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Alumni and friends of Queen’s Law:

After several months of enjoying your warm welcomes as I assume the role of Dean, it’s a small relief to be able to say I will soon be abdicating the role of “new kid” in a leadership role at our school.

This edition of Supporting Excellence will mark the last with Sheila Murray, Law’82, in the role of Chair of our Dean’s Council – and a warm welcome to David Sharpe, Law’95, stepping into that seat. I could not have asked for a better steward for the Dean’s Council than Sheila during this transition period – warm, welcoming, knowledgeable and tremendously supportive from the earliest days of my accepting the role. Sheila has been a leader on the Council and among our alumni for several years, and her guidance and support have been a constant boon to our school.

David has similarly been a stalwart supporter of Queen’s Law and in recent years a guiding force and strong voice in our drive to respect and commit to the principles of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. He has been a persuasive advocate for change, without losing hold of the character and values that make Queen’s Law unique among Canadian law schools.

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Freedman Award immerses students in Israeli law and culture

Thanks to a $250,000 endowment for the new Jeremy & Judith Freedman Award for Studies in Israel, financial support is now available to students selected for Queen’s Law's exchange with Tel Aviv University.

Benefactor Jeremy Freedman, Law’82, President of Chiefsrule Consulting Corporation in Toronto, was moved to make the donation because “Israel is a magical land; the birthplace of three major religions, and a country covered in the news almost daily. The Israel I know is a vibrant, multicultural democracy that applies a western-hemisphere-style rule of law.” He became determined to expose the next generation of lawyers to the Middle Eastern country’s people and culture.

“By enabling Queen’s Law students to visit and study in Israel,” he says, “I hope to foster a greater understanding of this fascinating country and the region in which it sits, and to encourage them to share their new insights within the broader Queen’s community.”

At Tel Aviv Law, exchange students study with peers from Israel and 20-plus other countries, take courses addressing global legal and social issues, and learn from internationally recognized faculty.

This fall, the first two Freedman Award recipients – Samuel Springer and Alex Solway, both Law’20 – travelled to Israel’s capital and financial hub to spend the term enriching their legal studies.

“The opportunity to participate in an international exchange in Tel Aviv is truly invaluable to me,” says Springer. “Growing up as a Jewish Canadian, I have always sought to deepen my spiritual, emotional and intellectual connection to Israel. This exchange with Tel Aviv University, one of Israel’s premier academic institutions, provides me with the ideal opportunity to combine my passion for academic excellence and the law with my desire to become increasingly connected to Israel and support the homeland of my ancestors.

“Like Alex, I am extremely grateful for the Jeremy & Judith Freedman Award,” he adds. “It helps to relieve financial pressures and will allow other Queen’s Law students to take full advantage of the opportunity to study in such an amazing country.”

Donors more than double Indigenous bursary

The Douglas Cardinal Bursary fund, which was established last year with a $100,000 leadership gift from David Sharpe, Law’95, has now grown to over $230,000. The award, a tribute to the world-renowned architect of Blackfoot/Algonquin/Métis heritage, provides financial support to two Indigenous law students each year. It’s a cause that’s clearly attractive to alumni and friends like those who keep contributing major gifts. Two of those donors are Al Pace and Kristin Morch, Pace Family Foundation. “We are delighted to be able to contribute to the success of Indigenous law students and hope they will go on to support their people and communities,” says Dean’s Council member Morch, Law’85. “We feel strongly that Canada is at a pivotal time to make a difference in rectifying past wrongs.”

Toronto firm memorializes Law’92 partner with bursary

Eric Hoaken, Law’92 (Artsci’88), was a proud Queen’s graduate who swiftly established himself as a top Toronto litigation lawyer and community leader after his 1994 call to the bar. During 25 years of practice, he became a mentor and supporter to a countless number of lawyers he worked with, met, and appeared against. Through a new needs-based award in his name, future law students will have the opportunity to follow in his footsteps. Lax O’Sullivan Lisus Gottlieb LLP, the firm in which he was a partner until his death on February 3, has donated $100,000 to establish the Eric Hoaken Memorial Bursary in Law.

“Eric was a tremendous partner, friend and mentor who added a great deal to the fabric of our firm and our lives,” his colleagues say. “We wanted to honour him in a way that would have been meaningful to him. Eric loved his Queen’s years and spoke often of the school and his experience there.”

The memorial LOLG chose is a bursary to help students with financial needs because “Eric believed he benefited greatly from his time at Queen’s and always wanted to help others.” As the firm says, “A bursary is a great way for us to contribute to others’ experience in his name and on his behalf. It is our privilege to be able to do so.”
After a 25-year career with Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP, Robert Yalden arrived at Queen’s on Aug. 1, 2018, beginning his appointment as the inaugural Stephen Sigurdson Professor in Corporate Law and Finance. His full-time career in academia got off to a running start: hours after Labour Day he was standing in front of 125 students, teaching Business Associations. In the winter term he taught Structuring Business Transactions and Corporate Finance, two courses he developed in the fall. “I designed these courses to expose upper-year students to fundamental themes and issues that are at the core of these areas of practice and to ensure that they get an initial taste of the legal agreements and deal documents that one has to master when advising businesses,” he says. “My goal is to ensure that students graduate with a strong framework and the analytic skills they can keep building on as they explore these areas after law school.”

This September he added a fourth course – Comparative Corporate Governance – that he prepared over the summer.

In addition to seeing the progress made by his “very talented mix” of JD students, Yalden also spent his first year supervising a PhD candidate, joined the Editorial Advisory Board of the Annual Review of Insolvency Law, and gave guest lectures or participated in panels at events held at the universities of Toronto, British Columbia and the West Indies.

Advancing his research this summer, he completed a paper on some significant issues facing the regulation of defence strategies deployed in mergers and acquisitions transactions. The paper reviews recent regulatory initiatives, legislative changes, and decisions from courts and securities commissions; examines the frequently conflicting policy perspectives that have shaped these developments; and suggests how policy-makers might develop a more consistent approach in future.

Other projects he’ll be continuing over the coming year include examining Canadian securities commissions’ rule-making power, and considering differences in the way directors’ fiduciary duties have evolved in Canada and other countries that Canada looks to for guidance.

Mohamed Khimji, entering his fourth year as the inaugural David Allgood Professor in Business Law, is deep into his groundbreaking project on shareholder democracy in public corporations. He carried out a key phase of his SSHRC-funded empirical study last fall as an Associate Research Scholar at Yale’s Center for the Study of Corporate Law, interviewing such financial market participants as investment firms, targets, law firms and proxy solicitors in New York and Connecticut. He employed qualitative methods to study shareholder activism as a phenomenon. “Ultimately,” he says, “legal rules set incentives and should encourage shareholder activism to the extent that it benefits capital markets, and vice versa.” The process of shareholder engagements and the outcomes in engagements not publicly announced were the two main issues he studied.

In September, Khimji was a panelist at the Global Shareholder Engagement and Activism Summit with Walied Soliman and David Katz on settlement agreements. “The Summit targeted institutional investors and corporates to discuss how shareholder activism is evolving around the world and how both sides can engage in the most productive ways possible to bring a win-win outcome,” he explains.

Khimji, Director of the Business Law Program at Queen’s, has also been busy organizing and hosting two fall-term signature events featuring Yale Law School speakers: the David Allgood Lecture in Business Law, presented by Henry Hansmann (“Single-Purpose Governments: Between Public and Private Enterprise’) and the Law’80 Lecture in Business Law by Zachary Liscow (“Democratic Law and Economics”).

In the classroom, he’s teaching Business Associations, Secured Transactions, M&A, and a fitting new Shareholder Activism seminar relating to his research. “We have a talented group of students with tremendous potential interested in business law plus distinguished alumni in the field who support the school,” says Khimji. “My favourite part of the job is working with students and alumni to develop our program with new courses and events. Facilitating student-alumni interaction in an academic setting is beneficial and provides our current students with opportunities to better project what a successful career in business law could be.”
Queen's Law Journal celebrates criminal law legend

The significant contributions of Professor Don Stuart (left) to criminal and evidence law were recognized at a March 19 campus symposium, “Contesting Criminal Law,” for which the Queen’s Law Journal (QLJ) convened some of the field’s leading scholars: Professors Stephen Coughlan (Dalhousie)(shown right), Janine Benedet (UBC) and Lisa Dufraimont (Osgoode). The papers they presented were among those being guest-edited by Professor Lisa Kelly for a QLJ symposium issue in Stuart’s honour, published in May. The panel and special issue were made possible by the Stuart Delisle Criminal Law Fund, which received an influential gift of $250,000 last year from renowned defence lawyer, Don Bayne, Law’69.

Lederman Visitor unravels the gig economy

By contracting casual workers, popular Internet platforms and apps like Uber are challenging labour laws, says Ron McCallum, AO, LLM’74, LLD’16 (far right). They’re part of the growing gig (‘sharing’) economy, a topic delved into by the internationally renowned labour law scholar during his residency as the William R. Lederman Visitor (Sept. 22-Oct. 1). How should labour laws respond? Should they mandate minimum benefits for gig economy workers? These were among the questions explored in his upper-year seminar and Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace presentation. His Lederman Lecture, “Deconstructing ‘Disabling’ in Legal Barriers,” described his life experiences and work as a special advisor to Australia’s Royal Commission into Persons with Disabilities.

The Lederman Visitorship in the former dean’s memory was established in 2017 with a generous donation from the Honourable Hugh Landerkin, QC, Law’67, who passed away on Sept. 23.

Goodmans supports transformation of legal skills introduction

This past year’s mandatory course instructing first-year students about the essential “toolkit” of lawyering skills has embraced even more active-learning teaching methods. The course uses compressed video units that students can watch (and rewatch) at their convenience. Lessons are “kernalized” into three 10-minute videos, like the one being shot left with Associate Dean (Academic) Erik Knutsen, each on a specific topic. Classroom time is interactive – students experimenting, drafting, and working with faculty and guest practitioners who offer expert feedback and consolidate what’s been learned. The Goodmans LLP Foundational Legal Skills Program has supported tutorials with top-flight legal practitioners; plenary sessions led by national experts; and valuable connections between first-year students and community legal clinic workers.
African doctoral researcher wins three CLCW fellowships to probe equity for workers with disabilities

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A timely and formative gift from David Sharpe, Law’95, is bringing to Queen’s a highly respected Indigenous scholar to lead a new program promoting reconciliation and Indigenous cultures on campus. As the donor says, “The benefit of the gift is multi-faceted, since it includes benefits to Queen’s Law, the Queen’s community as a whole, our Indigenous students and also First Nations.”

Sharpe, a member of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte, made his $250,000 donation to fund the Indigenous Knowledge Initiative (IKI), a three-year program aimed at integrating Aboriginal knowledge and wisdom into the academic environment and developing connections between Indigenous and non-Indigenous scholars. The IKI falls under the umbrella of Queen’s Truth and Reconciliation Task Force, which has developed 25 recommendations for sustained institutional change to create a more welcoming environment for Indigenous students, staff and faculty.

“Queen’s is doing much more with and for the Indigenous community than when I was a student (in the 1990s), but there is still more to be done,” says Sharpe. Part of that “more” is his gift enabling Queen’s to bring Indigenous scholar Dr. Mark Dockstator to campus this fall to lead the Indigenous Knowledge Initiative. Dockstator is a member of the Oneida Nation of the Thames and was the first Aboriginal Canadian to graduate with a doctorate in law. He recently completed a term as President of First Nations University of Canada in Regina, Sask. – five years that saw the school reach record levels of student enrolment. Sharpe would like to see that success at Queen’s.

“My hope is that Queen’s will be thought of as a leader on reconciliation and that the Initiative will draw more Indigenous students and academics here,” he says. “I see Mark Dockstator as the perfect person to bring the Queen’s and Indigenous communities closer together. He is very familiar with both the academic and Indigenous worlds.”

Dockstator is structuring the Initiative “to provide the basis of understanding of Indigenous peoples and to facilitate dialogue and discussion,” he says. “It is the opportunity to build more equitable relationships in pursuit of reconciliation.” He’ll decide exactly how the IKI will bring the two communities closer through a year-long consultation process with elders, Indigenous faculty and students, and Queen’s administrative leaders. The next two years will see the recommended programs launched and refined.

Sharpe believes access to post-secondary education is key to helping Indigenous students and their communities. His Queen’s Law degree, along with an MBA from Richard Ivey School of Business and a Master of Laws from Osgoode, led to a successful Bay Street career in the financial services industry. He is currently CEO of Bridging Finance Inc., one of the few alternative financing companies in Canada that fund First Nations and Inuit infrastructure projects. His keen interest in higher education is strengthened by his leadership role on the Dean’s Council; he begins his term as Chair on January 1.

“I have an opportunity to make a difference,” he says, “and the way I choose to do that is through education and economic development.” The Indigenous Knowledge Initiative is also supported by the Chief R. Donald Maracle Reconciliation/Indigenous Knowledge Fund that Sharpe established to honour the long-time chief of his First Nation.

Among the many actions already taken to implement the Queen’s Truth and Reconciliation Task Force recommendations is the permanent Indigenous art display in the Queen’s Law atrium. Intended to make the Indigenous community more welcome, it also honours both their legal traditions and the principles of reconciliation. So does a graduation gift from Law’18 (see page 19).

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In celebration of Bill Flanagan’s term as Dean of Queen’s Law – an unprecedented 14 years of transformation and growth (2005-2019) – alumni and friends have contributed over $520,000 to support one of his most dedicated and successful pursuits. An endowed award in his name will help fund a wide range of international study opportunities for Queen’s Law students as an increasingly essential part of the practice of law in a globalized world.

With their donation to the Bill Flanagan International Studies Award fund, contributors are also invited to post a note about how he affected their lives, to be displayed on a virtual wall. Several are already in place.

“Bill is a visionary who through perseverance, tact and hard work led the transformation of Queen’s Law to be among the best law schools in the country,” wrote David Allgood, Law’74, Past Chair of the Dean’s Council. “From the physical plant, to the faculty, to alumni support, to leading-edge online learning and [the pursuit of] Truth and Reconciliation, he has taken Queen’s Law to the next level plus one!”

“Bill Flanagan has done so much for the school, increasing its profile and its breadth,” wrote Justice Darla Wilson, Law’84. “Under his leadership, the law school has grown exponentially, and he has made all of us proud of our alma mater.”

“Bill’s obvious intelligence and initiative have greatly benefitted the law school,” added Jim Walker, Law’81. “And his enthusiasm for Queen’s Law is contagious! The school has been very fortunate to have had Bill as dean and that will have lasting benefit for years to come.”

During that deanship, which came to a close on June 30, Flanagan oversaw a 25 per cent increase in faculty, creation of the school’s PhD program, initiatives responding to the calls for action in the Truth and Reconciliation Report, establishment of innovative online undergraduate and graduate programs, and a dramatic expansion and relocation of clinical programs.

The school’s international law offerings, which went global in 2001, when he initiated the International Law Programs at the Bader International Study Centre (the “Castle”) in the U.K., continued to grow significantly during his deanship.

The Dean Bill Flanagan International Studies Award will be available annually to a JD student selected to attend the International Law Program at the Castle and/or participate in an international internship. This added support for Queen’s Law students on the global stage will reflect both Flanagan’s and the Faculty’s commitment to international perspectives in the study of law.

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“Bill’s thoughtful approach to change and to the growth of the school made him almost impossible to say no to,” she wrote for the virtual wall. “He did not see any limits, and as a result he encouraged everyone around him to reach higher. The reputation of the school has never been better.”

To make a gift to the Flanagan Award, please visit www.givetoqueens.ca/flanagan. Making your donation “in honour of Bill Flanagan” entitles you to write your own message about his leadership for our virtual wall at law.queensu.ca/flanagan-tribute
A long relationship becomes lasting
Thomson-Beaman planned gift will leave a ‘public’ legacy

After lengthy and distinguished careers in law and public service, former justices George Thomson, Law’65 (Arts’62), LLD’07, and his wife, Judith Beaman, Law’75 (Arts’71), were seeking a way to support the future of what they believe are two of the most important fields of law: public and constitutional law.

“Legal education around the Constitution of Canada and the Charter of Rights and Freedoms has been deeply important to both of our careers,” explains Thomson, who has been a judge, deputy minister in four Ontario ministries, and Deputy Attorney General of Canada. “We think the future of many public institutions in this country depends on a commitment to studies and to work in this area.”

They speak from experience, both having had front row seats to the significance of the rule of law throughout their careers.

Following graduation from Queen’s, equity-minded Beaman co-founded an all-female Toronto firm specializing in family and child protection law. Subsequently she served as legal policy analyst for Status of Women Canada, was appointed to Ontario’s Court of Justice (1998), served as Regional Senior Justice for Eastern Ontario (2008-14), and led the commission investigating broad harm caused by unreliable hair testing for drugs at Sick Kids’ Motherslab. She retired as a judge in 2016.

In addition to his Family Court and government years, Thomson led the National Judicial Institute, a body that educates Canada’s judges; was Skelton-Clark Fellow at Queen’s; led a sweeping inquiry into provincial welfare reform; and chaired Ontario’s first Citizens’ Assembly to consider electoral reform. He is currently Distinguished Fellow at Queen’s School of Policy Studies where he presented last year on “Policy Making and the Law: Confessions of a Government Lawyer.”

It was during his teaching years that he met Beaman, a Torontonian who had fallen in love with Kingston. Later lawyer Beaman appeared in Thomson’s court. The relationship that began not long after included cementing Queen’s Law as a special place for the couple.

It’s no surprise that the two have been financial supporters of the school since graduation, given the role it has played in their careers and their marriage. Thomson has served on the Dean’s Advisory Committee, and both have maintained contact with professors and deans. Beaman is this year’s winner of the school’s Cromwell Award for distinguished public service.

Recently, after contemplating ways to focus support on their special interests, they decided to make a planned gift to Queen’s Law using the eventual proceeds of a life insurance policy. This will broadly support the areas of public and constitutional law while giving their alma mater the flexibility to use the gift wherever it makes the most sense once the funds become available.

“We’re both committed to supporting institutions and organizations that promote the common good, especially benefiting disadvantaged people,” Beaman says. “This insurance legacy plan is an opportunity to build on the support we’ve already given over the years. It’s a good model for those who want to make a substantial gift but can’t set aside a large amount of money right now.”

For Beaman and Thomson, this planned giving option allows them to make an impact in an area of law they care about deeply, while leaving an enduring legacy at the school that left its mark on them.

— PHIL GAUDREAU

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Kingston couple and former justices George Thomson, Law’65, LLD’07, and Judith Beaman, Law’75, visit their alma mater, to which they have bequeathed an insurance gift to promote law for the common good.
Cunningham, Swan, Carty, Little & Bonham LLP presented a commemorative gift of $125,000 – $1,000 for every year since Arthur Cunningham first hung out the firm’s shingle in 1894 – to the Queen’s Law Clinics during the local firm’s anniversary celebration on June 18.

“This gift is a measure of our firm’s strong commitment not only to the Kingston area, but also to facilitating access to justice within it,” Andrea Risk, Law’99, Cunningham Swan’s managing partner, told the crowd. “We are thrilled to further signify our long-standing commitment to the Faculty of Law and especially its Queen’s Law Clinics that provide pro bono legal services needed in this community. It’s important to us that they continue offering excellent training for future lawyers.”

The timing of the gift couldn’t have been better for Karla McGrath, LLM’13, the Clinics’ Executive Director. “This is an extremely challenging time for any agency in Ontario that provides frontline services to the most vulnerable in our community,” she says. “Private support is becoming essential to the maintenance of basic services. And, while all support is important, this donation is especially meaningful because it comes from legal colleagues, who recognize the importance of our work and of our programs.”

The Queen’s Law Clinics have been a vital part of the school for almost 50 years and provide a range of essential legal services, free, to Kingston-area residents and prison inmates. Today they constitute five pro bono clinics operating in Kingston’s downtown: Queen’s Legal Aid (QLA) and the Business Law, Elder Law, Family Law and Prison Law Clinics. Annually, they handle over 1,200 files and involve some 200 students, providing vital legal services while concurrently offering student caseworkers valuable hands-on learning experiences.

At this anniversary mark, Cunningham Swan is a full-service firm consisting of 34 lawyers providing legal services to individuals, families, business and public sector clients throughout Eastern Ontario. Three former partners are currently on the bench. Twenty practitioners are Queen’s Law alumni, including senior partner R.A. ‘Bob’ Little, Law’61, who articled there 58 years ago, when brothers Ben and Willis Cunningham instilled their philosophy of “learn by doing.” Small wonder the firm was drawn to support growing the experiential clinics.

As Risk observes, “Practical clinical experience allows students to apply their knowledge to situations similar to those we deal with in private practice. Clinic students are required to analyze difficult legal issues and develop pragmatic solutions. They learn how to interact effectively with clients, counsel, courts and tribunals and acquire listening and interpersonal skills. Perhaps most importantly, they begin to see the legal system from the perspective of their clients and start to understand what, clients want and need from legal counsel. They bring these skills with them when they join our firm. That certainly facilitates the transition from being a law school student to being a practising lawyer.”

June 18 at The Isabel: Andrea Risk, Law’99 (middle), managing partner with Cunningham Swan, presents her firm’s gift to then-Dean Bill Flanagan and Karla McGrath, LLM’13, Executive Director of Queen’s Law Clinics. The cheque for $125,000 will “support the legal services that law students offer the community through the Queen’s Law Clinics and the excellent training that the clinics, in turn, provide to future lawyers.”
“My time at those clinics gave me my first practical glimpse into the legal profession,” he says. “I experienced for the first time what it meant to represent actual clients and help them through their complex issues.”

As a caseworker, he had advocated at tribunals, drafted wills and assisted small businesses with contracts and trademarks. Not surprisingly, his current role at Cunningham Swan is practising as a solicitor in the firm’s Business Law Group.

Silvia Cioci, Law’17, a family law lawyer with the firm, says she often reflects on the valuable lessons she learned as a student with the Queen’s Family Law, Elder Law and Prison Law clinics. “Those clinics’ distinct clientele,” she says, “give students a unique opportunity to develop file management skills before even starting their legal careers. The clinic directors and supervising lawyers encourage students to take responsibility for all aspects of their files, supporting student autonomy and creative problem solving.”

That experiential environment, she adds, “also gave me unmatched learning opportunities, be it arguing trials at the disciplinary courts of local prisons or successfully advocating my client’s position in family court documents. Clearly, Queen’s clinical programs solidified my aspiration to practise family law, as I do now at Cunningham Swan.”

Rob Maratta echoes the sentiments of many colleagues at the donation ceremony: “I am grateful to the Queen’s Law Clinics for providing me with this invaluable practical experience, but also for helping me first appreciate how rewarding it can be to make a positive impact in your community as a legal professional.”

One can imagine the Cunningham ancestors nodding approval.

The Queen’s Law Clinics also gratefully acknowledge the support of Legal Aid Ontario, the Law Foundation of Ontario, Pro Bono Students Canada, the Class of Law’81, the United Way of KFL&A, and alumni and industry sponsors.

Law’18 gift a daily reminder of reconciliation’s long-term challenges

“The road we travel is equal in importance to the destination we seek. There are no shortcuts. When it comes to truth and reconciliation, we are forced to go the distance.”

Those are the words of Indigenous Senator Murray Sinclair, expressed during his 2009-2015 tenure as Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada. Thanks to Law’18, those words are also one of the first things people will see when they enter the Queen’s Law building. For their graduating class gift to the school, Law’18 classmates funded the design, production and installation of the quote in silvery lettering on the east wall of the front entrance. They add to the Gowing Atrium’s art installation of Haudenosaunee wampum belts on the theme “words that are lasting.”

“Exhibiting the words of (then-)Justice Murray Sinclair in the atrium will provide a daily reminder to law students that the journey of reconciliation is far from over, and that they have an important role to play in maintaining its momentum,” says Katrina Crocker, Law’18 Class President.

Law’18 classmates raised a total of $6,900, mainly through social events over their three years in law school. They anticipate they’ll be contributing surplus funds from their class gift campaign to another important cause, Law’s Thank Q Fund Bursary.

Law’80-funded panel projects the future of corporate litigation

What’s a typical day in the life of a corporate litigator? How are technology and alternative dispute resolution mechanisms affecting day-to-day practice? Is a career in corporate litigation right for me? On Feb. 4, students got answers to these questions at the “Future of Corporate Litigation” panel. Part of the third annual Careers in Business Law series made possible by a generous gift from the Class of Law’80, the panel event was a collaboration between Queen’s Corporate Law Club and Queen’s Business Law program. It featured partners from three of Canada’s top business law firms: (l-r) Kent E. Thomson, Law’82 (Artsci’79), Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg LLP; Erin Hoult, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP; and R. Paul Steep, Law’80 (Artsci’77), McCarthy Tétrault LLP and Dean’s Council member.

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Since the first Law graduations in the 1960s, alumni have demonstrated pride in their school and their commitment to supporting future students by initiating class gifts. Over the years, a total of 45 classes have launched campaigns, most of them ongoing with greater goals today.

The Class Giving Wall, located in the much-travelled hallway to the law students’ lounge, honours all classes whose cumulative donations to a designated class gift total $25,000 or more.

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### Law’67 moves beyond half-way in its 50th anniversary pledge

After celebrating their own 50th anniversary and the 60th anniversary of Queen’s Law in 2017, Law’67 classmates were inspired to launch a class gift campaign to help current and future generations of students. They established a needs-based award: the Law’67 Class Bursary. To date, they have raised more than 50 per cent of their $50,000 goal and are well on their way to meeting their target by their next milestone anniversary in 2022.

### Law’81’s three latest clinical supports

Since establishing the Law’81 Clinical Programs Fund in 2007 to celebrate the school’s 50th anniversary, classmates have contributed a total of $140,000. This year’s funds were used in three ways: to help purchase new terminals and monitors for the student workroom, to support the Queen’s Prison Law Clinic’s new mentorship program, and to top up the Queen’s Legal Aid Access to Justice fund.

### Law’86 ups its bursary fund target to $175k

To celebrate their 30th anniversary in 2016, Law’86 classmates launched their first campaign to create an endowed bursary to support JD students with financial needs. Their target: $100,000. Having surpassed that goal by raising $120,000, the class has set an ambitious new target of $175,000 before 2021, their 35th anniversary. The first Law’86 bursary was awarded this year to a second-year student who is not only the first in her family to attend law school, but the first to attend university.
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During her busy academic year, Caribbean PhD candidate Alicia Elias-Roberts’ new research produced several new chapters for her dissertation, plus contributions to topical publications and international conferences.

For the Commonwealth Law Bulletin, she co-authored “CARICOM, the CSME, and absolute sovereignty: lessons facing EU-CARICOM challenges of Trade, Transnational law and Governance Conference (October 2018), co-organized with Houston U.K.; the Caribbean Energy Policy, Societies, and Law Ostfalia University, Germany, and Coventry Law School, co-organized with Brunswick European Law School of Graeme Mew, Ontario Superior Court of Justice; and Paul Justice Susan Chapman, Ontario Court of Justice; Justice WeirFoulds LLP partner and Dean’s Council member; prominent lawyers and judges: (l-r) Frank Walwyn, Law’93, and Professional Responsibility Program was a panel of Kicking off this year’s McCarthy Tétrault LLP Legal Ethics to topical publications and international conferences. She presented at three conferences organized by her home University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago: the EU-CARICOM Law Conference (September 2018), co-organized with Brunswick European Law School of Graeme Mew, Ontario Superior Court of Justice; and Paul Justice Susan Chapman, Ontario Court of Justice; Justice WeirFoulds LLP partner and Dean’s Council member. During Orientation they addressed the entire first-year class. 2018-19 McCarthy Visitors Council member. During Orientation they addressed the entire first-year class.

McCarthy Tétrault Program promotes legal ethics and professionalism

Kicking off this year’s McCarthy Tétrault LLP Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility Program was a panel of prominent lawyers and judges: (l-r) Frank Walwyn, Law’93, WeirFoulds LLP partner and Dean’s Council member; Justice Susan Chapman, Ontario Court of Justice; Justice Graeme Mew, Ontario Superior Court of Justice; and Paul Sheep, Law’80, McCarthy Tétrault partner and Dean’s Council member. During Orientation they addressed the entire first-year class. 2018-19 McCarthy Visitors Council member. During Orientation they addressed the entire first-year class.
Osler BizBasics gets even more innovative

Innovation guided by people, process and technology is how the practice of business law is embracing the changing legal landscape. Students got an in-depth view of how it all works from two Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP representatives: Simon Wormwell, Chief Knowledge and Innovation Officer, and Jennifer Cao, Law’17, a junior associate. In this third of four BizBasics sessions funded, hosted and co-organized by Osler in 2018-19, they also explored the growing sophistication of client demands and discussed what big firms are doing to make the legal market more accessible. In addition to an overall introduction, other sessions covered soft skills and mindfulness. As proof of the series’ continuing popularity, 46 students received Osler certificates for participating in all sessions.

Torys intern taught asylum seekers to self-advocate

Gabrielle Rekai, Law’21 (middle), spent the summer in Tijuana, Mexico, a major entry point to California for multinational migrants. As an intern with the border-right workshops of NGO Al Otro Lado, she helped the migrants and refugees learn their legal rights, the law’s application to their individual cases, and what to expect of the asylum-seeking process in the U.S. In short, the free workshops teach asylum seekers to be their own advocates. “Most of those I worked with will not have access to legal representation across the border,” Rekai explains; “many will fight their cases from within detention centres. Furthermore, current U.S. ‘deterrence’ politics and policies like ‘metering’ intentionally serve as barriers to the law, making this process more challenging.” Becoming involved with “movement lawyering” taught her how legal professionals can contribute to social justice movements by educating and empowering individuals. “Going forward,” she says, “I intend to pursue advocacy training so I can help broaden pathways for people to access justice.” Rekai and eight classmates were supported through the Torys Public Interest Summer Internship Awards program.
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On May 23, then Dean-designate Mark Walters, Law’89 (2nd right), and Dean Bill Flanagan (far right) met with Dean’s Council members (l-r) David Sharpe (Vice-Chair), Sheila Murray (Chair), Richard Tory, Betty DelBianco, Stephen Shamie, Kelley McKinnon, Paul Steep, Janet Fuhrer, Alan Whyte, Frank Walwyn, Jennifer Keenan, David Allgood, (Past Chair); Peter Brady, Peter Griffin, Anton Sahazizian, and Paul Marcus (Development Counsel). NOT SHOWN: James Dorr, Kristin Morch and Patrice Walch-Watson.

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Nigel Masenda, Law’20, received 2019’s national Black Law Students’ Association Scholarship for supporting and enhancing academic and professional opportunities for black law students. The President of BLSA-Queen’s, he considers it a group honour: “It is a reflection of our team’s hard work and the bright future of our chapter.”

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