Dear Wayne Law Alumni,

On behalf of the Law Alumni Association and the Career Services Office, I am pleased to announce the development of the Wayne Law Online Mentor Directory, a directory devoted to connecting students and professionals in Michigan and around the country.

Specifically, the directory will allow students to obtain advice and insight on career-related issues such as practice trends and legal markets in specific geographic regions from mentors with a wide variety of expertise.

As a mentor, all you have to do is agree to make your contact information available to students who may have questions related to their professional development. The directory is neither designed nor intended to facilitate job placement opportunities for students. Students will not ask you for a job, and have been carefully counseled to be respectful of your time.

Becoming a mentor is a wonderful way for alumni and friends to give back to Wayne Law. We are very excited about this endeavor and hope you will be too. Should you wish to volunteer, please contact me at (313) 577-3967 or kgardner@wayne.edu.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

Krystal Gardner
Assistant Dean of Career Services

Did you know that Wayne Law alumni live and work in every state of the nation and more than a dozen countries? Whether practicing health, international, environmental, corporate or other types of law, our graduates continue to make a name for Wayne Law – locally, nationally and internationally.

Are you interested in recruiting Wayne Law students or alumni? Employers can recruit at Wayne Law by posting job opportunities online through Symplicity (located at https://law-wayne-csm.symplicity.com/employers). Employers can also email job postings to lawcareers@wayne.edu or participate in the On-Campus Interview Program at Wayne Law.

For more information on our On-Campus Interview Program or Symplicity, please contact the Wayne Law Career Services Office at lawcareers@wayne.edu or (313) 577-3967 and we will promptly contact you.

We look forward to hearing from you and doing our part to professionally connect Wayne Law alumni and friends around the globe.

Please note: If you participate in our On-Campus Interview Program, you should have received a Symplicity password. If you have forgotten your password, click on “Sign In” and then click the “Forgot My Password” tab. If you are new to the system, simply click on the Register tab and provide the requested information, and we will provide you with a password and our Symplicity Employer User Guide.
Wayne Law Welcomes New Legal Research and Writing Faculty Members

Wayne Law recently announced the addition of three faculty members who will join the Law School’s Legal Research and Writing team. They include new Director Anne Marie Burr, Aimée Mangan Bacik and Kathryn M. Day.

Anne Marie Burr will serve as the director of Legal Research and Writing. Most recently, Burr was employed with the Ave Maria School of Law as an assistant professor of Research, Writing and Advocacy. She has served as an equity partner in the regional law firm of Dykema Gossett, as senior counsel of the multinational corporation Allied Domecq, and as a law clerk for United States District Judge George E. Woods. Burr earned a J.D. from Wayne Law, a graduate certificate from the M.A. in Dispute Resolution Program of Wayne State University’s College of Urban, Labor and Metropolitan Affairs, and a B.A. from Oakland University.

Aimée Mangan Bacik will serve as a legal writing instructor. She has served as an adjunct instructor and visiting assistant clinical professor at the University of Michigan Law School, as well as faculty services librarian in UM’s law library. Other past work experience includes stints as a law clerk to The Honorable Paul D. Borman and with the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Michigan, in Detroit. Bacik earned a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School and a B.A. from the University of Michigan.

Kathryn M. Day will serve as a legal writing instructor. Most recently, Day served as assistant professor of Legal Research and Writing at Ave Maria School of Law. She has also held positions such as academic support coordinator at Ave Maria School of Law, president at Lawquest, Inc., vice president at Legal Research Unlimited, Inc., and clerkships at the Illinois Appellate Court, First District. Day earned a J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law and a B.A. from the University of Michigan.

Burr, Bacik and Day join Wayne Law Legal Research and Writing faculty Kristin Theut, Clara “Tiki” Scholla McCarthy, Mireille Phillips and Amy Neville.
Wayne Law Welcomes New Assistant Dean of Admissions

Wayne Law recently appointed Ericka Matthews-Jackson, a 1997 Wayne Law alumna, as Assistant Dean of Admissions.

As Assistant Dean, Matthews-Jackson will oversee all Wayne Law enrollment and recruitment efforts; supervise other admissions professionals; assist in the development of a comprehensive marketing plan to increase outreach and recruitment efforts; and provide consultation to prospective students with regard to the admissions process.

"On behalf of Wayne Law faculty, staff, students and alumni, I would like to congratulate and welcome back Ericka Matthews-Jackson," said Wayne Law Dean Robert M. Ackerman. "Her experience as an attorney, as a development officer and, most of all, as an alumna of Wayne Law, will be invaluable to her role as Assistant Dean of Admissions. Ms. Matthews-Jackson is an extremely bright, energetic leader who will add great value to our admissions and recruitment efforts. We are fortunate to add her to our already wonderful admissions team and look forward to great things from her."

Prior to her appointment as Assistant Dean of Admissions, Matthews-Jackson served as a senior major gift officer at the University of Michigan where she was responsible for raising funds for research, programs and the construction of a new state-of-the-art Children’s and Women’s Hospital.

Before working at UM, Matthews-Jackson served three years as associate director of development and director of the Damon J. Keith Collection at Wayne Law. Other past work experiences include seven years at Sommers Schwartz, P.C. (litigation attorney) and the City of Detroit Law Department (law clerk).

Matthews-Jackson is a current member of the Oakland County Women’s Bar Association Advisory Board and the State Bar of Michigan, and has served on the Board of Directors of the Izumi Family Fund at Wayne Law and on the Wayne State University President’s Commission On the Status of Women.

The Wayne Law Alumni Association and the Wayne State University Student Board of Governors hosted the 18th Annual Wayne State University Law School Alumni/Student Golf Outing on June 20, 2008, at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center in Plymouth, Mich.

The outing provided an opportunity for alumni and friends to reconnect in a friendly yet competitive atmosphere, under perfectly sunny skies.

The winning group of the day was threesome Sean Blume, Justin Hakala and Matt Zee, who won with a 62, or 10 under par. Winning closest to the pin and longest drives were Matt Zee, Helen Casey, Bethany Ansorge, Paul Fontella and Rob Toth.

Donors included Doeren Mayhew Certified Public Accountants and Consultants; Kerr, Russell and Weber, PLC; Harness, Dickey & Pierce, PLC; and Pfifer, Phillips & White, PC.

Distinguished guests were Dean Robert M. Ackerman, Associate Dean David Moran (who sank a 10-foot putt on the 18th hole in one of his last official acts as Associate Dean) and Associate Professor Vince Wellman.

For more information on how you might get involved with the Wayne Law Alumni Association, please visit www.law.wayne.edu or contact Joye Clark at (313) 577-2161 or via email at ag9789@wayne.edu.
“I have to say my greatest reward came this last term when I used the book I wrote as a text and I saw students get excited by the same ideas that motivated me to write it.”


– Barry Goldman, ’80

What made you decide to teach as an adjunct professor at Wayne Law? I started teaching at Wayne State University when I was still in law school. After I got my undergraduate degree I spent a few years doing various sundry things. Among them was a master’s program in philosophy at the University of Hawaii. I took a philosophy of law class while I was a law student (from Bob Yanal, now the Chairman of the Philosophy Department and a good friend), and Bob asked if I would like to teach Intro Philosophy and Intro Logic as an adjunct. I did that for several years. Eventually the philosophy courses morphed into courses in the Business School teaching ethics to MBA students. That led to a period of several years where I taught negotiation and ADR courses for the Master’s in Dispute Resolution (MADR) and the Master’s in Industrial Relations (MAIR) programs. And that led somehow to teaching negotiation and ADR in the law school.

What courses do you currently teach? Negotiation and ADR.

What’s your greatest reward as an adjunct? I have always had a great time teaching smart students. I find it especially gratifying when former students appear before me in what we like to call the “real world” and acquit themselves well. But I have to say my greatest reward came this last term when I used the book I wrote as a text and I saw students get excited by the same ideas that motivated me to write it.

You currently work as an arbitrator and mediator at Barry Goldman Arbitration and Mediation. How long have you been employed as such and what made you branch out on your own? After law school I went to work for the City of Detroit. In 1986 Mayor Coleman Young appointed me to serve as Deputy Director of the Human Rights Department. That made me the person responsible for city compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and put me in charge of a mediation program for disputes involving race, gender, age and the other protected categories in the City’s Human Rights Ordinance. I took all the ADR training I could find, joined all the ADR organizations I could find, and volunteered to serve as a mediator or arbitrator wherever I could. That experience helped me do my job, and gave me the confidence to hang out a shingle in 1994 when the Mayor left office.

In your legal experiences, have you learned any life lessons you’d like to share with your fellow alumni and Wayne Law friends? I think I may have learned one lesson. It is audi alteram partem, hear the other side. If I had a motto it would be that, and I try to live up to it. I have to learn it over again each time I read one side’s brief or mediation summary and think I understand a case. But I try not to come to any conclusions until I have read the other brief or listened to the other side’s argument. I find it takes a certain amount of discipline.

In addition to being an adjunct faculty member, how do you stay connected to Wayne Law? I’ve been connected to WSU since I started as an undergraduate at the late Monteith College in 1969. I use the library for research; I’ve held hearings in the conference room; I have friends on the faculty and many friends who I went to school with. This place is part of who I am.

Anything else you’d like to share? I work in ADR today because of a lecture I heard at Wayne Law 30 years ago. Somebody brought in Laura Nader, an anthropologist at the University of California Berkeley and an expert on dispute resolution, to give a talk. I had never heard of ADR or Laura Nader and I don’t know why I went. I just saw a flier in the hall one day, wandered in and it changed the course of my life. I like being associated with a place where something like that can happen.

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Wayne Law Hosts Grand Rapids Alumni Event at Varnum Law

Wayne Law and the Grand Rapids Chapter of the Wayne Law Alumni Association recently hosted a special gathering with Wayne Law Dean Robert M. Ackerman at Varnum, Riddering, Schmidt & Howlett, LLP.

The event featured an address by the Dean and recognition of Wayne Law summer associates working in the Grand Rapids area, as well as hors d’oeuvres, cocktails and conversation.

For more information on how you might get involved in future events with the Law Alumni Association, please visit www.law.wayne.edu or contact Joye Clark at (313) 577-2161 or via email at ag9789@wayne.edu.

CLEO Honors Wayne Law Alumni

The Council on Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO) and The Midwestern Region 40th Anniversary Reception Committee recently honored two Wayne Law alumni as CLEO Legacy Diversity Awardees.

The Honorable Damon J. Keith, ‘56, was honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award and Kermit Bailer, ‘49, was honored (posthumously) with the Individual Leadership Award.

Dean Ackerman to Serve as WSU’s Faculty Athletic Representative

Wayne Law Dean and Professor of Law Robert M. Ackerman will serve as Wayne State University’s Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR). As such, he will be a point of contact between Wayne State University and the NCAA in the regular conduct of intercollegiate athletic programs. His duties, according to the NCAA, include “ensuring the academic integrity of the athletics program, the maintenance of the well-being of the student-athlete, and the institutional control of the athletics program.” He will act as the primary contact between faculty and athletics, and will attend league meetings as required.

5th Annual Mark Weiss Day at Comerica Park Raises More Than $12,500

More than 100 donors and guests came out to remember Mark Weiss and support the Mark Weiss Scholarship Fund on June 27, 2008, at Comerica Park. Guests enjoyed beautiful weather and the Detroit Tigers were victorious over the Colorado Rockies. Cass Community Services also arranged for clients to attend, many of whom were first-timers to Major League Baseball.

Please enjoy a couple of photo highlights from the event below.
Wayne Law is pleased to announce the appointment of Associate Professor Linda M. Beale as Director of Graduate Studies.

“On behalf of the Law School, I would like to congratulate Professor Beale on her appointment and thank her for undertaking another pivotal role at Wayne Law,” said Wayne Law Dean Robert M. Ackerman. “Professor Beale’s commitment to the success of this Law School and her dedication to providing students with the best opportunities possible make her an ideal candidate to lead our LL.M. program.”

As Director of Graduate Studies, Professor Beale is now responsible for overseeing a significant resource for practicing lawyers in Michigan – a program that provides advanced study in three popular fields of specialization including corporate and finance law, labor and employment law, and taxation. She will also continue in the classroom, teaching courses in partnership and income taxation.

Professor Beale received a B.S. degree in chemistry magna cum laude from Duke University, an M.A. and Ph.D. in linguistics from Cornell, where she was a Herbert Lehman Fellow, a J.D. summa cum laude from Cornell Law School, and an LL.M. in taxation from New York University.

Prior to her entry in law teaching, Professor Beale clerked with Judge Dorothy Nelson on the Ninth Circuit and worked at Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton in New York as a tax associate. Her work with Cleary’s many financial institution and multinational corporate clients included a wide range of tax issues such as securitizations, partnerships, and cross-border corporate mergers and acquisitions. She has also served as a congressional staffer, a Peace Corps volunteer in Colombia, and a university administrator at Binghamton University.

Professor Beale’s scholarship has focused on various aspects of corporate tax shelters, proposing more transparent financial reporting of aggressive tax transactions and higher standards for taxpayers and tax advisers as a means of discouraging the tax minimization norm that facilitates aggressive tax positions. Her scholarship can be accessed through SSRN at http://ssrn.com/author=83521.

She also maintains a blog, www.ataxingmatter.us, dedicated to discussion of tax and budgetary matters in the context of the demands of democratic egalitarianism. Professor Beale succeeds Professor Peter Henning, who graciously filled in as Director since Professor Stephen Calkins’ departure for the Provost’s Office in January 2008.

**New LL.M. Program Director Linda M. Beale**

Wayne Law second-year student Solomon Radner was recently appointed as the student liaison to the American Bar Association’s (ABA) White Collar Crimes Committee. Radner is the only student liaison to the White Collar Crimes Committee in the country, and is among only 64 law students nationwide chosen as 2008-2009 ABA student liaisons.

“I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Solomon on an outstanding accomplishment,” said Wayne Law Dean Robert M. Ackerman. “His appointment is an honor both to him and to the Law School. He is a great example of the caliber of students enrolled here at Wayne Law and will, no doubt, continue to make us proud in the future.”

Radner will serve a one-year term as student liaison, from August 2008 to August 2009. His duties will include writing articles for the ABA Student Lawyer magazine, submitting reports, attending ABA meetings, and serving as liaison between the ABA and law students interested in a practice that focuses on white collar crime.

According to the ABA, the student appointment process is very competitive due to the high volume of qualified applicants. In the past year alone, Radner has volunteered his time to work with a white collar criminal defense attorney, interned at the Federal Defenders Office in Detroit, and interned for Judge David Groner in the Wayne County Circuit Court, Criminal Division.

Radner expects to graduate from Wayne Law in 2010 but plans on gaining even more experience before then.

“I will be working for a criminal defense attorney this fall while attending school and plan to enroll in both Criminal Procedure I and the Advanced Criminal Topics Seminar at Wayne Law this fall,” Radner said. “I look forward to a long legal career and am very appreciative of the experience I’m gaining right now.”

He earned a bachelor’s degree in Talmudic Law from the Yeshiva College of the Nation’s Capital.

**Congratulations 2L Solomon Radner**
**Recent Faculty Accomplishments**

**Professor Linda M. Beale**'s paper entitled, “Tax Patents: At the Crossroads of Tax and Patent Law” was recently listed on SSRN’s Top Ten download list for BPA: Public Policy (Topic).

“Tax Patents: At the Crossroads of Tax and Patent Law” was also recently listed on SSRN’s Top Ten download list for SEIN Subject Matter Journals and Social & Environmental Impact Network.

She presented a paper at the annual Law and Society conference, May 29, in Montreal, called “Tax Practitioners as First Interpreters.” The paper considers statutory construction in the context of tax rules and asks how tax should be approached by practitioners in order to ensure a coherent analysis and push practitioners away from aggressive, loophole-exploiting interpretations.

**Professor Kingsley Browne** was a guest on “Kresta in the Afternoon” (Ave Maria Radio) on May 24 discussing his book, “Co-ed Combat.”

He spoke at the 20th Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society in Kyoto, Japan, on June 8. His talk was titled “Trust and Cohesion: Integration of Women into Military Combat Units.”

**Professor Stephen Calkins** presented “Consumer Law or Consumer Protection?” at the University of Houston Center for Consumer Law program on Teaching Consumer Law in Houston on May 23, 2008.

He gave a keynote address, “Do You Know Who I Am?” at the 4th Annual In-House Counsel Forum on Pharmaceutical Antitrust in National Harbor, Maryland on May 20, 2008.


He presented “Hot Topics,” at the ABA Antitrust Section Spring Meeting in Washington on March 27, 2008.

He served as program chair in “What Does It Take? Challenging Mergers that Involve Differentiated Products?”, at the ABA Antitrust Section Spring Meeting in Washington on March 26, 2008.


**Professor Gregory Fox** served as moderator in a panel discussion on Corporate Responsibility for Human Rights on May 20. The event was held at Ford World Headquarters by the Committee on International Human Rights of the State Bar of Michigan, of which Fox serves as chair.

On June 14-15, he attended a meeting in Stockholm, Sweden of authors for a book entitled “Exit Strategies and Peace Consolidation.” He is the author of the chapter on military occupation. The meeting was sponsored by Oxford University and the Folke Bernadotte Institute in Stockholm.

**Professor Noah Hall** spoke at the American Bar Association’s 2008 Eastern Water Resources Conference in Charlotte, N.C., on the topic of “ Interstate Water Management.”

He was the featured speaker at the Great Lakes Legislative Caucus Annual Meeting (Chicago, June 13, 2008) and led a discussion on “Federal and State Opportunities for Great Lakes Protection.”

**Professor Peter Hammer** gave the keynote address at a conference “Mainland Southeast Asia at its Margins: Minority Groups and Borders” sponsored by the Center for Khmer Studies in Siem Reap, Cambodia, March 17-18, 2008. The presentation was entitled “Development as Tragedy: The Asian Development Bank and Indigenous Peoples in Cambodia.”


He moderated a discussion for Detroit Public Television on May 10, 2008 following a public screening of a new documentary entitled “New Year’s Baby” about a Cambodian refugee’s travel back to Cambodia to piece together the unspoken secrets in her family’s history.

**Professor Michael J. McIntyre**’s paper entitled, “United Nations Code of Conduct on Cooperation in Combating International Tax Evasion” was recently listed on SSRN’s Top Ten download list for INT: International Institutions & Law: Compliance (Topic).

**Professor Dana Roach** was interviewed by Jimmy Womack on the Jimmy Womack Show on 107.5 FM on March 30, 2008 and discussed the Keith Collection and Treasure of Detroit.

She was the featured presenter at the Open City Meeting on April 15, 2008 discussing the Small Business Clinic and the free legal resources it provides to entrepreneurs. Open City is a forum for aspiring and current business owners to exchange ideas and information about doing business in Detroit.

She was the convener of the 7th Annual Transactional Law Clinic Faculty Conference. The Conference was held on April 25 at the McGregor Conference Center at Wayne State University. There were 35 Clinical Law Professors from around the country who teach Small Business and Transactional Clinics who attended the Conference.

She was a co-facilitator of a Working Group Session pertaining to Community Lawyering at the AALS Conference on Clinical Legal Education which took place from May 4-7 in Tucson, Arizona.

She will be giving a presentation at the Great Lakes Symposium on Clinical Scholarship & Best Practices which will be held at Michigan State University College of Law on Thursday, July 24 and Friday, July 25, 2008. She will be discussing Community Outreach and how to market a clinic.

**Professor Robert A. Sedler** published “The Media and National Security,” 53 Wayne Law Review 1025 (2007). This article will also be put online on SSRN.

His article, “The Constitution, the Courts and the Common Law,” was recently listed on SSRN’s Top Ten download list for LPP: Function of Legislatures.

His article, “The Michigan Supreme Court Diminishes the Right to Trial by Jury in Civil Cases,” was recently listed on SSRN’s Top Ten download list for LSCP: Trial Practice.

On April 13-14, he attended a meeting of the Commission on Social Action of Reform State University. There were 35 Clinical Law Professors from around the country who teach Small Business and Transactional Clinics who attended the Conference.

On April 13, he did an interview from New Orleans with Paul W. Smith on WJR-FM about the case of United States v. Fieger.

On April 16, he gave a speech at the Anne Braden Institute for Social Justice at the University of Louisville on the subject of “School Desegregation in Louisville and the Meredith decision.” (In the early ’70’s, while at the University of Kentucky, Professor Sedler was the lead counsel in the Louisville-Jefferson County desegregation case, which resulted in the desegregation of the merged city and county school systems.) While there, he also spoke to a combined Constitutional Law class at the law school on the subject of “Race and the Constitution.”
On April 26, Professor Sedler did an interview on the Lou Perry Radio Show, WLBY-AM in Ann Arbor on Sen. John McCain’s opposition in the Senate to amending the Equal Pay Act to provide that the time for bringing suit runs only after the pay inequality has been discovered, and so to overturn the United States Supreme Court’s 5-4 2007 decision in Ledbetter v. Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co.

He met with a delegation of 10 visitors from the Kyrgyz Republic on April 28, visiting the United States under the State Department’s International Visitor Program. The Kyrgyz Republic, commonly referred to as Kyrgyzstan, is a former Soviet Republic in Central Asia. The Kyrgyz people are Turkic and Moslem, and the Kyrgyz Republic is a secular state, with a Constitution that provides for separation of government and religion and religious freedom. The purpose of the delegation’s visit to the United States is to study Religion in a Secular Society, and Professor Sedler met with the delegation for 90 minutes, discussing the constitutional protection of religious freedom in the United States.

On Monday, April 28, Professor Sedler did an interview with Steven Clark on WXYZ-TV (Ch. 7) 7 p.m. news on the impact of the situation involving Reverend Jeremiah Wright on Sen. Barack Obama and the Democratic Party primary process. This was the evening after Reverend Wright spoke in Detroit at the annual NAACP Fight for Freedom Dinner at Cobo Hall.

On May 1, he made a presentation on “Religion, Politics, and Constitutional Values” at Wayne State University’s Society of Active Retirees (SAOR) program.

On May 3, as President of the Wayne State University Academy of Scholars, he carried the Ceremonial Mace and led the Academic Procession at the Wayne State University 2008 Commencement.

On May 17, he contributed to a discussion, “Should Detroit council try to oust mayor,” on the Editorial Page of the Detroit News. His position was entitled “Let the People Decide,” and argued that the council should not try to oust the Mayor.”

On May 20, he made a presentation on “Iraq and Vietnam: Some Comparisons and Some Differences” at the Adult Learning Institute of Oakland Community College/Elderhostel.

He, along with Attorney Godfrey Dillard is representing the City of Detroit in a suit in regard to the forfeiture proceedings initiated by the Detroit City Council against Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick. Professor Sedler has been interviewed extensively by the Detroit media in regard to this case and has appeared on a large number of radio and television newscasts.

Professor Alan Schenk recently taught at the University of Pretoria in South Africa. He taught there as part of the Africa Tax Institute, teaching tax administrators from about 14 African countries about Value Added Tax. He also served as Technical Advisor for the International Monetary Fund, assisting the tax services in South Africa and Botswana with the drafting of a new tax act – the Tax Administration Act.

To view faculty accomplishments online, visit http://www.law.wayne.edu/faculty/faculty_accomplishments.html.

To view Wayne Law faculty quotes in the media, visit http://www.law.wayne.edu/Professors_in_news.html.

For more information on the State Bar of Michigan Annual Meeting & Solo and Small Firm Institute, visit http://www.michbar.org/annualmeeting.cfm.

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The Hon. Damon J. Keith, ’56, of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, received an honorary degree at the 2008 Harvard University Commencement for his outstanding career in law.

Frederick “Fritz” Damm, ’68, has joined Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson & Feary as a partner in its newly established Detroit Office.

Lawrence J. Murphy, ’68, was recently featured in a June 2, 2008, article in the Grand Rapids Business Journal for his new role as managing partner at Varnum Riddering Schmidt & Howlett. Murphy has been with the firm 10 years, representing many of Varnum’s top clients in all aspects of labor and employment law.

Lou Kasischke, ’71, was recently featured in an article in the Detroit Free Press, relating a story about his courageous choice to turn back while climbing Mt. Everest due to a harsh storm that was approaching, which left four dead.

Murray R. Feldman, ’73, a senior shareholder in the Bloomfield Hills law firm of Strobl & Sharp P. C., has been elected Chairperson of the Workers’ Compensation Section of the State Bar of Michigan.

George G. Kemsley, ’73, a partner in the Detroit office of Bodman, was included in a listing of leading business litigation specialists in the inaugural April 2008 Corporate Counsel Edition of Super Lawyers. Kemsley represents banks, financial institutions, mortgage lenders and servicers, and other corporate clients in complex business litigation, including defense of class actions.

Margaret A. Coughlin, ’75, member of Dickinson Wright, recently was elected chair of the Eastern Michigan Chapter of the Air & Waste Management Association.

David F. DuMouchel, ’75, a shareholder of Butzel Long, was recently inducted into the International Society of Barristers, a society of trial lawyers chosen by their peers on the basis of excellence and integrity in advocacy.

Joan Mahoney, ’75, a law school professor and former dean of Wayne State University Law School, was recently featured in Crain’s Business Detroit in an article highlighting her as the first woman lawyer to join Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn L.L.P. (also in 1975).

Stephen O. Schultz, ’78, and Stephen J. Rhodes, ’86, announced recently the founding of Fahey Schultz Burzych Rhodes PLC located at 4151 Okemos Road in Okemos, Mich. The law firm was established by William K. Fahey, Schultz, Mark J. Burzych, and Rhodes earlier this year. The firm represents a range of private and public sector clientele centered on the use of “green technology.”

Neil Goodman, ’79, and Maxine Graff Goodman, ’79, a married couple practicing together for the first time, have formed The Goodman Law Group, P.C. in Farmington Hills – a “virtual law office.” They are adapting a proven business model, pioneered by professional services agencies in communications and creative fields, to the legal profession.

George W. Gregory, ’80, of the law firm Gregory W. Gregory P.L.L.C., has been designated as one of the top 100 lawyers in Michigan by Super Lawyers. Gregory has been listed with “Michigan Super Lawyers” for the practice of Trusts and Estates since 2006.

Michael J. Tauscher, ’80, has joined Scopelitis, Garvin, Light, Hanson & Feary as a partner in its newly established Detroit Office.

Robert E.L. Wright, ’80, an attorney-mediator in the Grand Rapids office of Miller Canfield, was recently elected chairman of the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Section of the Grand Rapids Bar Association. Wright has over 25 years’ experience in litigation for plaintiffs and defendants with particular emphasis in ADR and commercial litigation, including bankruptcy. He is listed in The Best Lawyers in America, 2006, 2007 and 2008 editions, as well as Michigan Super Lawyers 2006 and 2007 editions, for his work as a mediator.

Stanley H. Pitts, ’81, a partner in the Labor and Employment practice at Detroit-based business law firm Honigman, Miller, Schwartz, and Cohn LLP, has been re-elected to an additional one-year term as a member of the D. Augustus Straker Bar Association Board of Directors for 2008 – 2009. This will be Pitts’ second term as a member of Straker’s board of directors. At Honigman, Pitts’ practice focuses on defending corporations and other employers in family and medical leave disputes, discrimination and other employment matters.

Sandra D. Glazier, ’82, has joined the Bloomfield Hills office of Lipson, Neilson, Cole, Selzter and Garin P.C. as an attorney in the firm’s Estate Planning Group and Center for Estate Planning.

Michael A. Robbins, ’82, a Bloomfield Hills attorney who practices exclusively in Family Law, was recently elected President of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers-Michigan Chapter. Mr. Robbins will serve as President for the 2008-2009 year.

Alan E. Schwartz, ’83, a founding partner in the law firm Honigman, Miller, Schwartz, and Cohn LLP, was recently honored with the Judge Learned Hand Award by the metropolitan Detroit chapter of the American Jewish Committee.

Anne Widlak, ’83, a partner with Detroit-based employment law firm Nemeth Burwell P.C., was named a Fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America (LCA). The LCA is a trial lawyer honorary society comprised of less than one-half of one percent of lawyers in the United States. Fellowship in the LCA is by invitation only. Fellows are selected based upon effectiveness and accomplishments in litigation, both at the trial and appellate levels, and a superior ethical reputation.

Diane L. Akers, ’85, a partner in the Detroit office of Bodman, was included in a listing of leading business litigation specialists in the inaugural April 2008 Corporate Counsel Edition of Super Lawyers. Akers focuses her practice on business and commercial litigation and has substantial experience managing class actions and large, complex litigation matters.

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**Mark J. Bennett,** ’90, senior counsel at the law firm of Miller Canfield and leader of the firm’s Climate Change initiative, is lead author of a new publication called, “Current Critical Issues in Environmental Law: Green Buildings and Sustainable Development,” which was published by LexisNexis in June. It is a comprehensive resource for attorneys and other professionals working in the area of green building and sustainable development.

**Laura Talt,** ’92, has joined Lockton Companies, the world’s largest privately held insurance broker. Talt will serve as Vice President and Consultant for Lockton’s Employee Benefits operation in New York.

**Carl C. Wilson,** ’92, moderated a judicial forum for the Washtenaw County judicial candidates and a Michigan Supreme Court candidate in Ann Arbor on June 28, 2008. It was sponsored by People of Diversity United for Equality.

**David Galbenski,** ’93, past president of the Wayne State University Law School Alumni Association, became Chairman of the Global Board of Directors of the Entrepreneurs’ Organization on July 1, 2008. Galbenski, a member of the Entrepreneurs’ Organization’s Detroit chapter, is the President and CEO of Lumen Legal, based in Royal Oak. Since 1993, Galbenski has pioneered outsourcing solutions for corporate clients and law firms, and guided development of one of the industry’s most innovative database-driven human resource systems. He has been a member of the Entrepreneurs’ Organization since 1999, and has held numerous volunteer leadership positions within both the Detroit chapter and the global organization.

**James J. Boutrous,** ’95, Butzel Long attorney and shareholder, was one of the facilitators for an Alternative and e-Discovery roundtable discussion during the State Bar of Michigan Labor and Employment Section seminar entitled, “Spring” – Board on June 11, in Birmingham.
UPCOMING EVENTS

Law Adjunct Faculty Orientation and Reception
Monday, Aug. 18, 2008
Orientation: 4 – 6 p.m. in 3rd floor Faculty Lounge
Reception: 7 p.m. in 3rd floor Breezeway
Wayne State University Law School

Federalist Society Lecture
Professor Amy Wax, University of Pennsylvania
Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2008
11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.
Spencer M. Partrich Auditorium
Wayne State University Law School

Events are constantly being added to the events calendar. For a more comprehensive and updated list, please visit www.law.wayne.edu.

If you have an event you’d like to add to our calendar, please send an email outlining the event details to kcopenhaver@wayne.edu.

Fall On-Campus Interview Program
Aug. 18 through Sept. 26, 2008
Wayne State University Law School
Call (313) 577-3967 with questions.

Class of 1968 Reunion
Saturday, Nov. 1, 2008
Wayne State University Law School
Please call (313) 577-3113 for more information.

Mock Trial try-outs
Aug. 22, 23 and 24, 2008
Problem and sign up sheets will be available to Law School students near the end of July on TWEN.
Contact Kevin McGiness at kmcginess@wayne.edu with any questions or concerns.

Wayne State University Law School Journal of Law in Society Symposium
Thursday, Nov. 6, 2008
noon – 6 p.m.
Spencer M. Partrich Auditorium
Wayne State University Law School

Wayne State University Law School Honors Convocation
Friday, Nov. 14, 2008
5 p.m.
Community Arts Auditorium
Wayne State University
By invitation only.

State Bar Reception
Thursday, Sept. 18, 2008
4:30 - 6 p.m.
Dearborn Hyatt Regency
Please call (313) 577-0283 or email tanya.jordan@wayne.edu with questions.

23rd Annual Ambulance Chase
Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2008
Student Board of Governors event
Please call (313) 577-3919 or email lawsbg@wayne.edu with questions.

The 16th Annual Bernard Gottfried Memorial Labor Law Symposium
Thursday, Oct. 16, 2008
8:15 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Spencer M. Partrich Auditorium
Wayne State University Law School

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