in Yonkers.

1994
In May, Dr. Yassin El-Ayouty gave a talk on his trip to Darfur and Baghdad at Temple Emanuel of Great Neck.

Jeffrey M. Jagid joined the board of directors of the International Fight League, the world's first team-based professional mixed martial arts league. He is chairman and CEO of I.D. Systems, Inc. in Hackensack, NJ.

Juan Otero is vice president of government and regulatory affairs for the Michigan Region of Comcast Corp.

Barbara Friedman became secretary of the executive committee of the intellectual property section of the State Bar of California. She is of counsel at the San Francisco firm of Hanson Bridgett Marcus Vilagos & Ruddy.

Brian Selvin became a partner in the New Jersey firm of Greenbaum Rowe Smith & Davis. He is a member of the firm’s tax, trusts and estates department.

Christopher Serbagi and David Marcus, two solo practitioners, successfully represented the Shaw Family Archives Ltd. regarding its use of photographs taken of Marilyn Monroe. The ruling, which made headlines in The New York Times and Wall Street Journal, said that the use of the photos did not violate the rights of Monroe’s estate because her right to publicity did not survive her death in 1962. Sam Shaw took many of the famous images of Marilyn Monroe, including the one of her standing above a subway grate.

Kenneth Weine will be leaving Newsweek to run communications for Consumers Union/Consumer Reports.

1995
Julian Chung became partner at Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft. She is in the global finance department at the firm's New York office.

David Epstein is area director of American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) for northern New Jersey. In March, he gave a talk, "In the Game of Politics, the Winner Takes All" at Hadassah's One Day Institute in Livingston, NJ.

Eric Feuerstein married Rebecca Raphael in March 2006. In May 2007, he joined Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher as a partner, focusing on high-end, capital-market-driven real estate transactions.
1996

Daniel Goldfischer is vice president and counsel of the New York Mercantile Exchange, Inc., where he focuses on corporate transactions and intellectual property matters.

Gabrielle Gould became special counsel at Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel. She represents financial institutions and major corporations in commercial matters.

Karen Cushman Peled has joined Proverian Capital LLC as corporate counsel. Proverian Capital buys life settlements and life settlement portfolios.

Robert Plotkin is the editor and publisher of the Point Reyes Light, a Northern California newspaper.

Joel Karni Schmidt has become a partner at Cowan Liebowitz & Latman in New York. He practices intellectual property law.

1997

Rachel Bart became general counsel at Compugen in Israel.

Yaffa Cheslow joined the firm of P. Schoenfeld Asset Management as counsel and chief compliance officer.

Aimee Cummo is an associate at Thacher Proffitt & Wood LLP in structured finance. Her practice focuses on whole loan trading and financing and mortgage-backed and asset-backed securities transactions.

Daniel Forman became partner at the Washington DC firm Crowell & Moring in the government contracts group.

Louis Greenstein became counsel in the Washington DC office of Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom. He is a member of the litigation department and an expert on securities enforcement and compliance.

Rabbi Benjamin Kelsen was honored by Project S.A.R.A.H. in New Jersey for his pro bono legal services on behalf of victims of domestic violence.

Stephanie Korenman (Rosenblatt) and her husband, Jeffrey, had a boy, Noah Aidan, in March. She is an associate in the broker-dealer and securities regulation group at Duane Morris, LLP, in New York.

Michael Likosky gave a lecture at Cardozo in November 2006 on Iraqi reconstruction. It was based on a chapter in his recent book, Law, Infrastructure, and Human Rights, published by Cambridge University Press. He is a tenured lecturer in international economic law at the University of London.

Matthew Sarsonon became a partner in the firm of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP. He is resident in the London office and a member of the tax department.

Jeffrey Sofison is an associate at the Massachusetts firm of Burns & Levinson in the probate and trust litigation and divorce and family law groups.

An active alumni committee has revitalized the recent graduates program. Co-chairs Daniel Glimcher ’05 and Joanna Garelick ’03 coordinated two happy-hour events in midtown, and a financial planning workshop addressed new graduates’ specific needs. For more information about future events, contact Inez Gonzalez at (212) 790-0378.

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Nancy Yanks married Jeffrey Pellegrini in March 2006. She is a partner at Davis & Gilbert, specializing in commercial real estate.

1998

Ness Cohen became a partner at the firm of Clifford Chance. He is a member of the real estate group.

Jarred Kassenhoff joined the New York office of Cozen O’Connor as an associate in the commercial litigation group. He concentrates his practice in the areas of complex commercial real estate disputes, insolvency issues, and zoning and tax matters.

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Anthony Son became a partner at the Washington, DC firm of Foley & Lardner in the intellectual property department, representing clients on the strategic use of intellectual property with a focus on patent litigation.

Jill Starishevsky has started the nanny monitoring service howsmynanny.com.
Cardozo alumni clubs are being founded from California to Tel Aviv. This year, events sponsored by these regional clubs were held in several major metropolitan areas, expanding the networking opportunities for students and graduates. For information on your local club, or to start a new Cardozo alumni club, contact Barbara Chadajo at Barbara.Chadajo@yu.edu

David Kahn ’81 was the inspiration for the Israel Alumni Club, which held two events in Tel Aviv. The group wants to provide assistance to students and graduates who are interested in living and working in Israel for a semester or after graduation.

In New Jersey, alumni came together in fall 2006 in Newark and heard from Vice Dean Michael Herz. Barry Marenberg ’93 was the host at his firm, Sills Cummis.

The California Club held several events in both Los Angeles and San Francisco. Los Angeles kicked off the fall with a program featuring Mel Levine, former US Congressman, and Peter Edelman, Georgetown law professor and former Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services in the Clinton Administration. The event was held at Kaye Scholer, where Irv Hepner ’79 is a partner. In March 2007, Dana and Irv Schechter, Cardozo parents, hosted a party for alumni and parents at their Beverly Hills home. That same month, there was a meet-and-greet at the Cornelian Room in San Francisco, thanks to the leadership of Muriel Kaplan ’80.

Connecticut alumni enjoyed two breakfast meetings under the direction of Sallie Kraus ’91. In November, alumni joined Dean Rudenstine and Prof. Stewart Sterk at Edwards and Angel in Stamford, where Even Seidman ’93 is a partner. In May, the group heard from Prof. Ed Zelinsky, and cohosts Jeff Laska ’96 and Rebecca White ’88 arranged a fascinating tour of the UBS Investment Bank trading floor, also in Stamford.

In Washington, DC, Andrew Abraham ’98 and Brendan Murray ’03 organized the club’s kickoff event at Crowell & Moring. They look forward to expanding the club in the fall.

In June, Laurence Kagan ’98 organized the first Philadelphia alumni lunch with special guest, Prof. Marci Hamilton.

Also in June, Daniel Biene ’02 brought together Cardozo graduates in Berlin, Germany. Toni Fine, Cardozo’s former director of international and graduate programs, joined them.
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1999
Marcus Kelley is a research assistant at the Republican Study Committee in Washington, DC.
David Martin joined Hodgson Russ as a senior associate in the firm's New York office. He is a member of the state and local tax practice group.
Peter Yu was named the inaugural Kern Family Chair in Intellectual Property Law and director of the Intellectual Property Law Center at Drake University Law School in Des Moines, IA.

2000
Erica Busch married Brian Frank in February. She is an associate in the litigation department at Moses & Singer.
Congregation Ohab Zedek in New York honored Jason "Yitzi" Flynn last March with the Nathan K. Gross Community Service Award. He married Talia Tor in July.
Vejay Lalla and his wife, Sapna, had a son, Dilan, in July.

James Lawrence was chosen as one of the “Top 40 Power Elite Under 40” in Ingram’s Kansas City Business Magazine.
David Scechtmman joined the real estate investment firm Eastern Consolidated, focusing on business development in the tri-state area.

2001
Jennifer Deitch co-authored “Data Security Measures: An Increasing Concern for Contact Centers,” in CRM E-Weekly (February 2006). She is an associate at Manatt Phelps & Phillips, where she focuses on Internet law, advertising, marketing, and promotion.
Eric Radziminsky received a Pro Bono Distinguished Service Award from Ober Kaler. He worked with a team of attorneys from the firm on a death penalty case in Mississippi in which the death sentence was overturned on direct appeal and remanded for resentencing.

2002
Lonica Smith became an associate in the real estate department at Phillips Nizer LLP. She will focus her practice on the acquisition and disposition of real property, financing of real estate transfers, and the development and preservation of affordable housing.
Julie Ahrens joined Stanford Law School as associate director of the Fair Use Project, which provides legal support to a range of projects designed to clarify and extend the boundaries of "fair use" in order to enhance creative freedom.
Jonathan Cohen married Samantha Sopin in March 2007. He is an associate at Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker.
David V. Koenig is an associate at Rivkin Radler LLP on Long Island, specializing in insurance fraud investigation and legal issues. Prior to becoming a lawyer, he produced television news and children's entertainment.

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CARDOZO COMMUNITY DONATES HOLIDAY TOYS The Alumni Association Activities Committee, led by David Krell '05 and Dori Hanswirth '86, and Cardozo Advocates for Battered Women cosponsored a very successful toy drive for the 2006 holiday season in November 2006. It brought together members of the Board, alumni and student bodies, and faculty who collected and wrapped nearly 1,000 toys that were then donated to Sanctuary for Families, New York City's largest nonprofit assisting victims of domestic violence.

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In November, the Alumni Association and the Minority Law Students Association (formerly BALLSA) held a joint event focusing on diversity at the Law School. Dean Rudenstein and Shane Spence ’07 are shown with Prof. Myriam Gilles (center), who spoke about diversity trends and concerns that are being addressed by law schools and firms across the country.

Alumni Online Community

Looking to connect with Cardozo alumni? Want to share your career news with fellow graduates? Join the Cardozo Alumni Online Community! The Online Community provides graduates with free password-protected access to an alumni directory, class notes, bulletin boards, and the most current Cardozo news and events. To register, e-mail cardozoalumni@yu.edu

2003

Colette Reiner married Gibson Verkuil ’04 in June. She is an associate at Morrison & Foerster, practicing intellectual property law; he is an associate at Boies Schiller & Flexner. His main practice area is complex commercial litigation.

Sarah Schaeffer-Roth and her husband, Andrew Roth, had twins, Zoe Menica and Leo Henry, in December.

2004

Alyssa Kahn Ehrlich was appointed a state administrative law judge in Manhattan.

Miriam Healy was named by the Albany Times-Union as an “Up & Comer.” She is an associate in the Albany office of Gilberti Stinziano Heitz & Smith PC and represents land developers.

Peter Massa married Rachel Harrison in August. He is a real estate associate at the firm of Sonnenschein Sherman & Deutsch.

Max Rosenberg opened a general practice law office in Stratford, CT, offering legal services in bankruptcy, wills, probate, housing, family, personal injury and workers’ compensation law.

Steven Sykes married Meredith Adler in October. He is a lawyer at District Council 37 of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees of New York.

2005

Elizabeth Endelson married Judson Wolfe in June.

Craig Gold married Courtney Perris in June.

Heela Justin-Capell joined Heilberger & Associates, P.C. as an associate.

Liane Kidd joined the Winsor Law Firm in Mesa, AZ, as an associate specializing in employment law, family law, and intellectual property.

Serena Lee became vice president for the Seattle office of the American Arbitration Association.

Eileen Pizzurro married David Feder in October. She is an associate in the litigation practice at Morrison Foerster.

Audrey Roofeh took part in the 2006 Mongol Rally, a three-week-long road race from London to Ulaan Baatar, the capital of Mongolia. She is an attorney at Schlam Stone & Dolan LLP.

Douglas Schneider’s appeal, filed as a third-year student at Cardozo, has resulted in the reversal of a man’s felony conviction on drug charges. In June 2002, Tony Anderson was found guilty of selling a controlled substance in or near school grounds, and sentenced to up to nine years in prison. A student in Cardozo’s Criminal Appeals Clinic, Schneider, drafted Anderson’s appeal under the supervision of attorney Robert Rosenthal. Schneider had graduated and joined Proskauer Rose by the time he argued the case before the Appellate Division, First Department. In May 2007, a panel unanimously overturned the conviction, finding that Anderson’s trial attorney’s repeated failures constituted reversible error.

Kimberly Walker married Michael Lord in September. She is a lawyer in business and legal affairs at Morgan Creek Productions, a film company in Los Angeles.
Anthony Agolia joined the Long Island firm of Rivkin Radler LLP as an associate. He practices in the firm’s corporate and commercial, real estate, zoning, and land use practice groups.

Joshua Ahsoak has joined the Anchorage, AK firm of Delisio Moran Geraghty & Zobel as an associate practicing environmental law.

Abigail Bowen joined the firm of Riker Danzig Scherer Hyland & Perretti LLP as an associate in the firm’s New York office.

David Cooperstein is an assistant corporation counsel at the New York City Law Department.

Alan Florendo has joined the New York firm of Duval & Stachenfeld as an associate in the corporate department.

Laura Grosshans joined the New Jersey firm of Sills Cummis Epstein & Gross as an associate in the employment and labor practice group.

Jessica Marshall married Brian Glatt in September. She is an associate at Weil Gotshal & Manges in New York.

Tracie Reilly and her husband, Michael, had a daughter, Emmalynn Victoria, in May.

Ranit Saposh married Gabriel Shiff in April. She is an associate at the firm of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole & Wisler in Teaneck, NJ.

Mara Silverman has joined the Long Island firm of Lewis Johs Avillone Avilles as an associate.

Mario Sturla married Elizabeth Speaker in November. He is an attorney in the executive office for immigration review at the US Department of Justice.

Neil Weitz has joined the New York corporate insurance and risk management consultancy of Siesko Partners, as an associate responsible for implementing due diligence practices on behalf of private equity clients.

Shuqian Yan became an associate with Marger Johnson & McCollom, P.C., practicing intellectual property law.

The Making of a Martyr, an award-winning documentary about the illegal incitement and recruitment of Palestinian children to become suicide bombers, by Brooke Goldstein ’05, received its first New York screening in October 2006 in the Jacob Burns Moot Court Room. A panel discussion on “Child Suicide Bombing and International Law” featured renowned legal scholar Alan Dershowitz, Felix Frankfurter Professor of Law at Harvard University, Goldstein, producer and director of the film; and Hamid Dabashi, the Hagop Kevorkian Professor of Iranian Studies and Comparative Literature at Columbia University. The event was sponsored by Cardozo Students for Human Rights.

Goldstein, whose film has received international acclaim, winning the Audience Choice Award at the 2006 United Nations Documentary Film Festival, was given the E. Nathaniel Gates Award at Cardozo’s 29th commencement. The Gates Award is given for “outstanding public advocacy that contributes to the achievement of equal justice under the law.”

Catherine Larocca ’95 passed away on August 21, 2006. Catherine, a graduate of SUNY Oneonta, was a successful CPA prior to attending Cardozo. Cathy was an enthusiastic and distinguished member of our class and served on the Arts & Entertainment Law Journal. She was in the January AEP program, and all of us in that section were very close. After graduation, Cathy clerked for Judge Tina Brozman in the Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York and was an associate at Willkie, Farr & Gallagher. She moved to San Diego to continue her practice, and eventually became a full-time professor of business law at San Diego Mesa College. I am not at all surprised that she thrived as a professor; she loved Cardozo and the academic environment. She was a beautiful person and a great friend. To be in touch with Cathy’s family, please contact me at aglenn@kasowitz.com.

—Andrew K. Glenn ’95
DEAN HOSTS SPEAKER SERIES FOR STUDENTS
Several times each year, Dean Rudenstine invites distinguished speakers to share with students experiences and insight into the legal profession at an informal lunch. This year, guests included Steven Spira '79, president, Worldwide Business Affairs, Warner Bros. Pictures; Scott Zemser '91, partner, White & Case; Harold Gordon '88, partner, Jones Day; Shari E. Redstone, president of National Amusements, Viacom; and Susan Rosen '87, deputy general counsel, Business and Legal Affairs, WGBH Education Foundation.

THIRD-YEAR STUDENTS GIVE RECORD AMOUNT
The Class of 2007 set a new standard with 100 donors to the class gift project. Students made financial pledges totaling more than $10,000 and vowed to stay involved as graduates.

Shari Redstone

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Roberta Kraus is senior counsel at the NYC Law Department of NYC & Company.

David Fox is a patent litigator with the firm Negem Bickham & Worthington in Tyler, TX, a firm specializing in telecommunications patent litigation. He writes that eastern Texas is the fastest and most exciting venue for patent litigation because of the “rocket docket” and local patent rules. He also continues to paint.

Daniel Biene has published numerous articles on issues of media economics and art law in the German law press. He organized the first meeting of the Cardozo German alumni association, which took place in Berlin in June 2007. For future events, contact Daniel at mail@dan­iel-biene.de.

Stacey Cameron Chesser is a legal correspondent and investigative television news reporter at KWTV News 9 in Oklahoma City, OK. She won an Associated Press Award this year for her breaking news coverage of the Sago Mine Disaster in West Virginia.

Melanie M. Meyer is an energy lawyer with Becker & Giettner Held in Berlin, Germany.

Nili Weitzman is general counsel at Technion in Israel. She gave birth to a daughter, Dafna, on November 5, 2006.


Milena S. Mishev (Dakova-Micheva) is an associate with Graham, Campaign P.C., an intellectual property boutique firm.

Cecilia Quirindongo Baunsoe gave birth to a daughter, Ella, on May 11, 2006. Ella joins four-year-old sister Alana. The family lives in Southfield, MI, where Cecilia is a solo practitioner, concentrating on criminal defense and criminal appeals.

Sonja J. M. Cooper practices law and teaches in the legal studies program at Mercy College. She credits her Cardozo LL.M. for her return to teaching.

Michal Feinberg has been working since 2004 near Tel Aviv at N. Feinberg & Co, a firm specializing in labor and employment law. She and her husband, Eyal, welcomed a baby girl, Maya, on January 25, 2006.
Kelly M. Slavitt is corporate counsel and head of the legal department at the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. She was elected secretary of the intellectual property law section of the New York State Bar Association, and is expecting her first child in September.

Gary M. Emmanuel is an associate at Reitler Brown & Rosenblatt LLC and is the father of six-month-old Noam.

Yael Weinarten-Nayman and her husband, Matt, announce the birth of their daughter, Raquel, born on May 24, 2006.

Janet Fashakin, Esq., who has a litigation practice in Queens, opened a second office in Brooklyn. She volunteers as a small claims court arbitrator for Queens and Kings Counties and is qualified as a guardian ad litem under the NY State Office of Court Administration. She is pursuing a Ph.D. in public policy and management with a concentration in criminal justice at Walden University.

Ken Matsuzaki returned to Tokyo, where he is a supervisor in the account group management division of Dentsu Inc. He translated The US Legal System for Japanese Lawyers and Business Professionals by Toni M. Fine, which was published in Japan in April 2007.

Jingliang Wang’s daughter, Audrey, was born on April 15, 2007. Jingliang lives in Beijing and works at Baker & McKenzie’s office there.

Brian Goncalves is an associate in the patent group of Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP in NY.

Sharon Herman joined Shearman & Sterling, LLP as an associate in their Intellectual Property Transactional Department.

Mindy Jones has rejoined Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida, Inc., in Fort Lauderdale, as project director of the domestic violence court advocacy project.

Shinji Nioka returned to Tokyo and works for GE Commercial Finance Real Estate as counsel, compliance officer, and chief privacy officer for Asia-Pacific.

Farhid (Hagit) Sedaghatpour handles litigation for Behnam Kahen, a real estate/real property law practice in Queens.

Shiri Torf joined the intellectual property and information technology department at Meitar, Lichtenik, Geva & Leshem Brandwein in Ramat Gan, Israel.

Law Firm Challenge 2006
Cardozo thanks the alumni who participated in the 2006 Law Firm Challenge. Any firm with five or more Cardozo graduates is eligible to compete, with firms striving for 100 percent alumni participation. Last year’s winning firm was Hogan & Hartson with 100 percent participation.

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Hogan & Hartson, first place
Jones Day, second place
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Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal
Weil, Gotshal & Manges, third place

Calendar of Events
SEPTEMBER 17
Recent Graduates, Buying Your First Home Workshop
7:30 pm

SEPTEMBER 18
Diversity Reception for Alumni and Students
6:30 pm

SEPTEMBER 19
Dean’s Leadership Circle Reception

SEPTEMBER 20
Cardozo by the Bay Museum Visit
Judah L. Magnes Museum, San Francisco, 7:00 pm

SEPTEMBER 25
Reunion Planning Meeting for 1988, 1993, 1998 and 2003, 6:30 pm

OCTOBER 21
Cardozo by the Bay Sunday Socials
Home of Muriel Kaplan ’80, San Francisco, 4:00 pm

OCTOBER 7
DC Club Equal Justice Works Brunch

OCTOBER 10
Cardozo Connections, 7:00 pm
Alumni-Student Networking Reception

OCTOBER 24
25th Reunion Planning Meeting for the Class of 1983
6:30 pm

NOVEMBER 7
Alumni Awards Dinner
The Rainbow Room at Rockefeller Center, 7:00 pm
Shown here at the dedication of the Kathryn O. and Alan C. Greenberg Center for Student Life in front of a plaque commemorating the families who supported the Center are (from left): Ken Endelson, father of Elizabeth Endelson Wolfe '05 and Alexandra Endelson; Board member Sheldon H. Solow; Board member Leon H. Charney; Arnold S. Penner, Board of Overseers, Albert Einstein College of Medicine and, his wife, Madeleine Berley, mother of Marc Berley '07; and Stephen Cooper, father of Samantha Brand '08.

FAMILIES AND FRIENDS HELP BUILD LAW SCHOOL

The partnership and support of Cardozo families and friends including parents, directors of the board, and alumni has been integral to moving the Law School onward. This tradition and spirit of community support made possible the creation of the Kathryn O. and Alan C. Greenberg Center for Student Life given in honor of Dean David Rudenstine. Hundreds celebrated the grand opening and dedication of the Center at Cardozo’s 30th anniversary celebration on March 7. Joining Kathy and Alan Greenberg in support of the Center were the following families:

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THREE ALUMNAE ELECTED TO CARDOZO BOARD
This year, Rosemary Byrne '80, Jennifer Grubman Rothenberg '99, and Shoshana T. Bookson '82 were elected to the Cardozo Board of Directors. This brings to 15 the number of alumni sitting on the 30-member Board. The initiative to increase alumni representation has been undertaken by Dean Rudenstine and Board Chair Kathy Greenberg '82.

"It gives me great pleasure to know that alumni from across the spectrum are stepping up their involvement and commitment to Cardozo," said Ms. Greenberg. "Rosemary, Jenny, and Shoshana bring important strengths to the Board."

Rosemary Byrne, who was named alumna of the year in 2003, has long been involved with Cardozo. She was president of the alumni association from 1983-84 and then again in 1985-86. She was chair of the alumni scholarship committee from 1988 to 2002, and of the fundraising committee in 1987-88 and 2002-03.

She is president of BHI Brokerage Services, a company engaged in insurance brokerage and other consulting services and is executive vice president and general counsel of Corporate Credit, Inc., a privately-held investment bank. From 1981 to 1988, she was a litigation associate at Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, prior to which she was a law clerk to Honorable Lawrence W. Pierce, US District Court, Southern District of New York. She sits on the Arbitration Panel of the US District Court, Eastern District of New York, is chair of the zoning board of adjustment in Englewood, NJ, and is a certified mediator.

At Cardozo, Byrne was an editor on the Moot Court Board, received a Jacob Burns Moot Court Medal, and a Samuel Belkin Faculty Award. She holds a B.A. from Marymount Manhattan College.

Jenny Rothenberg is president of Innovative Philanthropy, a consulting firm she founded in 2003 to advise individuals and philanthropic organizations on mission, strategy, grant making, fundraising, events, and board development. Previously, she was associate manager of development and events at the Robin Hood Foundation in New York. Upon graduation from Cardozo, Rothenberg worked for one year as an assistant district attorney in the Westchester County District Attorney's Office, in the appeals and special litigations bureau.

While at Cardozo, Rothenberg interned at the Legal Aid Society in the Law Guardian Department and at Sanctuary for Families. She holds a B.A. from Boston University.

Shoshana T. Bookson is a partner at Shandell Blitz Blitz & Bookson, a New York City litigation and trial firm, specializing in the representation of seriously injured victims of complex tort matters. She is a founding member of Cardozo Women, and has been an involved member in the alumni community.

Socially and professionally active, Shoshana was president from 2004-05 of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association (NYSTLA) which has more than 4,000 members, and currently chairs its women's caucus. She is also a member of NYSTLA's political action committee, frequently lobbying state and federal elected representatives on behalf of the wrongfully injured. Shoshana is a New York State governor of the American Association for Justice (the former Association of Trial Lawyers of America.) She is cochair of the UJA Federation Trial Lawyers Committee and a member of the UJA-Federation's 2007 Campaign Steering Committee.

A New York City native, Shoshana holds a B.A. magna cum laude from Queens College of the City University of New York and was editor of the Cardozo Moot Court Board.
DEAN’S SCHOLARSHIP CAMPAIGN GETS OFF TO A STONG START

In an effort to expand Cardozo’s commitment to providing student scholarship support, Dean Rudenstine inaugurated a scholarship campaign in January 2007 to raise $3 million in 18 months. With a year to go until the June 2008 deadline, 50 percent of the amount has been raised through gifts and pledges.

Increased scholarship support has long been a priority for Cardozo’s leadership and dean. The new initiative will assist the Law School in continuing to attract and enroll outstanding students, helping them to limit the amount they would otherwise have to borrow to finance their legal studies.

Dean Rudenstine created the scholarship drive to address the difficult realities faced by prospective and current Cardozo students, including debt that precludes graduates from pursuing a career in public service or costs that keep some students from pursuing a Cardozo degree. Commenting on the importance of the campaign he said, “In addition to remedying a host of needs, additional monies for scholarships will help students to more freely choose the professional career they aspire to and will continue to expand the intellectual diversity at Cardozo.”

The cost of a legal education is at a record high. A three-year program in New York City can run more than $180,000 with tuition, room and board, books, and a modest sum for living expenses. As a result, most Cardozo students graduate with debt that averages $85,000; some owe as much as $120,000.

Cardozo alumni, parents, and friends with whom Dean Rudenstine has spoken about the campaign are enthusiastic about what the drive can accomplish. “Their partnership,” said Dean Rudenstine, “will be the key to its success.”

FUNDS IN HONOR OF STUDENTS INITIATED

Rountree Fund to Support Research

In honor of their son, Rhett Rountree, an outstanding student at Cardozo who died in 2004 in a tragic accident at the end of his second year, Gail and Mickey Rountree have established the Rhett Morgan Rountree Fund. The endowed fund will support research projects in legal theory and philosophy at Cardozo. Rhett, whose intellectual passions ran wide and deep, held an abiding interest in the theoretical aspects of the law.

The Rountree Fund will provide support for projects selected by the faculty as theoretically and philosophically innovative. The first grant will help support a visit during the 2007-08 academic year by Alain Badiou, the author of Being and Event, which was translated into English in 2006. “His book,” said Prof. David Carlson, “is a candidate for being one of the most important volumes in the history of philosophy.” Dr. Badiou’s visit, his third to Cardozo, will coincide with an international conference sponsored by the Cardozo Law Review on his famed book.

Moot Court Competition Named for Liza Suckle ’05

Liza Suckle ’05, an ambitious and skilled member of the Moot Court Honor Society, passed away suddenly in the middle of her third year at Cardozo. To honor her devotion to Moot Court, the Society established the Liza Suckle Moot Court Memorial Fund to support moot court orientation, which trains new members each August.

Known as Moot Camp, the orientation is structured to simulate an external moot court competition and familiarize students with the experience of preparing and delivering oral arguments. It culminates with a competition that is now named the Liza Suckle Memorial Competition.

“Liza will always be remembered for her excellent coaching of second-year students, and it is fitting that this competition be named for her,” said Lara Hirsh ’06, a member of the 2005-06 Moot Court Honor Society Executive Board and one of the people who helped move the idea of the fund forward. Ben Steele ’08 received the best oralist award, which carried with it a $100 prize, in fall 2006, the competition’s inaugural year. A plaque in the Moot Court Honor Society office will list the names of each year’s winners of the Liza Suckle Moot Court Competition.

To Contribute

To contribute to the scholarship initiative, or support the new funds, and for more information, please contact Patricia Weiss, director of institutional advancement, at (212) 790-0270 or e-mail: pweiss@yu.edu. You may also mail contributions to Cardozo’s Office of Institutional Advancement.
Dean's Leadership Circle 2005–06

The Dean's Leadership Circle recognizes generous members of the Cardozo community who contribute $1,000 or more to the Law School's Annual Fund. This core group of supporters inspires the entire Cardozo community with their leadership and level of commitment to make a significant difference in the life of the Law School. Leadership Circle members receive special invitations to Law School events throughout the year, are acknowledged in important publications, and are honored at a special recognition reception with the Dean and Chair of Cardozo's Board of Directors. We welcome the partnership of our alumni, parents of Cardozo students and graduates, and friends in our pursuit of excellence. The 2006–07 year also was a great success. We look forward to acknowledging the donors of the past year in the next issue of Cardozo Life.

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Help our effort by becoming a class agent. Serve as a point person for class news and increase your class giving. Contact Barbara Chadaja at 212-790-0298 for more information.
The Class of 1979 had the highest level of participation, with 22 percent giving to the Annual Fund.

The Classes of 1983 and 1986 tied, with 18 percent of graduates giving.
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