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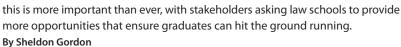


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Raynell Hodge, Law '14, practises her argument for the 2013 Jessup International Law Moot while opposing counsel Laura Robinson, Law '14, looks on in the Macdonald Hall Moot Courtroom.

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his is a time of significant changes in legal education and new strategic directions at the Faculty of Law. Foremost among these changes is an increased focus on preparing our students for the rapidly evolving complexities of the practice of law.

Arguing that most law schools give only "casual attention" to teaching students how to apply legal thinking in the actual practice of law, the groundbreaking 2007 Carnegie Report *Educating Lawyers: Preparing for the Practice of Law* challenged law schools to expand opportunities for direct training in professional practice.

Six years later, law schools across North America continue to respond by sharpening their focus on experiential learning opportunities for their students. For all of us, the goal is to better integrate theory and practice by combining academic inquiry with actual experience.

We are proud of our long history – 40-plus years – of experiential learning at Queen's, beginning with Queen's Legal Aid, established in 1971, followed by the Correctional Law Project (1973) and Clinical Family Law (1977). In another form of hands-on learning, teams of student editors have been working on our *Queen's Law Journal* since it was established in 1971. This year's *Queen's Law Reports* includes interviews from many alumni who recall these experiences at Queen's as among their most valuable as a student.

Responding to the Carnegie Report challenge, we have recently expanded our clinical offerings; creating the Queen's Business Law Clinic in 2009 and Elder Law Clinic in 2010. Likewise, we have expanded our popular competitive moot court offerings and internship programs.

Queen's Law is also undergoing renewal with the drafting of a new strategic plan that will guide the Faculty for the next five years. A multi-stakeholder committee of faculty, staff, students and alumni has been hard at work over the past six months, engaging in broad consultations.

As you will read inside, the law school is in a strong position. 2012-13 was a record year for fund-raising, topping \$2 million. For the second year in a row, *Maclean's* ranked Queen's among the top three common-law schools in the country. For our students, we continue to have one of the highest articling placement rates of any law school in Canada. Above all, Queen's Law continues to be enriched by its long and deep association with a devoted group of alumni, now almost 7,000 strong.

Our new strategic plan will build on these strengths, expanding our student programs and research footprint. As I embark on my third term as Dean of Law, I am grateful for the support of so many of you over the past nine years and look forward to working with all of our talented and dedicated students, faculty and alumni, as we continue to build on the school's proud legacy.

Bill Flanagan

Dean and Professor of Law

### Professor Stuart wins top Canadian criminal justice award

Professor Don Stuart was the 2012 winner of the G. Arthur Martin Criminal Justice Medal from the Criminal Lawyers' Association (CLA). The award, for outstanding contributions to criminal justice in Canada, was presented in Toronto last November at the CLA's annual meeting.

"I'm so honoured," said Stuart, "to receive this award named for a gentleman who in every sense devoted his life to enhancing the role of defence counsel and then, as a Court of Appeal judge, strove to make our justice system principled and better."

Stuart, who has been teaching criminal law, criminal procedure and evidence at Queen's since 1975, has been editor of *Criminal Reports* since 1982 and produces the *National Judicial Institute Criminal Essentials*, an e-letter for judges. He has written or co-authored leading texts and casebooks and numerous articles.

His previous honours for these contributions include the Canadian Association of Law Teachers' Award for Academic Excellence in 1998, the Ontario Bar Association's Mundell Medal for Legal Writing in 2007, the Phil Baker Award for Contributions to Criminal Justice in Kingston in 2008, and LSS Teaching Awards in 2006 and 2009.

A Rhodes Scholar who studied criminal law at both Cambridge and Oxford (PhD), Stuart has always had a strong sense of justice – a "pro-accused bias," he calls it — rooted in what his international education showed him about the imbalance of power between the individual and the state and the abuses that can flow from that, something well illustrated by apartheid in his native South Africa. "When I grew up I realized how evil that dictatorial apartheid system was."

One of Stuart's former students, David Stratas, Law '84, now Justice of the Federal Court of Appeal, spoke at the award ceremony. "Through his teaching and publishing, he has built an entire generation of criminal lawyers and criminal law academics. Don has some strong views about the criminal justice system and he's never been shy to express them, sometimes forcefully."

Following the ceremony, Queen's Law held a reception at the National Club for alumni, friends, faculty, staff and Stuart family members (wife Pam and daughter Joanne, Law '03).



Professor Don Stuart addresses the audience at a Toronto reception held in his honour as winner of the G. Arthur Martin Criminal Justice Medal.

David Finley, Law '84, Deputy Director, Crown Law Office (Criminal), was among former students paying tribute to Stuart. "Don's passion has been caring about people's fair and just treatment. Such concerns have been manifested in his long-standing commitment to the principled development and application of criminal justice and the vigorous defence of constitutional rights."

Rob Thomson, Law '13, LSS President 2012-13, added, "At first it's exciting just to be taught by a criminal law great who has been cited frequently by the Supreme Court of Canada, but, as we all know, Professor Stuart is much more than an academic to his students; he is also a continuous source of support and mentorship."

— GEORGIE BINKS

The new Don Stuart-Ron Delisle Criminal Law Fund, launched to support the Faculty's criminal law programs, was first used in October 2013 to host a visit by retired SCC Justice Ian Binnie, who lectured on "Advocacy" and gave the Faculty seminar "Random Reflections on the Supreme Court." Read more about the Fund at http://law.queensu.ca/alumni/NewFacultyInitiatives.html



Professor Nick Bala, FRSC, Law '77

## Professor Bala elected to Royal Society of Canada

Professor Nick Bala, Law '77, has been named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada (RSC). Fellowship in the RSC, granted on the basis of peer nominations and selection, is one of the highest recognitions for Canadian academics in the arts, humanities, and the social and natural sciences.

Bala, a family law scholar known internationally for his expertise about children and parents involved in the justice system, has been a professor at Queen's since 1980. Much of his work is interdisciplinary and collaborative. His research focuses on the needs and rights of children and youth, such as adolescent offenders and those in the middle of high-conflict

separations, as well as issues related to vulnerable adults, including victims of spousal violence and family litigants unable to afford lawyers.

Bala becomes the third legal scholar inducted into the RSC from Queen's, the first two being the late J.A. (Alec) Corry, former Queen's Principal and founding Law Faculty member, and the late William Lederman, first Dean.

"It's a huge honour to follow in their footsteps," Bala says.
"I believe my election as a Fellow reflects the growing academic reputation and strength of the Law School at Queen's University, and so I am sure that other colleagues

will be inducted in future years."

Two Queen's professors cross-appointed to Law are also RSC Fellows: sociologist David Lyon, Director of the Surveillance Studies Centre, and Will Kymlicka, Canada Research Chair in Political Philosophy.

Established as Canada's national academy by Act of Parliament in 1882, the Royal Society helps to promote Canadian research and scholarly accomplishment and also advises governments, NGOs, and Canadians on matters of public interest. "I look forward very much to engaging in those activities," says Bala.

— LISA GRAHAM

#### Former Deans Adell and Carter win Canada's top labour law award at Laskin Gala

Bernie Adell and Don Carter, both professors emeriti and former Deans of Law at Queen's, received 2013 Bora Laskin Awards at a gala dinner in Toronto on October 22. The double honour, presented by Lancaster House and the U of T, recognizes each recipient's outstanding contributions to Canadian labour law.

"This means a lot to me," says Adell, "but it also recognizes what Queen's has done in this field over the past half-century." Agreeing the award is a "great honour," Carter, a Law '66 graduate, says, "I feel very fortunate to be recognized for just doing what I have always enjoyed doing."

Adell has been a labour law teacher, writer and editor for 50 years. He was Dean of Queen's Law from 1977 to 1982; has written on a wide range of labour law topics, notably industrial conflict and the interface between collective and individual rights; and has been an editor of the national labour law casebook since its first edition in 1970. Today, he remains widely known as Editor-in-Chief of the *Canadian Labour and Employment Law Journal*.

Carter has served the labour law community as a teacher, scholar, adjudicator, mediator, public policy consultant, and administrator. He directed Queen's School of Industrial Relations 1985-90, presided over the Canadian IR Association 1991-92, and was Dean of Queen's Law 1993-98. He also sat on numerous labour relations tribunals, published many articles and monographs, edited *Labour Arbitration Cases* 1972-2003, and is an editor of *Labour Arbitration Xpress*.

Ron McCallum, AO, LLM '74, Professor Emeritus and former Dean of Law at the University of Sydney, spoke at the Laskin



Professors Emeriti Bernie Adell (left) and Don Carter, Law '66 (right), with Bora Laskin Award presenter Professor Anil Verma of U of T at the ceremony held in Toronto on October 22

gala. "Professors Adell and Carter are truly worthy recipients," he said. "Their scholarship and respective contributions to Canadian public policy are legendary. And they not only maintain strong ties with Queen's Law themselves, but inspire the same in those they teach." He called himself "one of thousands of students in Canada and beyond who have been privileged to study with these two giants."

For the past five decades, McCallum continued, "Queen's University has been Canada's most significant centre for the study of labour law, and adding its Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace continues this scholarship." Not surprisingly, both Laskin honourees were closely involved in founding the CLCW, the Law Faculty's first research centre, and they continue to support it as expert advisors. - K. M.

#### Professor Robinson's 'most innovative' study wins international criminal law prize

Research by Professor Darryl Robinson has won him the latest Antonio Cassese Prize for International Criminal Law Studies. The biennial prize, worth €15,000 (\$20,500 Cdn), recognizes the most innovative paper published in the distinguished *Journal of International Criminal Justice (JICL)* in the prior two years and is intended to fund the winner's chosen research or publication project. It was presented to Robinson at a ceremony in Florence, Italy, on May 31.

He told the gathering he was "particularly touched" because the honour came from a community of leading ICL scholars and because the prize commemorates Antonio Cassese, "a muchloved leader in the field, known for his (continued on pg.4)



Professor Darryl Robinson at the European University Institute in Florence, Italy, with award presenters Sylvia Cassese and Professor Sarah Cleveland of Columbia University

humanistic approach." Cassese, who died in 2011, played a pioneering role in shaping international criminal law. As the first president of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, he showed that the international system was capable of capturing and trying war crimes suspects regardless of their rank or influence.

Robinson's winning article examined the controversies surrounding 'self-referrals,' whereby states invite international tribunals to prosecute mass atrocities committed in their territories. His paper, described by JICL adjudicators as "brilliant" and "compelling," dissects popular criticisms of such self-referrals.

Robinson will use his award to engage researchers for a book titled International Criminal Law as Justice, to be published in 2015 by Cambridge University Press. This project heralded as "ambitious and visionary" by the award granters — is about "making sure that international criminal law doctrines are fair," Robinson says. "Fundamental principles of justice familiar from national systems must be respected, but they may also need to be reformulated in the international context of mass collective crimes and collapsed societies." The book will refine doctrines such as command responsibility and superiors' orders that figure prominently in war crimes - SHELDON GORDON trials.

#### Professor Cockfield advances tax law scholarship as Fulbright Visitor to U of Texas



Professor Art Cockfield, Law '93, giving media commentary on tax evasion at U of Texas

Professor Art Cockfield, Law '93, who was awarded a 2013 Fulbright Visiting Research Chair in Policy Studies, spent January to May making presentations and pursuing his tax research at the University of Texas at Austin. The Canada-U.S. program, one of several international visitorships founded by late U.S. Senator William Fulbright, supports prominent

Canadian scholars wishing to collaborate, research, and lecture at select American universities. Another goal is to encourage public debate on issues relevant to both countries.

At U of Texas, Cockfield worked with scholars in both the School of Law and the Department of Government. "The Fulbright experience definitely helped further my research," he says, "because I had remarkable opportunities to speak with American professors about different U.S. tax laws and policies that directly impact the focus of my work." As a result, he had articles published in the Virginia Tax Review, the Columbia Tax Journal (with Jonah Mayles, Law '07) and the Canadian Tax Journal; wrote the book An Introduction to Legal Ethics (LexisNexis); and co-authored Taxing Global Digital Commerce (Kluwer).

Cockfield's expertise in offshore tax evasion earned widespread attention during his time in Austin. He served as a legal consultant for both the CBC and the Auditor General of Canada on related policy concerns. His work for the CBC on a tax-haven data leak was covered by the media at home and abroad, appearing in the Huffington Post and such influential publications as the Guardian (U.K.), Der Spiegel (Germany) and the Nigerian Tribune. - KAITLIN SHUNG

#### **University rewards Professor Walters'** grad student supervision

At the 2012 Fall Convocation, Professor Mark Walters, Law '89, received the Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Supervision. The annual award, given by Queen's School of Graduate Studies, recognizes professors for outstanding achievements as researchers and mentors. As the first Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research at Queen's Law, Walters was instrumental in launching the Faculty's doctoral program in 2009. Since 2003, he has supervised about onesixth of the Faculty's 70 graduate students. "What motivates me most," he says, "is knowing they are the next generation of legal scholars, and their work is cutting edge."



Professor Mark Walters is applauded by Chancellor David Dodge (left), Principal Daniel Woolf and Queen's faculty members after receiving the 2012 Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Supervision.

#### Queen's Law hosts launch of Hart's influential *The Concept of Law* (3rd ed.)

On February 25, Queen's Law celebrated the publication by Oxford University Press of the third edition of H.L.A. Hart's The Concept of Law. This edition features an introduction and notes by Professor Leslie Green. The book, first published in 1961, is widely recognized as the 20th century's most important work of legal philosophy and remains the introduction to the subject for most students.



Legal theory experts who participated in the discussion about the work and life of H.L.A. Hart at the book launch: Professors Christine Sypnowich (Queen's Philosophy), Wil Waluchow (McMaster Philosophy, Hart's last doctoral student), Leslie Green (Oxford and Queen's Law), and Christopher Essert (Queen's Law).



#### Portrait of Canada's first PM unveiled in Macdonald Hall

After leading the Sir John A. Macdonald Walk through downtown Kingston on September 26, 2012, SCC Justice Thomas Cromwell, Law '76, LLD '10 (left), returned to his alma mater to unveil a full-length portrait of Canada's first Prime Minister – a gift to Law from Monty Sennett, Com '49, of Arizona (represented by classmate Mel Prideaux, Arts '49 (second right). Cromwell said Macdonald exemplified the ideal of public service for members of the Bar and expressed his hope that "every time we walk past this portrait, we'll hear Sir John say, 'What have you done for your community lately?" Other participants in the 5th floor unveiling were Associate Dean Stan Corbett, Law '95, and Arthur Milnes, Artsci '88, the Macdonald Bicentennial Commissioner.

#### Winning moot season capped by trio of silver victories

2013 highlights include:

- 2nd-place finishes for teams competing in the Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot (Canadian round), Arnup Cup, and Mathews Dinsdale and Clark Canadian Labour **Arbitration Moot Competition**
- Top 32 placement among 290 teams from 67 countries in Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot
- 9 oralist awards
- · 4 factum awards



2013 Jessup International Law Moot team: Student coach Jackie Day, Law '13; oralists Katherine Metcalfe, Law '13, and Raynell Hodge, Law '14; Professor Darryl Robinson, faculty coach; oralists Laura Robinson, Law '14, and Kati Aubin, Law '13; and team researcher Julia Lauwers, Law '14. After winning 2nd place in the Canadian round hosted at Queen's, the team advanced to the global rounds in Washington, DC, where Katherine and Kati tied for 21st place among 800 competing for "best oralist" in the world honours.



#### LSS awards for excellence in teaching

Dean Bill Flanagan (second from right) in the Student Lounge on March 26 with last year's LSS Teaching Award recipients: Professor Tsvi Kahana; Justice David Stratas, Law '84; Justin Connidis, Law '79; and Professor Josh Karton



#### FLSQ linked women's health and equality

The weekend of March 1-2, Feminist Legal Studies Queen's (FLSQ) hosted a conference on "Bodies of Law: Women's Health & Equality," featuring presenters from Australia. Shown at the University Club are Professor Kathy Lahey, FLSQ co-director; Professor Patti Peppin, conference convener; the keynote speakers, Professors Belinda Bennett (Sydney) and Isabel Karpin (Technology, Sydney); and Professor Bita Amani, FLSQ co-director.



#### **Client Counselling team honours coach**

In recognition of her 10+ years coaching students for the Client Counselling Competition, Sue Miklas, Law '88 (3rd from left), received a special plaque at the Queen's-hosted event from this year's student team members and researchers: John McIntyre, Law '14, Jillian Burford-Grinnell, Law '14, Diana Weir, Law '13, Tony Paciocco, Law '14, Joanna Hunt, Law '14, and Christina Jabbour, Law '13. Both Queen's teams advanced to the finals.

#### 'Coming home' from Rideau Hall to **Macdonald Hall; Governor General visits**

Governor General David Johnston, Law '66, LLD '91, a former faculty member, visited Queen's on October 13, 2012, to speak with Law students and professors, give a public lecture, and receive the Queen's University Alumni Association's (QUAA's) highest tribute to its members: the annual Alumni Achievement Award. "I've come back home – it's wonderful!" he told a capacity crowd in Macdonald Hall.

That evening at the QUAA Awards Gala in Ban Righ Hall, he accepted his award as a "graduate who has shown distinction in his career and contributed uniquely to society." In accepting, Johnston said, "I thank Queen's for all that it has done, not only for me personally and for all of us (here), but also for this city and this country. ... All alumni know that Queen's University is more than a place to obtain a quality education, more than a place that conducts leading research. It is a home."



During his 2012 campus visit, Governor General and Law grad David Johnston "came home" for a discussion with the Queen's Law community.

#### **Justice Abella gives** capacity audience "Anything but a Lecture"

On February 25, Queen's Law welcomed Supreme Court Justice Rosalie Abella (pictured with Dean Bill Flanagan) to a packed classroom in Macdonald Hall. An engaging and frank speaker, she drew on personal anecdotes and experiences to answer questions about career navigation, access to justice and the future of the legal profession.





#### Legal theorist lectures on Dworkin's work

On March 13, Professor Jeremy Waldron of Oxford and NYU's School of Law (pictured with Visitors' Committee co-chair Professor Cherie Metcalf, Law '02, and Dean Bill Flanagan), delivered the Corry Lecture "Jurisprudence for Hedgehogs" about the work of his faculty colleague, the late Ronald Dworkin.

#### SCC Chief Justice visits Oueen's Law



SCC Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin, with Dean Flanagan, meets students in the student lounge following her informal discussion.

Beverly McLachlin, Chief Justice of Canada, received a warm welcome from the Queen's Law and Kingston communities on September 27. Before arriving at the law school, she led a walking tour of the city's historical sites as part of the lead up to the 2015 bicentennial celebration of Sir John A. Macdonald's birth. Several Law students and faculty participated. At Macdonald Hall, she spoke informally about the importance of preserving Canada's strong justice system, before meeting students for a luncheon.

#### Law enjoys "Meet and Greet" with Alberta Premier

Dozens of Queen's Law students, faculty and staff gathered in the student lounge on November 26, 2012, to meet Alberta Premier Alison Redford. Her campus visit, including a public lecture on civic engagement at Wallace Hall, was organized by her Chief of Staff, Law '96 alumnus Farouk Adatia.

After recalling her mid-'80s year on campus as an Arts student, she said, "I think what is so fantastic about this institution is that it really almost doesn't matter when you attended; the traditions carry on forever."

A lunch followed in the lounge, where Adatia met with law students. "It's clear," he said, "that the history and tradition of Queen's in Alberta generally is very, very strong. When I was here, we were quite a small group. To see so many more students here from Alberta is fantastic."



Premier Alison Redford takes questions from the audience in Macdonald Hall's student lounge.



Farouk Adatia, Law '96, Redford's Chief of Staff

# Q&A with Bill Flanagan, first Queen's Law Dean appointed to a third term

On July 1, Bill Flanagan began his third term as Dean of Law. Under his leadership since 2005, the Faculty's progress has included a number of milestone achievements. The Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace was founded. New clinical programs in Business Law and Elder Law have been launched, along with a PhD program in Law and combined degree programs with Queen's School of Business and the Department of Economics. International programs have been dramatically expanded, and annual donations have more than quadrupled. In each of the last two years, Queen's has been named among the top three Canadian common-law schools by the Maclean's Law School Rankings, the highest standing for the school since the list was first published in 2007.

*Queen's Law Reports'* Editor sat down with Dean Flanagan to talk about his deanship to date and plans for the next five years.



**QLR**: After moving up steadily in the Maclean's commonlaw-school rankings, Queen's was just named number three for the second year in a row. What do you see as the major factors driving this placement?

**BF:** The rankings consider a number of factors, including the number of times faculty members are cited in law journals, the number of Queen's graduates who are professors at other Canadian law schools, and the number of Queen's graduates who have clerked at the Supreme Court of Canada. These factors are all key indicators of the quality and reputation of our program. I am delighted that we ranked third in faculty citations and faculty hiring and fourth in Supreme Court placements. These are terrific results for Queen's and firmly establish the Faculty as one of Canada's top law schools.

**QLR**: Queen's also receives excellent results in the Canada/U.S. Law School Survey of Student Engagement (LSSSE). What can you tell us about the 2013 survey?

**BF**: Let me make a comparison. What isn't captured in the Maclean's rankings, but where Queen's clearly excels, is in the quality of legal education we provide. LSSSE does measure that. Queen's gets spectacular results when it comes to feedback from our students. When asked whether they would choose Queen's again, 96 per cent of our third-year students said 'yes' as compared to an average of only 75 per cent at the other 98 Canadian and U.S. law schools that participated in the survey. Our students gave us an A+. It doesn't get any better than that.

**QLR**: What have you enjoyed most in your deanship over the past eight years?

**BF:** It's a great privilege to work with such talented and dedicated students and faculty members, who all care deeply about the wellbeing of the school. The Faculty likewise benefits from an extraordinary level of financial and volunteer support from its alumni, who help sustain a remarkable range of programs for our students. It all makes my job as Dean wonderfully rewarding.

**QLR:** Now that you've begun an unprecedented third term as Dean, what are your plans for Queen's Law for the next five years?

**BF:** The Faculty is in the process of engaging multiple stakeholders in a strategic planning exercise. We all agree that we would like to see our student programs expand and the already impressive research footprint of the school continue to grow. But these goals require additional revenue, so the Faculty is considering options to expand our revenue base, including a modest expansion of enrolment in the JD program and new revenue-generating undergraduate and professional education programs.

I look forward to continuing this planning process, one that is actively engaging our students, faculty and alumni. I have no doubt that the new Strategic Plan will map a bright future for the Faculty, one that will continue to build on the school's strong foundation.

QLR



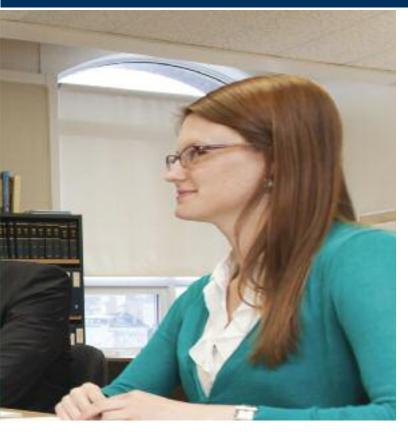
# EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:

Queen's Law builds on 40 years of blending academic inquiry with hands-on training

#### BY SHELDON GORDON

INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION FROM LISA GRAHAM

It's nothing new that learning by doing is a valuable lesson. What *is* new is that prospective lawyers, law firms, and courts are asking law schools to enhance their students' practical and professional skills by providing more opportunities for experiential education. None of the invested parties wants this at the expense of the scholarly, analytical study of law; what they want are more of the clinical programs, moots, internships and externships that ensure graduates can hit the ground running.



Correctional Law Project Director Elizabeth Thomas (middle) and students work on Supreme Court of Canada intervention in the CLP library.

Queen's Faculty of Law – 40 years into the experiential field already — could not agree more.

It was the Carnegie Foundation's 2007 report, *Educating Lawyers: Preparation for the Profession of Law*, that provoked the current conversations by pointing to a disconnect between law school and the legal profession in U.S. and Canadian law schools:

Most law schools [it said] give only casual attention to teaching students how to use legal thinking in the complexity of actual law practice. Unlike other professional education, most notably medical school, legal education typically pays relatively little attention to

direct training in professional practice. . . . The existing common core of legal education needs to be expanded to provide students substantial experience with practice as well as opportunities to wrestle with the issues of professionalism.

Dean Bill Flanagan is prepared to meet that challenge. "We've long had clinical programs at Queen's Law," he says, "but there's been a greater focus on them in the last seven or eight years, largely in response to student demand. Students find these programs enriching.

"This kind of experience is very attractive to employers, too. They want to see graduates more practice-ready. It's in part why Queen's has such a great placement rate."

In the 1970s, three clinical opportunities were introduced: Queen's Legal Aid (QLA), the Correctional Law Project (CLP), and the Clinical Family Law elective. Mandatory mooting was supplemented with three external competitions and *Queen's Law Journal* offered research and writing possibilities. A Queen's

Chapter of Pro Bono Students Canada (PBSC) began recruiting volunteers in 1998.

Today the school offers a total of ten opportunities for value-added law degrees. The most recent are two programs serving the Kingston community: Queen's Business Law Clinic and the Elder Law Clinic. Currently, Law also facilitates a variety of domestic and international internships and externships, trains more mooters (including international competitors), and collaborates with Lancaster House to publish the Canadian Labour and Employment Law Journal.

The Dean says, "We budget more than \$1.3 million annually for clinics that provide students with the chance to gain skills for client interviews, client and file management, the drafting of opinion letters and other legal documents, and legal advocacy."

More than half of the JD students participate in experiential learning for academic credit or on a volunteer basis each year. "With such high participation rates," Flanagan says proudly, "all our students will benefit from a significant level

of experiential learning during their time at Queen's."

To underscore its commitment to clinical programs, the Faculty has established a Clinical Education Committee to promote greater involvement in and support of clinical education by

the faculty and students and to help develop new clinical initiatives.

Responding to Queen's on-going *Initiative Campaign*, alumni and other friends of the law school donated \$700,000 in the 2012-13 fiscal year to enhance clinics and other experiential programs. Many alumni also contribute invaluable time and expertise as mentors — advising mooters, supervising interns and overseeing pro bono student case-workers.

With Queen's Moot Court Program one of the largest at any Canadian law school (up to 20 competitions a year), a new Moot Advisory Council has been created to assist with strategic planning and promotion. Distinguished alumni litigators, judges and mediators have volunteered to work with chair Chris Clifford, Law '97 (Bergeron Clifford LLP, Kingston), serve as moot teams' outside supervisors, provide feedback on draft written submissions, organize or judge oral submissions, and recruit their qualified colleagues to do the same.

DEAN BILL FLANAGAN

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#### **OUEEN'S LEGAL AID**

Established: 1971

**Student Caseworkers:** 18 in Clinical Litigation Practice course; 60 volunteers; 10 summer hires/group leaders; 1 articling student

Services Provided: Legal assistance to low-income residents in Kingston, Napanee and the rural tri-county area and to Queen's and St. Lawrence College students who are involved in minor criminal charges, major provincial offences, landlord/tenant disputes, provincial social assistance and federal pension appeals, criminal injuries compensation claims, and Small Claims Court matters

**Supervisors:** Senior Review Counsel Susan Charlesworth, Law '81 (on leave); Acting Senior Review Counsel Jana Mills, Law '92; Acting Review Counsel Jodie-Lee Primeau



QLA Senior Review Counsel Sue Charlesworth, Law '81, discusses a case matter with a caseworker in the student workroom, where a plaque and portrait honour the memory of early caseworker Karen McCullough, Law '80.

"Working at QLA, as a volunteer caseworker and a student in Clinical Litigation Practice, was among the best decisions I made in law school. Nothing could have afforded me the same real world litigation experience and practical casework."

MATTHEW GRAY, LAW '14

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#### From student to practitioner: The employers' perspective

Queen's Law Reports spoke with four accomplished alumni working in various settings – a large firm, a boutique firm, a Crown attorney's office, and a government agency — for insights into whether experiential opportunities gave them practical skills for their own careers and whether, as employers now, they find such experience increasingly valuable in the lawyers they hire.



#### PETER H. GRIFFIN.

Law '77, is Managing Partner (and co-founder) of the Toronto litigation firm Lenczner Slaght, 2012-13 President of The Advocates' Society, 2013's "Toronto Lawyer of the Year" (Corporate and Commercial Litigation) as chosen by *Best Lawyer*, and a new member of the Dean's Council at his alma mater.

Griffin volunteered in Legal Aid during second and third year. He laughingly says that he first showed his legal prowess in bylaw court, defending a couple of unlawfully-at-large dogs — "nice clients who didn't talk back." He worked with the duty counsel at provincial of-

fences court, finding it "a real eye-opener to deal with people with real-life problems."

This experience, he says, contributed to his career as a litigator by teaching him to communicate on whatever level his clients could understand. "What you do later in life is



Review Counsel Georgiana Stewart, Law '06, provides summer caseworker Paul Adam, Law '14, with feedback on a file.

#### **ELDER LAW CLINIC**

**Established:** 2010 with \$48,000 in seed funding from the Law Foundation of Ontario and \$19,000 from Legal Aid Ontario. First of its kind at a Canadian law school (*Currently a subsidiary of QLA*)

**Student Caseworkers:** 10 in Elder Law Clinic course; 1 summer hire

**Services Provided:** Advises low-income seniors and delivers presentations to community groups and institutions on legal issues related to aging — health care decision-making, powers of attorney and simple wills, capacity and substitute decision-making, institutional residence problems, etc.

Supervisor: Review Counsel Georgiana Stewart, Law '06

"Stimulate the mind, yes, but also prepare law students for applying the thought processes in practice."

more complex and the people may be more sophisticated, but essentially all clients have to comprehend what you do, the legal milieu they're in, and how you can help them.

"They may be terrific business people, yet have absolutely no familiarity with the legal world. It's very easy to be too familiar with your own environment and assume too much about other people's level of comfort with it."

Griffin also recalls his mooting experience - and how presenting a constitutional challenge in a criminal case judged by Dean John Whyte taught him always to be ready for the hard questions. ("He fricasseed me.")

As for Law's latest developments, Griffin says he's "very impressed" by additions to the clinical programs. "I'm not denigrating for a moment the high level of academic learning at Queen's, but a balance is desirable. Stimulate the mind, yes, but also prepare law students for applying the thought processes in practice."

With Ontario's articling system under scrutiny, it's even more important for law schools to deliver practical as well as academic education, Griffin says. When he meets the many Queen's graduates who go through his firm's interview process, he finds them more worldly than his cohort was. "They have a much better sense of what we do," partly due to their hands-on learning.

#### CORRECTIONAL LAW PROJECT

Established: 1973 as Correctional Law and Legal Assistance course

**Student Caseworkers:** 18 in Clinical Prison Law course; 4 summer hires

**Services Provided:** Legal advice, assistance and representation in all aspects of prison law to prisoners in the 6 Kingston-area penitentiaries. Representation for inmates at prison disciplinary hearings and parole hearings. Participation in the clinic's test case litigation

**Supervisors:** Director Elizabeth Thomas; staff lawyers Bob Goddard, Law '90, and Kathryn Ferreira, Law '01



Under the direction of Elizabeth Thomas, Correctional Law Project students work on Supreme Court of Canada intervention in the CLP library.

"The opportunity to work closely with practising lawyers on challenging legal issues was one of my best law school experiences. CLP allows students to work inside penitentiaries to assist clients with tasks such as parole hearings and disciplinary-court proceedings and to develop strong legal research, writing and advocacy skills."

KIRBY GOLDSTEIN, LAW '15



"Through my experience with the Elder Law Clinic, I was able to develop my client-interviewing skills, which have assisted me in my practice of management-side labour and employment law. As well, the knowledge I gained through the clinic has made me more aware of the challenges related to Canada's aging workforce."

KATRINA KEENAN-PELLETIER, LAW '11 Associate, Mackillop Law Professional Corp.

Katrina Keenan-Pelletier, Law '11 (right), in 2010 with fellow caseworker Nicole Walton, Law '12, and Professor David Freedman, founding Director of the pioneering Elder Law Clinic

#### QUEEN'S BUSINESS LAW CLINIC

**Established:** 2009 with a \$150,000 seed grant from the Law Foundation of Ontario

**Student Caseworkers:** 16 in QBLC course; 2 summer hires

**Services Provided:** Legal assistance to small start-up businesses and non-profit organizations in eastern Ontario on such matters as incorporation and organization, shareholder and partnership agreements, business names and trademark work, compliance with general government regulations, and draft and review contracts

**Supervisors:** Director Peter Kissick, Law '88, LLM '98, School of Business professor

"The Queen's Business Law Clinic provided me with a strong foundation for a career in corporate law. I obtained invaluable practical legal skills, exposure to the business side of running a law practice, and a wealth of substantive legal knowledge, all while helping clients achieve their goals."

KATHRYN HOULDEN, LAW '09 Associate, Corporate, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP



Kathryn Houlden, Law '09 (middle), in 2009 with QBLC Director Peter Kissick, Law '88, LLM '98 (2nd from right), and pilot project co-caseworkers Amaan Gangji, Matthew Lui, and Andrew Spence, all Law '09

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#### NORMAN BOXALL

Law'78, is a partner in the criminal law boutique Bayne Sellar Boxall in Ottawa. He is President of the Criminal Lawyers Association, Past-President of the Defence Counsel Association of Ottawa, and a former member of the Judicial Appointments Advisory Committee.

As a student, he earned credits in the Correctional Law Project course, dealing with inmates about such incarceration issues as transfers, the right to a hearing, and parole

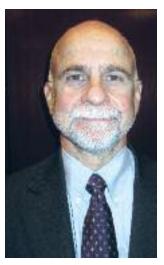
calculations. "From early on, I'd wanted to do criminal defence work," Boxall says; "the Project reinforced my interest in it — and in the clear need for advocacy on these people's behalf." Even then, mooting was helping him make legal arguments.

He also volunteered for Legal Aid, acquiring more experience in interviewing clients and prospective clients. For him, the most memorable part of QLA was going north to court at Sharbot Lake and helping the duty counsel for the day.

As an employer, Boxall values candidates with clinical experience of the kind he pursued. If someone who wishes to article as a criminal lawyer did CLP and QLA at Queen's, Boxall says they're a good fit. "Of course I'm extremely interested in candidates who have academic ability and have stretched their minds, but I think the fact that there's more hands-on training than when I was at school is a good thing."



QBLC director Peter Kissick and student caseworkers Alexandra Shelley, Albert Klein and Maja Milosevic, all Law '14, in the newly named Tompkins Family Classroom with Paul Tompkins, Law '85, who donated \$150,000 to the Clinic this year (see pg. 23).



**DAVID FINLEY**, Law'84, is Deputy Director, Crown Law Office-Criminal, in the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General — "the largest criminal

law firm in the country."

He volunteered for QLA in all three years. He was hired as summer staff between second and third year and was a director during third year.

"Legal Aid was an excellent entry-level experience for the world of legal practice," he recalls. "I had to deal with clients, opposing counsel, the police, and Crown attorneys."

The Crowns he met in Kingston and Napanee were good role models, he says, and influenced him to choose public service. He later did work for the Crowns in both offices.

Finley's third-year advocacy class included mooting exercises. Even before he graduated, then, he had sharpened his courtroom skills and his ability to write sentencing submissions and legal arguments for both criminal and traffic court. QLA had also taught him to apply social skills in the legal context. "Legal situations require a sensitivity and assertiveness you don't normally need in everyday life," he reflects.

More recently, when Finley has served on committees screening articling applicants, he has looked for candidates with experience as well as good marks. "Someone who has done Legal Aid or the Correctional Law Project on top of Criminal Law courses gets my attention. People who seek out good exposure to the system demonstrate to me a real commitment to criminal law."

# PRO BONO STUDENTS CANADA

**Established:** 1998; sponsored by the Law Foundation of Ontario and McCarthy Tétrault LLP

**Student Participants:** About 80 volunteers under 2 coordinators who organize placements

Projects: Students gain experience in legal research and representation under the supervision of practising lawyers in 24 community service projects, including Equality Effect, Pro Bono Radio and the Family Law Project.

#### CLINICAL FAMILY LAW

Established: 1977

**Students:** Up to 12 per term in the Clinical Family Law

Placements: Students learn about the complex legal, ethical and social decisions involved in the practice of family law during a term with practitioners, the Children's Aid Society, Family Court Duty Counsel or Judges, the Frontenac Youth Diversion Program, or the Victim Witness Program. Many supervisors are Queen's Law alumni, including Justice Brian Abrams, Law '96; Mark LaFrance, Law '89; Mary-Jo Maur, Law '85, LLM '93; Gord McDiarmid, Law '77; Judy Millard, Law '80; Christina Rorabeck, Law '04; Debbie Swartz, Law '92; Tina Tom, Law '01; Justice Anne Trousdale, Law '76; and Leanne Wight, Law '04.

**Instructor and Placement Coordinator:** Professor Nick Bala. Law '77



Jaclyn Mackenzie, Law '13, recipient of the 2013 Nicholas Bala Award for Excellence in Children's and Family Law presented by the Ontario Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

"As an aspiring family lawyer, I have greatly benefitted from the fantastic family law program at Queen's Law. My placement as a Judicial Law Clerk through Clinical Family Law was a unique opportunity to spend a semester discussing contemporary issues with the judiciary. PBSC's Family Law Project gave me hands-on experience assisting unrepresented litigants draft court forms." JACLYN MACKENZIE, LAW '13 Articling Student, Feldstein Family Law Group Professional Corporation

#### MOOT COURT PROGRAM

Moots have been compulsory since 1959. Students now have a range of advocacy courses to satisfy the degree requirement.

#### **COMPETITIVE MOOTS**

Queen's participated in 3 competitions in the 1970s. Today, teams enter 17 national and international competitions – more than most Canadian law schools – in a wide range of legal areas. Students gain courtroom experience while making arguments before leading lawyers and judges in competitions held across Canada and the U.S. and in Vienna.



2013 Arnup Cup team oralists and Law '14 students Natalie Johnson and Sabrina Goldfarb (2nd and 3rd from left), accept the 2nd-place award for the provincial trial advocacy competition from Peter H. Griffin, Law '77, then President of The Advocates' Society, and Greg Richards, Law '79, and John M. Buhlman of the sponsoring firm WeirFoulds LLP.

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#### KELLEY MCKINNON, Law '88

(Artsci '85), is Senior Deputy Commissioner, Mergers Branch, at the Competition Bureau. She was formerly a partner and head of the securities litigation practice at Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP and, prior to that, Deputy Director of Enforcement and Chief Litigation Counsel at the Ontario Securities Commission (OSC).

On campus, McKinnon participated in QLA, CLP, and

the compulsory first-year moot. "Those three experiences teach the variety of skills you need for different kinds of interactions," she says. "Litigators need to learn how to deal with clients, with opposing counsel, with judges. I'm a strong believer that any lawyer, but especially a litigator, needs good analytical skills, the ability to organize facts and issues in a coherent argument, and the competence to present an argument clearly."

She values mooting because "learning to work with partners against opposing teams and to argue vigorously but respectfully is invaluable for the courtroom."

McKinnon recalls her clinical Correctional experience as an agent for some prisoners facing disciplinary hearings as "a rare and extraordinary" opportunity. "Litigators will tell you that dealing with clients can bring some of their greatest

"The mooting program provided invaluable experience in both written and oral advocacy. Being able to litigate in front of actual jurists — including a Supreme Court judge! — and then to be given substantive feedback is a rare opportunity indeed.

"My internship at the Hague was not only a great life and learning experience, but also an exposure to different ways of practice and problem-solving from both common law and civil law traditions. Acquiring such a unique perspective has proven immeasurably beneficial as I've transitioned into practice."

GERARD KENNEDY, LAW '10 Associate, Litigation, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP



Gerard Kennedy, Law '10, spent the summer of 2009 at The Hague, interning at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY, inset). In competitive mooting, he was a "best oralist" at the Jessup International in 2009 and was on the 2nd-place Gale Cup team in 2010.

"Classes teach you the principles of law. Experiential learning teaches you how to get to a result when you have a problem."

challenges," she says. "CLP offers a chance to interact with clients who can be really demanding - sometimes prisoners convinced they understand the legal system better than you do. This can happen with clients in the outside world, too."

At the OSC, where 15 lawyers reported to her, McKinnon paid attention to hands-on experience when hiring recent grads. "I've never believed that marks were the be-all and end-all," she says.

A member of the Dean's Council for the past three years, she is enthusiastic about the additional learning-by-doing choices being offered to Queen's Law students. "Classes teach you the principles of law," she says; "experiential learning teaches you how to get to a result when you have a problem."

The challenge for legal education, according to the Carnegie Report, is "linking the interests of legal educators with the needs of legal practitioners and with the public the profession is trying to serve." All the experiential learning opportunities now offered through Macdonald Hall (as shown throughout these pages), are proof that for this challenge, Queen's Law is indeed well ahead of the curve.

#### LAW JOURNALS

Students play a central role in editing and publishing 2 fully refereed scholarly publications.

- The Queen's Law Journal (QLJ), established in 1971, is one of Canada's leading law reviews. A team of student editors produces the *QLJ* under the direction of faculty advisor Bernie Adell, Professor Emeritus.
- The Canadian Labour and Employment Law Journal (CLELJ), the nation's only specialized journal in the field, published by Lancaster House since 1993, has been a collaborative project of that publisher and the Queen's Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace since 2011. A team of student editors works on the CLELJ under the guidance of senior faculty editors, including Bernie Adell and Kevin Banks.

"By working on the Queen's Law Journal, we gained practical experience in researching, writing and editing at a high level. As Co-Editors-in-Chief, we had to balance our editorial duties with our managerial responsibilities, and that made our time with the Journal invaluable in developing and managing an intense and fast-paced legal practice."

JONATHAN CHEN, LAW '12 Associate, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP

KAREN PHUNG, LAW '12 Associate, Miller Thomson LLP

#### INTERNSHIPS AND EXTERNSHIPS

#### **PUBLIC INTEREST INTERNSHIPS:**

Each summer since 2006, up to 15 students have received financial support from Torys and the Dean's Excellence Fund (composed of alumni donations) enabling them to accept internships with public-interest organizations in Canada and abroad.

Two new programs launched in 2011 allow a few students each year to earn academic credit while providing supervised legal services:

- Federal Government Internships with the Department of Justice and other offices; and
- Clinical Externships through placements with community legal clinics in Belleville, Cobourg or Kingston.



Jonathan Chen and Karen Phung, both Law '12, 2011-12 Co-Editorsin-Chief of Oueen's Law Journal, with Justice David Stratas, Law '84, LLD '12, and Dean Bill Flanagan at a luncheon on Convocation day.



# Access to Justice: **BOLD** steps urged

National Action Committee concludes first work phase on barriers in civil and family law matters

BY SHELDON GORDON

he National Action Committee on Access to Justice in Civil and Family Matters (NAC) issued its much-anticipated reports this year, producing a plan for practical and achievable actions to improve such access across Canada. In 2008, the Chief Justice of Canada, Beverley McLachlin, convened the Committee to address the barriers to legal services facing average Canadians. It is a collaboration among a number of stakeholders in the justice system, including federal, provincial and territorial ministries of justice, the Canadian Bar Association, the Canadian Judicial Council, and the Canadian Forum on Civil Justice.

Supreme Court Justice Thomas Cromwell, Law '76, LLD '10 (Mus '73), chaired both the NAC and its Steering Committee. Last February, he used the occasion of his Catriona Gibson Lecture at Queen's Law to cite "the implementation gap" between the principles of Canada's justice system and the inability of average Canadians to access civil and family justice – a gap due to "the high cost of legal services, the unavailability of alternative dispute resolution, and the lengthy duration of civil cases." Although Canadians pride themselves on having a very sound legal system, he concluded, "we have a very big gap between the promise and reality."

His Committee was already hard at work then, with members and consultants drawn from key stakeholder groups: governments, the judiciary, the Bar, law scholars, and national associations. Members included Queen's Law **Dean Bill Flanagan** and alumna **Beth Symes**, **Law** '76, of Symes Street & Millard, Toronto.

"We were working with a very impressive blue-chip panel," says Flanagan, "so I'm expecting these reports will have a significant impact. There's so much in them that touches on so many different areas of law. Of course, some reforms can be addressed more quickly than others."

Symes adds that despite the range of justice system players Justice Cromwell brought together, neither the Committee members nor even their organizations can effect the proposed changes by themselves. "What will be needed," she emphasizes, "is collective – and bold – action by a variety of players, whether government, judges, lawyers or others, to make the system better."

In April, the NAC's working groups took their findings to the Canadian Bar Association's Envisioning Equal Justice Summit for discussion and feedback. The working groups released reports in four priority areas.

#### 1 Simplification of court processes

This group's report insists that "the primary focus ... needs to fundamentally shift away from those who deliver justice and toward those who consume it." As Symes puts it, "It's not what would make the lives of lawyers, judges or court administrators easier, but what can be done from the user's point of view. That, I think, is revolutionary. It has changed the dialogue and certainly the emphasis."

Specifically, the report recommends

- more flexible court hours, particularly administration and front desk hours, to accommodate litigants unable to be at court during "normal" working hours;
- higher limits for small claims courts;
- simplified procedures for all smaller actions that exceed the small claims limits;
- judges or other court officers getting involved in meetings with parties to discuss pre-action protocols before proceedings begin. Settling cases at an early stage would avoid discovery costs and others "that mount as cases progress."

#### 2 Access to legal services

This group's report recommends focusing on maximizing people's access to legal information, advice and assistance, largely through changes in how services are delivered.

The key proposal is to create a national justice Internet portal to simplify and coordinate access to justice information. "Many different organizations are putting information on the Internet, but there are both tremendous overlaps and huge gaps because it's not coordinated," says Symes. She points to Australia's central system of gathering and disseminating legal information as a possible model for Canada.

# "The challenge will be in how the NAC's recommendations are taken up. Doing nothing is not an option."

- NAC member Beth Symes, Law '76

Also urged by this second report:

- alternate payment methods for legal services, such as the
  one seen in a pilot project in which the Law Society of
  Manitoba negotiates lower rates with the family bar for
  certain middle-income clients. The Law Society accepts
  the risk and pays a client's bill; the client then repays the
  Society over time.
- expanding the range of legal-service providers. One example: the Law Society of Upper Canada's exemption from regulation of a variety of non-lawyer organizations and individuals who provide legal advice. "One major issue is regulating what paralegals can and can't do," says Flanagan. "If they can provide some services at a lower cost, this might assist in access to justice."
- having key stakeholders explore the value of Web-based legal services (such as the B.C. website FiredWithoutCause) and online dispute resolution models (such as B.C.'s proposed Civil Resolution Tribunal).

#### 3 Prevention, triage and referral

This group's report focuses on the justice system's "front end" and how early-resolution services can be strengthened to play an enhanced role. Its key proposal is for governments and funding agencies to devote more resources to those services.

Flanagan lauds this emphasis on triage, calling it "vital to try to deal with matters early on, stream them and have the same judges deal with the same cases in a way that helps to move these files along more quickly." Better case management, he suggests, would reduce delay, duplication, and waste of court time, especially in family law cases.

This group's report also urges that stakeholders – particularly in education and community outreach – create strategies to develop "legal literacy," from youth through adulthood, to help Canadians better manage legal disputes that arise in everyday life.

#### 4 Family justice

This group's report proposes entrenching consensual dispute resolution (CDR) more firmly at the centre of the family justice system. It urges changes to Canadian law schools' family law curriculum, more emphasis on CDR across the entire law program, and the hiring of more full-time family law professors.

Flanagan supports this hiring recommendation. "Not all law schools have the strengths that Queen's has in family law," he notes, "but finding suitable candidates to hire as faculty members can be difficult. That goes to the larger issue of encouraging students to pursue graduate work in family law."

Other family justice recommendations:

- Law Societies should accept continuing legal education (CLE) in family law towards fulfilling professional development requirements.
- Before filing a contested application in a family matter, parties should be required to participate in a single, nonjudicial CDR session, with free or subsidized CDR services made available to those who cannot afford them.
- In most cases, information sessions should be mandatory for self-represented litigants and all parents with dependent children – and these sessions should occur before such parties can appear in court.
- The family court system should be unified, with the courts having simplified rules, procedures, forms and dispute resolution processes and being run by judges specializing in family law and having dispute resolution skills.

#### The path for change

Bridging the work of the four groups, September's final "Access to Justice" report provides an overview of the current gaps in access to justice, sets out guiding principles for positive change, and provides a roadmap for the next step to put the NAC's vision into action: implementing the reforms.

"Overall," says Symes, "the National Action Committee has identified the problems and proposed a number of steps to improve access to justice. The challenge will be in how these recommendations are taken up.

"Doing nothing is not an option."

Read the working groups' reports and the final report at **www.cfcj-fcjc.org/collaborations**.



SCC's Justice Thomas Cromwell, Law '76, LLD '10, NAC Chair



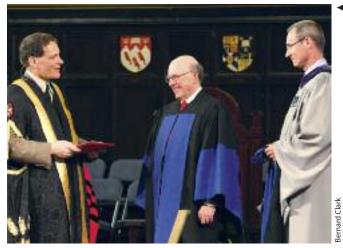
Dean Bill Flanagan Queen's Law; NAC member



Beth Symes, Law '76 Partner, Symes Street & Millard, Toronto; NAC member

# Congratulations, 2013 Law graduates!

Family, friends, faculty and staff gathered in Grant Hall on June 14 to watch the JD and LLM graduates of 2013 receive their diplomas, along with the school's LLD honoree, Chief Justice Warren Winkler. The Medals in Law and Dean's Key awards were presented during the ceremony, to warm applause. A reception followed in Ban Righ Hall, where Dean's Scholar Award recipients accepted their trophies.



Warren K. Winkler, Chief Justice of Ontario, stands before Principal and Vice-Chancellor Daniel Woolf for the conferral of the Honorary Doctor of Laws degree. He was hooded by Dean Flanagan.

■"Be aware every day, from this day forward, of the privilege that will soon be afforded to you. Dignify the profession. Treat it with honour and respect and it will honour and dignify you in return. Success cannot help but follow."

CHIEF JUSTICE WARREN K. WINKLER TO LAW '13



Zahir Ali, Law '13's Graduating Class Student Representative, delivers his address.



Dean Bill Flanagan with winners of the three Law Medals awarded to graduates with the highest cumulative averages: Stephen Taylor (highest standing), Pam Hrick (second-highest) and Justina Driedger (third-highest) with Robert Thomson and Pam Hrick, recipients of the Dean's Key awarded to the graduates who best embody community values, collegiality, professionalism, service and academic excellence

**3ernard Clark** 

Dean Flanagan (second left) with recipients of the Dean's Scholar Awards, given to the graduates with the highest third-year averages: Jaclyn Greenberg (Dean's Bronze Scholar), Carrie-Anne Bourassa (Dean's Silver Scholar) and Pam Hrick (Dean's Gold Scholar)





Brenda Brouwer, Queen's Vice-Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies (left), and Sharry Aiken, Law's Associate Dean of Graduate Studies and Research (right), with two of Law's newest LLM grads: Karla McGrath and Jie Tang.



Law in the family: 2nd generation steps forward Laura Sigurdson, Law '13 (middle), with parents Stephen and Leslie, both Law '84

# Dad grads of Law '13 ... and the next generation?



Warren WhiteKnight, Law '13, with daughter Olive



Mark Noble, Law '13, with son Carter

# Queen's Law Alberta Alumni Council launched Abetter community of support for grads—and their Law School



BY KIRSTEEN MACLEOD



or the new Queen's Law Alberta Alumni Council, priority number one is to build community.

"First, we want to enhance the alumni network in the province and facilitate relationships to support Queen's Law," says Stuart O'Connor, Law '86, co-chair of the Alberta Council and President of Timber Ridge Capital Ltd.

"There is a growing number of Queen's alumni in our province, especially here in Calgary," adds co-chair Peter Johnson, Law '89 (Artsci '85), General Counsel and Corporate Secretary at Shaw Communications. "We intend this to be a great vehicle for strengthening ties to the Law School."

Dean Bill Flanagan, a fellow Albertan who grew up in Lacombe, has a particularly close connection to the province and alumni practising there. "There's a terrific group of highly dedicated graduates on this new council, and I look forward to working with them to deepen the school's relationship with all our alumni in the province," he says.

Holding regular events is one way the Alberta Council plans to build community. For instance, member Dino De Luca, Law '87 (Appsci'84), hosted the annual Calgary reception last May at his firm, where Dean Flanagan and fellow grads gathered to celebrate the first Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP Scholar (see Supporting Excellence, p.28). The 20 Albertans accepted into Law '16 were also invited. In December, the Dean will return to the city for a second festive event they hope will become a Law tradition. As O'Connor puts it, "Our goal is to provide such occasions for alumni who want to maintain personal ties, reconnect with the Law School, and encourage prospective students."

Dean Bill Flanagan at the cocktail reception in Calgary on May 14 with members of the Queen's Law Alberta Alumni Council: (I-r) co-chair Stuart O'Connor, Law '86, President, Timber Ridge Capital Ltd.; co-chair Peter Johnson, Law '89 (Artsci '85), General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Shaw Communications Inc.; Katherine MacLennan, Law '10 (Artsci '07), Partner, Thornborough Smeltz LLP; Catherine Valestuk, Law '91; Dino DeLuca, Law '87 (Appsci '84), Partner, Burnet Duckworth & Palmer LLP; and Leslie O'Donoghue, Law '88, Executive VP, Operations, Agrium Inc. Absent: Mike Casey, QC, Law '72, Counsel, Field Law LLP; and Justice Thomas Wakeling, Law '74, Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta.

Johnson cites other Council benefits for alumni: "They will have more of a voice in the school's planning processes and in helping the Dean realize his vision to enhance Queen's Law's reputation—which benefits us all. Also, we will provide better networking opportunities for grads."

Besides these two co-chairs, the Alberta Council has six members whose great range, in O'Connor's words, "benefit our relationship-building priority — law grads from different years, backgrounds, practices and firms."

Following initial community building, they will focus on identifying key projects to support alumni and the school—perhaps scholarships or other fund-raising. "Personally, I'd also like to encourage the cross-disciplinary work within the Law school that's been helpful in my career," says Johnson, who completed a Queen's BA in Economics.

Positive feelings about Queen's are what motivated both men to get involved. "It's a way to give back," says O'Connor. Johnson adds, "I'm doing this because I genuinely enjoyed my seven years at Queen's studying Economics and Law." QLR

Alberta grads: Watch your email for news and upcoming events!

#### Queen's Law thanks supporters: Record donations top \$2 million



his past fiscal year, Queen's Law received a record amount of new gifts and pledges totalling more than \$2 million. Thank you, alumni and friends, for making 2012-13 the most successful fundraising year in the law school's history.

Four donors took the lead in helping Law meet its \$10-million goal as part of the University-wide Initiative Campaign. Two major gifts were made to support and enhance our clinical programs: \$500,000 from a donor who prefers to remain anonymous, and \$150,000 from Law '85 grad Paul Tompkins and his family.

Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP endowed the Blakes Scholar Award with a major gift of \$250,000. A generous donation of \$225,000 from Jeremy Freedman, Law '82, and his family established a new three-year faculty exchange and research program between Queen's and the Buchmann Faculty of Law at Tel Aviv University.

Although I am delighted to acknowledge these major donations, every gift to the law school counts. From small to large, they all help us build and sustain a wonderful legacy of learning and scholarship.

Our annual donor support has more than quadrupled over the past eight years, enabling the school to expand significantly the educational opportunities we provide our students and to continue to build our national and international research profile. To all of you who have helped to make this possible, I offer my warmest thanks on behalf of the Faculty.

Sincerely,

Bill Flanagan Dean of Law





uring my three years on the Dean's strategic advisory council, I've gained a deep appreciation for the level of commitment, involvement and support our school enjoys from its graduates, friends and corporate partners. In fact, over the past two fiscal years, financial backing for Law's overall performance and its specific Initiative Campaign targets has been unprecedented in the school's history.

Our Queen's Law degrees form the basis of our success today. The benefits of a first-rate legal education are immeasurable, and that's just what our school continues to deliver. It enables graduates to excel in the profession, assume leadership roles there, and exert significant social influence.

If Queen's Law is to continue educating new generations of outstanding legal professionals and pursuing its mission to remain one of Canada's best, we simply must help. The portion of costs covered by government funding and tuition is at the lowest point ever. Private support has never been more crucial.

With the help of graduates and Law's other well-wishers, the school can continue to attract the best students and develop them into legal professionals who contribute significantly in every field of their involvement. Last year's \$2-million response to Law's Initiative Campaign goals proves that committed donors understand this, but if 2013-14 donations are to keep pace with needs, many more alumni must also consider giving. Please do. Queen's Law degrees are a legacy worth preserving and protecting.

Sincerely,

Sheila Murray, Law '82 Executive VP, General Counsel and Secretary CI Financial Corp. Chair, Dean's Council

Learn about Queen's Law's Initiative Campaign priorities at http://law.queensu.ca/alumni/fundraisingPriorities.html



#### **Honour Roll of Donors**

MAY 1, 2012, TO APRIL 30, 2013

We're grateful to the following individuals who have made a gift to Queen's Law during the last fiscal year. We also thank those donors who have asked to remain anonymous.

A number of alumni donations have been made since the end of the fiscal year on April 30, 2013, and these gifts will be acknowledged in the 2014 *Queen's Law Reports*.

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this Honour Roll. If there is an error or omission, please accept our apologies and notify Dianne Butler at 613.533.6000 ext. 78471, or by email, butlerd@queensu.ca

FISCAL YEAR 2012-13 IN BRIEF	
Alumni participation	8.9 %
Total contributed to Queen's Law	\$1,614,475
Total contributed by Corporations/Firms	\$485,272
Value of needs-based bursary assistance distributed	\$605,140
Value of merit-based scholarships and prizes distributed	\$355,040





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#### **Honour Roll by Class**

Law '60

Participation 40% Total Giving \$24,800

John Brownlee '60 and Ann Brownlee\*
Paul Cosgrove '60 and Frances Cosgrove\*
Estate of Jack King '60\*\*\*\*\*
Geraldine Tepper '60\*\*\*\*

Law '61

Participation 0% Total Giving \$0

Law '62

Participation 29% Total Giving \$23,120

Prof. Gordon Bale '62 and J. Maureen Bale \*\*\*\*\*
Donald Fraser '62\*\*\*\*
John McKercher '62\*\*\*
Wilfrid E.D. Peters, QC '62\*\*

Law '63

Participation 19% Total Giving \$600

R. Lloyd Budgell '63\*

Prof. Sonny Sadinsky '63 and Gillian Sadinsky\* Alan Winship '63\*

Law '64

Participation 19% Total Giving \$1,825

Douglas Burns '64 and Jane Burns\* Hon. Paul Lalonde '64 and Ena Lalonde\*\*\* Georges Proulx '64\* Alan Sullivan '64 Francis Tanner '64\*\*

Law '65

Participation 14% Total Giving \$5,175

Hon. Colin Campbell '65\*\*\*
Patrick Glenn '65 and
Prof. Jane Matthews Glenn '66\*\*\*
George Thomson '65, LLD '07 and
Hon. Judith Beaman '75\*\*\*
Barry Tunney '65 and Teresa Tunney

Law '66

Participation 12% Total Giving \$1,350

Prof. Donald Carter'66 and Catherine Carter\*\*\* William A.J. Murphy QC'66\* William Mutch'66\*

Law '67

Participation 12% Total Giving \$2,820

Hon. Dietrich Brand '67\*\* Allan Brown '67\*\* John MacLatchy '67\*\*\* Gordon Mylks '67\* Gordon Thompson '67\*

Law '68

**Participation 11% Total Giving \$2,400** Douglas Baggs '68\*

Daniel Mersich '68\*\*\* Roger Nainby '68\*\* Richard Simon '68\*\* David Tilson, QC '68\*

#### Law '69 Participation 12% Total Giving \$17,350

Donald Bayne '69 and Sheila Bayne '69\*\*\*\*\* Mary Jane Binks, QC '69\*\*\* Ian Marshall '69\* Neil McCrank'69 and Susan McCrank\*\*\* Robert Milnes '69' Charles Noonan '69\*

#### Law '70 Participation 9% Total Giving \$6,156

Douglas McCallum '70\*\*\* Brian Miller '70\*\* Prof. Mary Jane Mossman '70 and Brian Bucknall\*\*\* Franklin Richmond '70\* Senator David Smith '70 and Hon. Heather J. Smith '71\*\*\* Hon, David Watt '70\*\*\* David Wilson '70\*

#### Law '71 **Participation 9%** Total Giving \$15,500

Roger Beaman '71 and Dana Beaman\*\* Ian Glen '71 and Mary Glen\*\* Leslie Holland '71\*\*\* Heino Lilles '71 and Sheila Lilles\*\*\* James Parks '71\*\*\*\* Peter Pyper '71\* Hon, Heather J. Smith '71 and Senator David Smith '70\*\*\*

#### Law '72 Participation 12% Total Giving \$24,525

Gerald Aggus '72\* Richard Baldwin '72 and Kristin Baldwin\*\*\*\* Christine Boyle, LLM '72 and Thomas Kemsley '76\* Michael F Casev '72\*\*\* Thomas Fleming '72 and Betty Fleming\*\* Hon. Michael A. Kelen '72\*\* John McWilliams, QC '72\*\*\*\* Donald Travers '72\*\*\* Hon. J. David Wake '72\*

#### Law '73 **Participation 6%** Total Givina \$3,200

Robert Bruce '73 and Joan Bruce\*\* Jacqueline Kelly '73\* Robert Kindon '73 and Dianne Kindon\*\* Donald Macdougall '73 and Lois Hardy\* Douglas Rigsby '73

#### Law '74 **Participation 7%** Total Giving \$17,746

David Allgood '74 and Helen Stevenson\*\*\*\* Timothy Bates '74 and Janey Bates\*\*\* Ronald Dimock '74 and Wendy Wayling\*\*\* Donald Revell '74 and Margaret Revell\*\* Judith Ross '74\* Hon. Alexander Sosna '74 and Arlene L. Sosna\* Marlene Thomas '74\*\* Peter Trousdale '74 and Hon. Anne C. Trousdale '76\*\*\* Hon. Thomas W. Wakeling '74\*\*\*

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Susan Cavan '76\* Hon. Thomas Cromwell '76, LLD '10, and Della Cromwell\*\*\* Nancy Engbloom '76 and Robert Engbloom '75\*\*\*\*\* Edward Johnson '76\*\* Thomas Kemsley '76 and Christine Boyle, LLM '72\* Hon. V. Jennifer Mackinnon '76\* Hon. Ian V.B. Nordheimer '76\*\*\* Stephen Sibold '76\*\*\* Elizabeth Symes '76\*\*\* Hon. Anne C. Trousdale '76 and Peter Trousdale '74\*\*\* Dragi Zekavica '76

#### Law '77 Participation 14% Total Giving \$30,450

Stuart Bailey '77 Prof. Nicholas Bala'77 and Dr. Martha Bala\*\*\* Hon. Jennifer A. Blishen '77 and Thomas Barber '73\*\* Jane Emrich '77\* Paul Findlay '77\* Peter Griffin '77 and Ann Griffin\*\*\*\*\* John Lukezich '77\* Stephen Marcus '77\*\*\* Deborah Matz '773

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John Withrow '77 and Laurel Murdoch\*

Daniel Wyjad '77\* Law '78 **Participation 11%** 

Total Giving \$16,819 Susan Ficek '78 and Damien Frost\*\*\* Shellev Hallett '78' Thomas Houston '78 and Janet Houston\*\*\*

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Paul Tompkins, Law '85 (middle), with Dean Bill Flanagan and Professor Peter Kissick, QBLC Director, cuts the ribbon on the Tompkins Family Classroom.

#### Clinical programs get huge boost

In one of the largest donations ever from an individual to Law, \$500,000 was given to sustain and expand experiential opportunities for students. This significant gift, from a donor who wishes to remain anonymous, clearly endorses the law school's commitment (see Cover Story) by creating an endowment to enhance clinical programs. These are the programs that impart some of the most important educational lessons Queen's Law has to offer by giving students a chance to develop such key lawyering skills as client interviewing, file management, and written and oral advocacy, while also instilling in them a sense of the impact lawyers can have on improving people's lives.

#### RIBBON CUT ON TOMPKINS FAMILY CLASSROOM '85 grad's investment ensures more clinical experience in Business Law

Paul Tompkins, Law '85, and his family made a generous gift of \$150,000 to the Hands-on Learning Fund, specifically to support the Queen's Business Law Clinic (QBLC). When Paul visited Macdonald Hall in February to present his cheque and meet student caseworkers, Professor Peter Kissick, Law '88, LLM '98, QBLC Director, said the gift "literally allows us to continue offering what I believe is a unique service to the community and an invaluable learning experience for our students." Since 2009, QBLC students have been gaining practical experience in their chosen field while delivering sought-after pro bono services in the Kingston area.

On October 30, Paul returned, this time to cut the ribbon on room 002, named the "Tompkins Family Classroom" by the Faculty in grateful recognition of their gift. Paul, President of Toronto-based Tompkins Insurance Services Ltd., told students, "The best thing I ever did, in terms of my education, was get my law degree here. I believe in giving back. I think the great thing about QBLC is that it helps you not only integrate your legal skills, but also develop relationship skills critical for being able to deal with clients. It's because of these skills that people stay with or change lawyers."



#### Honour Roll continued

Peter Hurrell '78\*
Miriam Kavanagh '78\*
Ronald Matheson '78 and
Sheila Matheson\*\*\*
Laurie McInnes '78 and
David McInnes '77\*\*\*
Hon. Michael McKelvey '78 and
Merilyn McKelvey\*
Reginald McLean '78 and
Mary McLean
Peter Murphy '78\*\*\*
Hon. Nancy J. Spies '78 and
Raymond Martin\*

Law'79
Participation 9%
Total Giving \$40,138
Hon. Paul Bellefontaine '79\*\*
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Justin Connidis '79 and
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Kevin Foster '79\*
Michael Fridhandler '79\*
Thomas Hunter '79 and
Barbara Hunter\*\*\*
David Lucas '79\*\*

Peter Lukasiewicz'79 and Kathleen MacDonald'80\*\*\*\* J. Gregory Richards'79 and Gabrielle Richards\*\*\*\*\* Andrew Trevoy'79 and Anna Trevoy\*\*\*\*\*

Law'80
Participation 9%
Total Giving \$16,488
Hon. Peter Bishop '80\*
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Paul King'80\*\*

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Steven Trumper '80 and
Sandra Curtis\*\*\*
Ronald Walker '80 and
J. Susan Monteith\*\*\*\*

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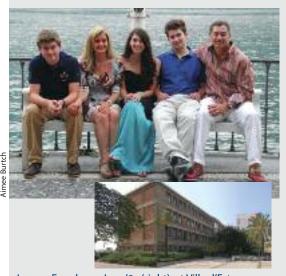
Antonio Turco, Law '01 (right), a partner at Blakes, cuts the celebratory cake at the Appreciation Luncheon on September 30, with Dean Bill Flanagan, Assistant Dean of Students Jane Emrich, and 2013 "Blakes Scholar" Paul Warchuk, Law '15.

# **Endowment from Blakes ensures support for top JD students**

Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP made a generous donation of \$250,000 to endow the annual Blakes Scholar awards. A student entering the second year of the JD or a combined JD program will be awarded \$5,000 on the basis of academic excellence, renewable in his or her third year of study.

Queen's Law celebrated the gift at a reception held in the Student Lounge in September. Paul Warchuk, Law '15, the second-year Blakes Scholar for 2013, expressed his appreciation to the donor firm. "It's important that we have awards like this," he said. "As many of us are painfully aware, the costs of legal education are being shouldered more and more by law students themselves, and going forward tuition will probably continue to increase. It's great that the Blakes scholarships will offset a significant portion of the costs for their winners.

"The fact that it is endowed," he added, "means law students for many years in the future can continue to enjoy it, as I surely will. Thank you very much."



Jeremy Freedman, Law '82 (right), at Villa d'Este, Lake Como, Italy, in August 2012 with son Zachary, wife Judith, daughter Amanda, and son Jesse. **Inset**: Tel Aviv Faculty of Law

# Law '82 grad makes new Israel exchange program possible

With a generous gift of \$225,000 from Jeremy Freedman, Law '82, and his family, a Queen's/Tel Aviv Faculty Exchange and Research Program has been established. During the three-year program, starting with the 2014-15 academic year, the Freedman gift will fund a faculty exchange between the law schools at Queen's and Tel Aviv University, annual public lectures in memory of Bora Laskin (former Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Canada), an academic conference and joint faculty research projects.

Principal Daniel Woolf was in Tel Aviv for the formal announcement of the partnership in July. "This is a very exciting new collaboration that will open up all sorts of possibilities for our faculty, students and researchers," he said. "Sharing our academic and research resources is one of the most effective ways for both our institutions to develop."

Queen's Law will celebrate this gift at the first Laskin Lecture in March 2014. Daphne Barak-Erez, a Justice of the Supreme Court of Israel and former Dean of Law at Tel Aviv, will deliver the lecture.

Jeremy, a former Queen's Rector, is now President and CEO of the Canadian wealth management firm Gluskin Sheff + Associates, based in Toronto. He and his family were motivated to establish the Queen's/Tel Aviv arrangement in order to "foster a greater understanding of the resonance of values underlying Canadian and Israeli societies."

#### CENTRE FOR LAW IN THE CONTEMPORARY WORKPLACE CAMPAIGN

Total Donations as of October 31, 2013: \$783,277

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### Two Fellowships launched to engage the next generation of labour and employment law leaders

This year two fellowships were established that will provide the Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace with critical capacity to advance its mission. Both include funding for the full range of CLCW fellowships: senior, post-doctoral, research, and visitors whose achievements will enrich the intellectual environment. Such flexibility will enable the CLCW's goal of providing national leadership in research and teaching in the area of labour and employment law and policy. This strategic new support of fellowships also ensures that the country can look to Queen's as its source of future labour and employment law scholars, leading practitioners, policymakers and adjudicators.

#### ADELL-CARTER FELLOWSHIP





Professors Emeriti Bernie Adell and Don Carter (Law '66), namesakes of the new CLCW fellowship, accept their Bora Laskin Awards at a Toronto dinner on October 22.

Queen's Law established this fund to honour two former Deans and Professors Emeriti – Bernie Adell and Don Carter (Law '66) — whose contributions to teaching and research and whose work with many other well-known scholars at Queen's enabled the Faculty to build a reputation as a leading school for the study of labour and employment law in Canada. This year both of them received Bora Laskin Awards, Canada's highest honour in their field (see pg. 3).

Rick Baldwin, Law '72, a partner at the Toronto office of Mathews, Dinsdale & Clark LLP, made generous gifts to both the Adell-Carter fund and the CLCW itself that were matched by his firm (whose motto is "Workplace Law spoken here"). "Professors Adell and Carter encouraged excellence in the study of labour and employment law," says Rick, their former student and now a member of CLCW's Advisory Committee. "Our fellowship support reflects our regard for Queen's distinction in these fields of study and the worthiness of its goals."

#### **BAKER & MCKENZIE LLP FELLOWSHIP**



Mark Ellis, Law '80 (second from left), of Baker & McKenzie at CLCW's Law and Aging conference in Toronto, April 2012, with CLCW Associate Director Trish Appleyard, MIR '06/Law '09, CLCW Senior Fellow Elizabeth Shilton, and the keynote speaker, SCC Justice Thomas Cromwell, Law '76, LLD '10

Global firm Baker & McKenzie LLP made a generous donation of \$62,500 to establish this fellowship. Dean Bill Flanagan thanked the firm for its gift when it hosted the CLCW Advisory Committee meeting held in Toronto in July.

Mark Ellis, Law '80, a partner at the firm's Toronto office and a member of CLCW's Advisory Committee, commenting on the significance of the Centre's work, says, "Human capital, the workforce, is properly considered at least as important to the modern corporation as its intellectual property. "The Centre uniquely focuses on the modern employment relationship, promoting excellence in today's sophisticated workplace paradigm, through research, analysis and guidance on a non-partisan, proactive, academic and practical basis." Ellis adds that the CLCW's "formidable national synthesis of academic, legal professional and judicial advisors is unique in breadth and depth and has fast become an invaluable resource to all Canadian labour and employment participants."

#### Honour Roll continued

#### Law '81 **Participation 6%**

Total Giving \$13,158

Thomas Brady '81\*\*\*

Hon. Kenneth Campbell '81 and

Mary Campbell\* Susan Charlesworth '81 and

David Charlesworth\*

Susan Clarke '81 and

Dr. Donald Miller\*\*

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#### Law '82

**Participation 9%** Total Giving \$81,100

Samuel Altman '82 and

Nathalie Cooke\*\*\*

Jeremy Freedman '82 and

Judith Freedman\*\*\*\*

Hon. Geoffrey Griffin '82\*

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#### Law '83

**Participation 9%** Total Giving \$18,481

Hon. Elizabeth Lane Bayliff'83\*

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Dr. Barbara Gitelman Newman\*

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#### Law '84

**Participation 10%** Total Giving \$58,420

Estate of Prof. Robert de Pencier'84\*\*\*\*\*

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Peter Wardle '84 and

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#### Law '85

**Participation 10%** Total Giving \$63,353

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Suzanne Duncan '85\* Hon. Gregory J. Fitch '85\*

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Mark Strang '85\*\*\*

Paul Tompkins '85 and

Anne-Marie Tompkins\*\*\*\*\*

Robert H. Wilkes '85\*\*\* Richard Willoughby '85 and

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#### Law'86

**Participation 5%** 

Total Giving \$9,750

Don Macintosh'86 and Sarah Macintosh\*\*\*

Robert Morrison '86\*\*\*

Paul Rabinovitch '86\*

Pamela Scarrow'86\*

#### Law'87

Participation 7%

Total Giving \$5,615

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Linda Huebscher '87\*\*\*

William Lightfoot '87\* Jeffrey Loudon '87 and Colleen Coman

Patrick Murphy '87\*\*\*

Gillian Ready '87 and Prof. Mark Walters '89\*

#### Law '88

**Participation 4%** 

Total Giving \$4,650

Prof. Martha Bailey, LLM'88 and

Prof. Tim Fort\*

Robert Budgell '88\*

Daniel Chiasson '88\*

Wayne Egan '88\*\*\* Karen Hamway '88\*

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#### Law '89

**Participation 7%** 

Total Giving \$6,541

Barry Appleton '89\*\*\*

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Michael McFadden '89\*\*

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Prof. Mark Walters '89 and Gillian Ready '87\*

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Law '90

**Participation 4%** Total Giving \$15,943

Joseph De Sommer '90\*

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Ingrid Johnson '89\*\*\* Donald Luck '90 and Jane Luck '89\*\*\*

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Law '91

**Participation 3%** 

Total Giving \$1,570

Samantha Horn '91 and Fraser Horn\*\*\* Frances O'Heare '91 and Graham Mutch\* Yvonne Pelley '91 and Dr. Charles Pelley\*

Law '92

**Participation 3%** 

Total Giving \$5,910

John Tracy '91

Scott Bates '92\* Peter Cooke '92 and Connie Too '93\*\*

Eric Hoaken '92\*\*\*

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Law '93

**Participation 3%** 

Total Giving \$1,780

Moira Callahan '93 and Kevin Fahey\* Prof. Arthur Cockfield '93 and

Mariah Rowe\*\*

Lucy McSweeney '93\*

Connie Too '93 and Peter Cooke '92\*\*

Law '94

**Participation 7%** 

Total Giving \$16,225

Darryl Aarbo '94\*

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Daina Selvig '94 and Alex Selvig\*\*\* Katherine Suffel '94\*

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Law '95

Participation 7%

Total Giving \$4,150

Donald Belovich '95 and

Daniela Belovich\*\*\* Erika Chozik '95\*

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Law '96

**Participation 3%** Total Giving \$3,483

Hon. Brian W. Abrams '96 and Tatanya Abrams\*\*\*

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Law '97 **Participation 3%** 

Total Givina \$757

Jamie Bocking '97 and Cynthia Anne Wilson Sarah Colman '97'

Martin Russell '97\* Michael Stewart '97\* Law '98

**Participation 4%** 

Total Giving \$7,360

Brendan Bowles '98 and Christine Maloney\*

Colleen L. Dempsey '98 and Geoff R. Hall\*\*\* Matthew Hibbert '98\*\*\*

Alexander Kilgour '98\*

Susan Lee '98

Law '99

**Participation 1%** 

Total Giving \$1,500

Blair McCreadie '99\*\*\* Ian Michael '99 and Sarah Facey\*

Law '00

**Participation 1%** Total Giving \$120

Susan Byrne Allen '00\*

Law '01

**Participation 1%** 

Total Giving \$2,800

Bradley Elberg '01\*\*\*

Law '02

Jason Singer '02\*

**Participation 2%** 

Total Giving \$1,200 Prof. Cherie Metcalf '02 and Prof. Ian Keay\*\*\*

Law '03 **Participation 5%** 

Total Giving \$2,747

Esi Codjoe '03\*

Donna-Marie Dorrington '03\* Ellen Jamshidi-Shank'03

Sarah Schumacher '03\*

Diana Soos '03\*\*\* Tiffany Soucy '03\* Catherine Wiley '03\*

Elaine Wu '03\*

Law '04

**Participation 2%** 

Total Giving \$3,220 Matthew Dewar'04 and Tilly Gray'03\*\*\* Cynthia Hickey '04 and James Campbell\*\*\*

Erin Metzler '04\*\*\*

Law '05

**Participation 1% Total Giving \$335** 

Imran Hussainaly '05\* Herbert Law '05

Law '06 Participation 0%

**Total Giving \$0** 

Law '07

**Participation 4%** Total Giving \$1,020

Jonathan Fuller '07\* Sie-Wing Khow '07\*

Andrea Lockhart '07 and

Ken Lockhart<sup>3</sup> Gwen May '07 and

Paul Holubitsky '08\* Alexandre McCormack '07 and

Joanie LaPalme Sharon Wilmot '07

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#### **CLASS GIVING**

#### 'Law '80 Scholar in Business Law' campaign kicks off

Law '80's energetic and generous alumni, who by last year had surpassed their 30th-anniversary pledge of \$150,000 for their school, now have a new class gift target: to raise an additional \$100,000 in time for their 35th anniversary in 2015 – this time to support the research and scholarship of a business law professor.

Income from the endowed Law '80 Visiting Lecture Fund, their original gift, has brought two business experts a year to Queen's Law since 2009. That income, together with the additional \$100,000, will now be redirected to the "Law '80 Scholar in Business Law." It is expected that the first faculty member to hold the title, which is for a five-year, renewable term, will be appointed next July.



Law '80 fundraising committee members Greg Piasetzki (chair), Steve Trumper, Pam Taylor and Mike Emery on a break while planning their 2015 reunion. Missing: George Frank and Colin Jackson.

To kick off the \$100,000 fund-raising campaign in style, class fundraising committee chair Greg Piasetzki and six classmates are collectively providing \$50,000 to match gifts received. "I encourage all of our classmates to get on board," he says. "We want to be first not just in total gifts, but also in class participation."

Greg, a patent law practitioner in Toronto, cites the key reasons for grads to support their alma mater. "It's our law school. We want to give something back to help ensure that the quality of the faculty, and the law school experience for today's students, remain first class. And besides, it feels good!"

*Take up the challenge, Law '80!* Go to http://law.queensu.ca/alumni/classGiving/law8o.html

#### **Class Giving Campaigns**

Since the 1960s, grads have demonstrated pride in their school and commitment to supporting future generations of students by initiating class gifts. Over the years, a total of 23 classes have launched campaigns, most of them ongoing today, with three more getting started this year.

In recognition of these contributions, Queen's Law is installing a Class Giving Recognition Wall in the hallway leading to the student lounge. All classes whose donations total \$25,000 or more will be included by giving level.

#### LEVEL 3 - \$100,000 to \$249,000

Law'74 has contributed to the Macdonald Hall Renovations Fund Law'79 contributes to the Hands-on Learning Fund **Law '80** established the *Law '80* Visiting Lecturer Fund; now supporting Law '80 Scholar in Business Law

Law '84 established the Law 1984 Bursary and still contributes to the David Mullan Entrance Scholarship

#### LEVEL 2 - \$50,000 to \$99,000

**Law '60** co-established the Mary Alice Murray Award Law '65 established the Law '65 Bursary and more recently the Law '65 Award

**Law '69** established the *Professor* Hugh Lawford Memorial Fund Law'77 established the Law '77 Award

**Law '81** established the *Law '81* Clinical Programs Fund Law'85 has contributed to the Lederman Law Library Fund

#### LEVEL 1 - \$25,000 to \$49,999

Law '62 established the Dennis Cole Memorial Bursary **Law '64** established the David Farrell Law '64 Award Law '68 established the Professor H.R.S. Ryan Prize and has contributed to the Macdonald Hall Renovations Fund

Law'70 contributes to the Hands-on Learning Fund Law '73 has contributed to the Macdonald Hall Renovations Fund and now contributes to the Stuart-Delisle Criminal Law Fund (initiated in 2012-13) Law '76 established the Law '76 Bursary and the Douglas Traill Memorial Bursary

#### **CLASS DONATIONS UP TO \$24,999**

Law'66 established the Law '66 Book Prize Law'67 has contributed to the Lederman Law Library Fund Law'72 contributes to the Oueen's Law International Fund Law'94 established the Eric Swan Memorial Fund (initiated in 2013) Law'97 established the Law '97 Bursary Law '03 contributes to the Hands-on Learning Fund (initiated in 2012-13) Law '08 contributes to the Hands-on Learning Fund (initiated in 2012-13)

Following their enthusiastic return to campus for Homecoming 2013, the classes Law '78, '83 and '88 are launching giving campaigns. Watch your email for details.

Does your class have a gift? Want to contribute? Visit https://www.givetoqueens.ca and click on "Faculty of Law"

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### BD&P create new entrance award for western Canada students



BD&P partner Dino DeLuca, Law '87, with the first Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP Scholarship winner, Albertan Elizabeth Trotter, Law '16, at the alumni reception on May 14 held at the Calgary firm's office.

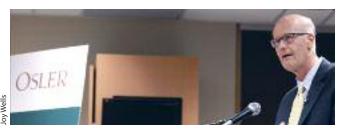
Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP of Calgary has made a generous donation to establish an annual entrance scholarship, valued at \$7,500, for a student from Alberta or Saskatchewan who is admitted to the first year of the JD program. The first winner of the Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer LLP Scholarship, awarded on the basis of academic excellence, is Calgary native Elizabeth Trotter, Law '16. Dino DeLuca, Law '87 (AppSci '84), a partner at BD&P, presented the award at an alumni reception hosted by the firm in May.

"BD&P believes that a law firm's responsibility to the community extends far beyond the provision of legal services," says Dino. "We are extremely proud to extend this sense of community through the creation of the BD&P Scholarship with Queen's Law. This initiative will provide financial support to some of the brightest students from the region pursuing a legal education at one of Canada's leading law schools."

### Osler Lecturers engage crowd in contemporary business law discussions

Once again in 2012-13, internationally renowned scholars kept students and faculty apprised of relevant business law topics. The latest offerings in the Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP Distinguished Lecture Series, generously funded by the firm, stimulated critical thinking through an exploration of laws and issues in the area of fiduciary duties. Among their most attentive listeners were students earning academic credits in the associated course, the Osler Business Law Symposium – "one of the best and most edifying of courses offered at Queen's Law," says recent graduate Steve Taylor, Law '13.

"One benefit of studying at Queen's generally," he adds, "is the exposure to both leading and up-and-coming scholars at the forefront of their areas of interest. The Osler Business Law Symposium broadens this exposure to include talks and papers by scholars and practitioners across North America. The intellectual demands are high, requiring students to engage with diverse ideas and points of view on contentious issues, but the rewards are delivered in kind."



Distinguished Osler Lecturer Lyman P.Q. Johnson, Law Professor at Washington and Lee University, spoke on "Unsettled and Unsettling Issues in Corporate Law" in Macdonald Hall last November.

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#### Local firm's \$150,000 gift modernizes classroom

On March 21, faculty and students celebrated the official opening of the newly refurbished Cunningham Swan Carty Little & Bonham LLP Classroom. The firm was well represented at the reception to recognize the firm's most recent gift to the school – \$150,000.

'Queen's Law has been such a large part of our success," said Tim Wilkin, Law '77, the firm's managing partner. "This was really a way for us to give back and help it continue to train what we believe to be some of the finest lawyers in Canada."

Cunningham Swan has invested a total of \$350,000 in this room. In 2001, they donated



\$200,000 to renovate the classroom, which seats 30 and is located on the fourth floor of Macdonald Hall. Since trends and technology in teaching and learning continue to change, the firm committed an additional \$150,000 for refurbishing it. The newly upgraded Cunningham Swan Classroom once again features state-of-the-art educational technology (the showpiece being a SMART Podium with digital whiteboard functionality), as well as modern furnishings, lighting and flooring.

Dean Bill Flanagan with Bob Little, Law '61, and Tim Wilkin, Law '77, before they cut the celebratory cake outside the Cunningham Swan Carty Little & Bonham LLP Classroom.

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Our faculty members continue to teach and research, write books and journal articles, win awards, and make presentations around the world. Here, briefly, are some of their achievements in the past year.

SPRING CONVOCATION 2013: Dean Flanagan and LLD honoree Chief Justice Warren Winkler (4th and 5th from left) with Professors Dufraimont, Cockfield, Carter, Karton, Knutsen, Robinson, McCormack, Bala, Essert, Aiken, Stuart and Peppin after the Grant Hall ceremony

Associate Dean Sharry Aiken continued work on her SSHRC-funded project "Refugee Diasporas and 'Homeland' Conflicts in the Shadow of 9/11," completed the co-authored manuscript International Encyclopedia for Migration Law – Canada (forthcoming, Kluwer Law International), and delivered papers on various immigration-related topics at Ryerson and Osgoode.

**Professor Bita Amani** contributed an article to the *Intellectual Property Journal* and a chapter to *Dynamic Fair Dealing: Creating Canadian Culture Online* (U of T). She continued work on her funded project "Biofuel: Patents and Optimal Commercial Licensing Practices" and presented papers at Queen's and the 16th annual Canadian IT Law Association Conference in Montreal.

**Professor Martha Bailey** spent her sabbatical working on two projects: one in neuroscience and law and the other on the intersection of the family law system with the immigration and refugee system.

**Professor Beverley Baines** wrote a chapter on feminist adjudication for *Gender and Judging* (Hart). Her current research critically evaluates Canadian jurisprudence that denies sex equality and religious freedom to women who wear the niqab and women who live in polygamous relationships.

Professor Nick Bala was elected to the Royal Society of Canada, the senior national collegium of distinguished scholars, artists and scientists (see pg. 2). He remains active in research, professional education and law reform and is working on projects about judicial interviewing of children, access to family justice, parental relocation and abduction, and child witnesses.

Professor Kevin Banks published articles in the Queen's Law Journal, the Comparative Labor Law and Policy Journal (with Elizabeth Shilton), and the Canadian Labour and Employment Law Journal. He was also appointed by the USA and Guatemala to chair an international arbitral panel in a case of alleged noncompliance with labour provisions of the international trade agreement between the parties.

**Professor Art Cockfield** spent the winter term as Fulbright Visiting Chair in Policy Studies at U of Texas at Austin (see pg. 4). He presented papers at several universities, including McGill, Cornell and USC, and continues as a member of the Corporate Taxation Reform Expert Panel at U of T's Mowat Centre.

Associate Dean Stan Corbett published Canadian Human Rights Law & Commentary (LexisNexis, 2nd ed.). He continued as Academic Director of the spring-term Global Law Programs at Herstmonceux Castle's BISC, teaching Public International Law.

**Professor Lisa Dufraimont** published "The Patchwork Principle against Self-Incrimination under the Charter" in the 2012 *Supreme Court Law Review* and presented the paper "Realizing the Potential of the Principled Approach to Evidence" at U of Ottawa's symposium celebrating the contributions of Justice Louise Charron.

**Professor Chris Essert** published two articles: "Legal Obligation and Reasons" in *Legal Theory* and "The Office of Ownership" (forthcoming, *U of T Law Journal*). He also received a Queen's grant to support his project on peripheral forms of property and to present some related research in Brazil.

**Professor David Freedman** spoke on estate, trust and elder law issues at conferences and workshops, including those organized by the LSUC and the National Judicial Institute. He also published articles dealing with such different estates law issues as disputes amongst multiple trustees and misuse of powers by trustees.

Professor Leslie Green published the long-awaited Third Edition of Hart's Concept of Law (Oxford), together with the second volume of Oxford Studies in Philosophy of Law; an edited collection, Kelsen Revisited; and several articles. He lectured in Toronto, Minneapolis, and Edinburgh, was an influential voice in the British debate about same-sex marriage, and can be heard on Philosophy Bites (http://bit.ly/1c3Sdsy).

**Professor Lynne Hanson** received a Queen's research grant for "Collaborative and Team Teaching in Mental Health Law" and participated in peer reviews for journal articles on mental health issues.

**Professor Tsvi Kahana** taught the new Constitutional Labour Law course and received a University grant to study the subject further. He also won an LSS Teaching Award and presented a paper on "Majestic Constitutionalism" at U of Chicago.

Professor Joshua Karton published his first book, *The Culture of International Arbitration and the Evolution of Contract Law* (Oxford) and presented at the Harvard-Stanford International Junior Faculty Forum. He also received a \$54,000 SSHRC grant for his project "An Exploration of the International Arbitrator's Duty to Apply the Law" and a Queen's LSS Teaching Award.

**Professor Erik Knutsen** published an article on causation in insurance law in *Alberta Law Review* and two articles on personal injury matters in *Advocates Quarterly*. He also presented on medical malpractice at the OCA (OTLA Conference) and received a Foundation for Canadian Legal Research Grant for the project "Duelling Duties: Resolving Conflicting Duties of Care in Tort."

**Professor Kathleen Lahey** published her research on the gender impact of economic crisis policies in *Feminist Economics* and, while a Visiting Professor at Umeå University, Sweden, presented papers on gender and Arctic issues at Arctic Council and Umeå meetings. She also addressed gender and fiscal issues at the NordTax Conference.

**Professor Allan Manson** contributed "Arbitrary Disproportionality: A New Charter Standard for Measuring the Constitutionality of Mandatory Minimum Sentences" to the *Supreme Court Law Review*, plus a co-authored article to the *Canadian Medical Association Journal*, and chapters to the books *Sentencing and Corrections: Sentencing Theory Meets Practise* (CIAJ), and *Canadian Criminal Justice Policy* (Oxford).

Professor Nancy McCormack co-authored Introduction to the Law and Legal System of Canada (Carswell), edited the Canadian Law Library Review, contributed frequently to Australian Law Librarian, and served on the joint Senate/Board committee that reviewed Queen's Principalship and reappointed Daniel Woolf.

Professor Cherie Metcalf was awarded an SSHRC grant for her project on comparative property rights and presented her research at conferences at Stanford, the European University Institute (Florence), U of Florida and U of T. She is spending her 2013-14 sabbatical at U of Colorado Law School & Institute of Behavioural Sciences as Visiting Scholar in Residence.

Professor Bruce Pardy published articles on mining law, energy policy, international water rights and university governance. He also gave conference talks on such topics as environmental ethics, climate change and water law and continues to adjudicate cases as a member of the Ontario Environmental Review Tribunal

Professor Patricia Peppin contributed chapters to Feminist Perspectives on Tort Law (Routledge) and Public Health Law and Policy in Canada (LexisNexis, 3rd ed.). She also presented at the International Academy of Law & Mental Health Congress (Amsterdam) and the FLSQ "Bodies of Law: Women's Health & Equality" conference that she convened at Queen's.

**Professor Michael Pratt** presented conference papers in Canada and the U.S., contributed a paper on contract law theory to a special *Osgoode Hall Law Journal* issue honouring Professor John McCamus, and had one on promissory obligations published in the *Southern Journal of Philosophy* (forthcoming).

Professor Darryl Robinson received the Antonio Cassese Prize for International Criminal Law Studies for his innovative research (see pg. 3). Two of his peerreviewed publications were the subject of on-line symposia, and the Jessup Moot team he coached won second place in the Canadian rounds.

**Professor Don Stuart** won the Criminal Lawyers' Association's 2012 G. Arthur Martin Medal for Criminal Justice (see pg. 2) and co-authored two books published by Carswell: *Learning Canadian Criminal Procedure* (11th ed.) and *Evidence: Principles and Problems* (10th ed.).

Professor Mark Walters spent his sabbatical as Visiting Fellow in the Law Faculties at Oxford and Cambridge universities. He made submissions to a Canadian Senate committee on changes to the rules of royal succession, published an article on Senate reform in the Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law, and won the Award for Excellence in Graduate Supervision from Queen's University.

#### Internationally recognized labour and corporate law scholar welcomed



Wanjiru Njoya, previously a faculty member at the London School of Economics and Oxford, began her appointment as an assistant professor at Queen's Law on September 1. A widely published scholar, she wrote Property in Work: The Employment Relationship in the Anglo-American Firm and has articles in such international journals as Comparative Labor Law & Policy, Industrial Law, and Corporate Law Studies. The former Rhodes Scholar holds an LLB (Nairobi), an LLM with Distinction in International Business Law (Hull) and

a PhD (Cambridge). She was a guest lecturer at Queen's in November 2011.

"I'm very excited to be joining Queen's Law and look forward to working more closely with Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace researchers," she says. "The CLCW is the first centre of its kind in Canada and indeed worldwide, so it's a fantastic opportunity for me to be involved in a unique and influential research institute."



#### Professor Emeritus Ron Delisle:

#### A pre-eminent scholar in evidence and criminal law, mentor to judges, beloved teacher

#### BY KIRSTEEN MACLEOD



Professor Ronald J. Delisle, LLB '64 (BSc '59, Queen's; LLM '67, Michigan), died in his native Kingston on March 12, two days after his 78th birthday, following a brave struggle with a long illness. He is remembered as a renowned scholar in evidence and criminal law, a mentor to judges across Canada, and a beloved friend, teacher and colleague.

Delisle first came to Queen's as a chemical engineering student and a centre on the football

team. As a Golden Gaels MVP, he was drafted after graduation by the CFL's Edmonton Eskimos. Instead, he chose to study law at Queen's, graduating as his class's gold medallist.

Classmate Glen Gary McNeely, a criminal lawyer based in Peterborough, maintained his friendship with Delisle for 50 years. "We articled together in Toronto at Tilley, Carson, Findlay & Wedd for \$30 a week," he recalls. "Doc was smart, deliberate, and had that waggish, self-deprecating sense of humour. His enthusiasm inspired me to work harder."

In 1967, Delisle was recruited by Dean Lederman and returned to Queen's for what would be a 35-year career, earning a reputation as a pre-eminent scholar in evidence law and criminal law and winning every possible teaching award for his authority, accessibility, and classroom technique for getting students thinking and debating. He remains one of only two professors ever to win both of Queen's top teaching awards: the Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching and the AMS's Frank Knox Award.

His reputation beyond the academy soon brought him a Provincial Court appointment in Kingston. Four years later, in 1978, Judge Delisle did something possibly unprecedented: He resigned from the judiciary to return to teaching. After his retirement in 2000, he continued to lecture as Professor Emeritus until his illness.

"He was my all-time favourite professor," recalls Jennifer Gleitman, Law '99, an assistant Crown attorney in Newmarket, Ont. "He made evidence, which is very complex, a joy to study. He was an amazing human being and a spectacular teacher who made everything understandable."

Gleitman calls his impact immeasurable. "Many of us still find ourselves citing him during submissions in court. I might say, 'As my former law professor Ron Delisle used to say, 'You don't get to get to go,' referring to steps one must follow to advance a legal argument. Others in court who went to Queen's nod in recognition, having been taught the same words — words that still ring true today."

Aman Patel, Law '01, a criminal lawyer in Toronto, says Professor Delisle's students learned not only about law, but about life. "His office door was always open to anyone with a question, and he explained things very clearly. In fact, I still refer to a piece of paper with evidence foundations from him written on it. For me (and others, I'm sure), he was more than a professor. He was a father figure and role model," Patel adds, "and a compassionate, sensitive, patient, and wonderful man."

Professor Don Stuart, a friend and colleague for 38 years, recalls how inspiring Delisle was to him as a new teacher of Evidence. "Ron had such dynamism, infectious enthusiasm, sense of purpose, and wide knowledge of doctrinal law and its history." The two co-authored several volumes on evidence, criminal law and criminal procedure and often co-taught courses. "I richly benefitted by teaching with Ron and discussing teaching strategies and experiences," Stuart says.

Delisle's legacy encompasses work to improve laws for presenting evidence in court. Specifically, he laid the groundwork for a more discretionary approach to the admission of hearsay evidence. As Stuart notes, "Over the past 40 years the judiciary — the Supreme Court of Canada in particular — has significantly reformed laws of evidence, in several instances asserting principles that can be traced back to Ron's work as leader of the 1973 Law Reform Commission and to his teaching and prolific writings." Ron's death, he adds, prompted colleagues to recall "his enthusiasm for teaching and scholarship, his insights and help, his laugh and his wonderful ability to entertain as a raconteur."

The new Stuart-Delisle Criminal Law Fund, which honours the two colleagues who had a long and productive collaboration, will support the Faculty's criminal law programs. Donations can be made at <a href="http://law.queensu.ca/alumni/NewFacultyInitiatives.html">http://law.queensu.ca/alumni/NewFacultyInitiatives.html</a>

"Doc" Delisle is survived by his wife Gloria (Arts '63, MSc '64, PhD '70), retired Professor of Microbiology, sons Marc and Chris (Artsci '97, Ed '98) (Jackie Decker, Ed '98), and four grandchildren. A campus celebration of his life was held on October 6 (Homecoming weekend) in Ban Righ Hall. As well, a tribute appeared in the most recent *Queen's Law Journal*.

#### Law's first woman professor

Professor Emeritus Irene (Bakowska) Bessette, former legal



scholar and librarian at Queen's Law, died in Portland, OR, on October 7, 2012, at the age of 88. She was born in Warsaw, Poland, survived the Holocaust, began her legal education in France after the war, moved in the 1960s to New York City to pursue law and library degrees, and launched what became a successful law career that took her before the U.S. Supreme Court in 1970.

The last two decades of her career were spent at Queen's Law. In a 2007 tribute, colleagues called her "a legal scholar of wide-world experience in Europe, Africa and North America, a guide to both of Canada's founding legal traditions," and, as Law librarian, "a patient, dedicated and wise conservator of ... Canada's legal literature." Irene's own writing included the book Not All Was Lost: A Young Woman's Memoir 1939-1946, describing her horrific life under the Nazi regime.

Irene was predeceased in 2005 by her husband, Gérard Bessette, a French-Canadian writer and faculty colleague (French). Survivors include her son, J. Richard Forester, and grandchildren Anna and Aaron, all in the U.S.

#### 1962

James Fergus Ambrose Donnelly, LLB '62 (BA'59), 80, a criminal



law practitioner for more than 40 years, died in his native Kingston on Jan. 16. He had a varied career as both criminal prosecutor and defense attorney in Alberta and Ontario. In 2003 he received the Hon. P.J. Baker Award for significant contributions to the administration of criminal justice in the Kingston community. Though retired, James served as duty counsel until

August 2012. He is survived by wife Delores, children Patti, Brian (Ed '86), and Terry (Artsci '90), eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Walker McKay Smith, LLB'62 (BCom '58), died Feb. 8 in Chatham, ON. He was 75. After practising on Toronto's Bay Street, Walker returned to Chatham in 2007 to run the family business, Gray's China Hall. His sister, Amelia Farquharson (Arts'63), and her children James (Com '97) and Catherine survive him.

#### 1975

Gilles Charlebois, LLB'75, died at 60 on Nov. 26, 2012, in



Ottawa, where he was a criminal law practitioner, passionate in court in both official languages, and lead defense counsel in a number of high-profile cases. Gilles was a regular LSUC lecturer and headed the French section of the Bar Admission Course. He is survived by children David and Marie-Helene and brothers Paul and Jean.

Edmund Arthur Conway, LLB '75, died Jan. 5, 2012, in Richmond Hill, ON, at 63. Ed had a successful litigation practice in Toronto and will also be remembered for his generous volunteer work with the city's Variety Club, a charity committed to helping young people with disabilities. He was predeceased by his wife Vicki and father Edmund; his mother Eileen survives.

#### 1978

Kathryn Anne Boyd, LLB '78, died suddenly on Dec. 8, 2012, in Newmarket, ON, aged 60. She enjoyed teaching for 10 years at Pickering College in addition to being an active law partner for more than 20 years at Boyd Cumming Law in Newmarket. She had a passion for horses, which included showing world champion Hackneys. Survivors include her brother Edward, sister-in-law Leena and nephews Christopher and Kevin.

#### 1982

Robert Christopher Wartman, LLB'82, lost his battle with



leukemia Dec. 14, 2012, in Mississauga, ON. He was 60. His loved ones include wife Kathryn, children Joshua (Artsci '09), Paul and Casey, mother Norma, and siblings Carol Mackillop (Law '94, MSc '84), Charlotte and Colin. Chris had practised in Toronto since graduation, serving as Senior Counsel for Canada Post for 20-plus years before opening his own office.

#### 1983

Susan Murphy, LLB '83, passed away quietly on Nov. 24, 2012, at 55. She clerked for the Federal Court of Canada before building her practice at Gowlings, eventually becoming a partner. Later she moved to MD Management as VP of MD Trust and was Corporate Secretary until her 2012 retirement. Susan is survived by her husband, Mark Charron, Law '82 (Artsci '79), daughters Celia (Appsci '12) and Maria (Com '16), and her siblings, Holly and Peter Murphy (Ed '73).

Michael John MacNaughton, LLB '83, a partner at Borden Ladner



Gervais LLP since 2002, died Nov. 12, 2012, at 54. Michael, head of BLG's Toronto insolvency group, was known for his legal prowess and his love of golf. Throughout his 18-month struggle with ALS, he continued to practise — with BLG's strong support and his own sheer determination. He is survived by wife Jodi, sister Ellen (Artsci '87) and parents Francis and Phyllis.

1985

Jane Burke-Robertson, LLB '85, MSJ, CStJ, a pre-eminent



Canadian lawyer in the charities and non-profit sector, died of cancer on May 4. She wrote Carswell's Non-Share Capital Corporations (1992), countless papers, articles and manuals, and, despite her illness, co-authored the upcoming Corporate and Practice Manual for Charities and Non-Profit Corporations. Jane was founding chair of the OBA's Charity and Not for Profit Section and

first chair of the CBA's section. She founded and taught Canada's first law school course on Charities and was a senior advisor-writer for Industry Canada in its administration of the *Canada Corporations Act*. Her extraordinary contributions to law and society, including pro-bono work for struggling charities and advisory positions with many national and international charities, earned her four major awards: the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal; investiture, twice, by the Governor General into the Order of St. John Ambulance, first as serving sister and then as Commander; the OBA's AMS/John Hodgson Award; and Volunteer of the Year Award from Thinking in Pictures Educational Society. Jane is survived by her husband, David Sherriff-Scott, and their four children, Alexander, Iain, Katharine and Michael.

#### 1987

**Christopher Allan Chenoweth, LLB** '87 (BA '80), died Oct. 10, 2012, at 57. He practised labour and employment law with Kuretzky Vassos in Toronto and spent part of his career as a *Toronto Star* business journalist. With a gift for mentoring, he was a valued volunteer with the Queen's Law Shadow Program. His brothers Brian and John and five nieces and nephews survive him.

#### 1994

**Eric Minto Swan, LLB** '94 (BA' 88), a partner (personal injury law) at MacDonald & Swan LLP in Oakville, ON, died of cancer on April 28 in his 48th year. At Queen's he captained the



Chiefs hockey team and pursued his life-long love of music as lead singer of the band Bora Laskin Experience. Eric is survived by his wife Anne, their children Connor, Bennett and Ella, his mother Marion, and his sisters Sandra and Karla (Artsci '91). His father Peter (BA '55, MTheol '02) survived Eric by

only a few weeks. As a tribute to their classmate's kindness, humour, love of life and Queen's, Law '94 has chosen the *Eric Swan Memorial Scholarship* as a Class Gift, hoping to announce at their 2014 Reunion pledges of \$50,000 for an annual award in perpetuity.

#### 1995

**Denny Hutner Pollock**, LLB '95, died at Kensington Hospice, Toronto, on Dec. 4, 2012. She was a sole practitioner (personal injury and employment) in North York. A generous supporter of Queen's, she established the Denny Hutner Pollock Bursary the same year she graduated, specifying it be awarded to Law students who are parents and sole supporters of at least one child under 13. Among Denny's survivors are her children Noah, Anthony and Katherine, their spouses, and six grandchildren.

#### 2005

Robert David Nelson, LLB '05, died June 21 in a tragic accident while helping his neighbours during the major flooding in Alberta. He was 41. While he worked to save people and their homes east of Okotoks, his ATV flipped over and he sustained a fatal head injury. Robert was a committed Mormon, skilled negotiator, and all-round athlete, at one time ranked 5th nationally in wrestling. He enjoyed a colourful career as a salesman and mechanic before earning degrees in International Management and Law, practising in Dubai and his native Calgary (at Gowlings, Osler's and Bennett Jones), and becoming a land developer in 2012. He is survived by Jennifer Anne and their six children: Taryn, Seth, Eton, Maysa, Asher and Ellery.

#### 2012

Mathew Richard N. Mezciems, JD '12, LSS President 2011-12,



died unexpectedly at 28 on July 18 in Bath, ON. Mathew is remembered as a compassionate, strong and gentle man who translated his values and law studies into a drive for social justice. He was also an all-round athlete with a particular zest for sledge hockey and downhill skiing. He is survived by his mother Karen, sisters Rebecca (Artsci '01, Ed '02) (Chris) and Rachel (Ryan), and niece Adelaide.





# Online entrepreneurs:

#### **COMBINING LAW WITH TECHNOLOGY**

From ground-breaking websites to leading edge software, four grads in the last three years have launched online businesses that are revolutionizing the practice of law. Whether it's cutting the time lawyers spend formatting 'standard' documents, helping lawyers update themselves on the latest laws, or putting lawyers in touch with prospective clients, they're streamlining the way legal work can be done.

BY GEORGIE BINKS

## Transforming the tools of law practice

#### **Brian Hunt**, Law '06 www.netpleadings.com

When Brian Hunt saw the length of time lawyers were spending drafting routine legal documents, one at a time, he observed "the amount of time they spent was often detrimental for the practice." So he developed www.netpleadings. **com** to make the whole process simpler and faster.

The website, which opened to limited subscription in February 2013, provides an online tool that automates and streamlines documents (including those for incorporation and litigation), as well as reports (such as corporate annual returns) and schedules. Hunt explains this not only allows lawyers to do more work more efficiently, but also to "increase the quality of their work by focussing on content as opposed to formatting."

With a pre-Law background in computer programming, Hunt had long-envisioned developing a tool that would improve the legal world from a tech point of view. In New Brunswick he'd worked with Q1 Labs which provides network security software for U.S. organizations like NASA and Homeland Security. Then, at Queen's, he crossed

paths with Professor Art Cockfield, Law '93. "He was quite influential in encouraging me to employ my tech background in some capacity in the legal field."

However, it was while practising civil litigation that the NetPleadings idea came to him, and the Ontario market appears to be just the start. He's already working on databases for other provinces, the USA and overseas. He says, "Legal office management is competitive, but as far as online document production and assembly, we're among the first to be in the commercialization stage."

He credits Queen's for potentially taking his business to an international level by sponsoring him to attend an international law seminar on the issue of countries going bankrupt and the absence of any system to resolve disputes between countries and creditors. "One vision for netpleadings.com is to facilitate communication between lawyers on both sides of these massive disputes."

Overall, the idea of putting more of lawyers' practice information online has really come of age, he says. "We don't get the pushback we would have gotten three or four years ago."





## Connecting real-time with Queen's Park

# Addison Cameron-Huff, Law '12

ontariomonitor.ca

# OntarioMonitor



Addison Cameron-Huff was sitting in his Securities Regulation course at Queen's one day when the idea for his online business came to him. "One of my instructors, Vanessa Grant (Law '95, a partner at McCarthy Tetrault LLP), was talking about the difficulty of finding out about changes in legislation that affect your practice. I investigated and discovered there was, in fact, no way of getting alerts when laws and regulations were changed."

So, in his third year of law school, he started an online political portal, **ontariomonitor.ca**, that tracks political processes at the Ontario legislature. "Clients choose key words, and whenever those words are mentioned in Hansard, new bills, regulations, the environment registry or new proclamations, they get an email alert within a few minutes of it going public."

It pays off. He cites one client who'd been dealing with a ministry issue for several months and had a meeting coming up. "An hour before the gathering, the ministry published the regulation the firm had been following. So they got the Monitor alert on their BlackBerry and were on top of the meeting."

Like Brian Hunt, Cameron-Huff had already established himself as a technowizard before studying law. In 2008, he worked on Ralph Nader's presidential campaign, creating a fundraising platform credited with tripling online donations. He'd won four programming competitions for building a web service from scratch in 24 hours. Even his articles had a techno-flair. His articling job included a secondment to Research in Motion as one of RIM's first articling

Originally his website was created for the legal profession, but Cameron-Huff says trade associations and unions are now his main customers. That's because his legal education helped him determine which aspects to include in the website, he says. "You have to understand the laws to determine which information is useful."

He, too, cites Professor Art Cockfield, for whom he has built a website, as "great to bounce ideas off." Right now, he owns Summerhill Design, a web development portfolio site, and plans to start his own law firm. "I'm going to practise technology law, contracts, privacy, online defamation, anything with a technology angle to it."

# Two sites link lawyers and potential clients

Both Jeff Fung and Shane Coblin felt they could best help the legal profession and the public by developing websites that connected the two. Fung's site offers a unique way for clients to find lawyers, while Coblin's acts as matchmaker for the two.

#### **Jeff Fung**, Law '08 mylawbid.com

Anyone who's ever complained about the cost of hiring a lawyer is going to enjoy logging onto MyLawBid.com. Founder Jeffrey Fung first stumbled upon the idea when he and his wife, Vanessa Lam, Law '08, were planning to buy a condominium. Realizing none of their friends practised real estate law, they resorted to online searches and friends' referrals. Now his site offers potential clients not only a place to locate a lawyer, but also a chance to have lawyers bid for their business.

As Fung explains, "People can put their legal issue out there and have lawyers compete to handle it. Ideally, connecting on this platform saves both users time and money."

His Queen's experience deserves some credit, he says. During his term as LSS President in 2007-08, it was proposing to the University Senate that the LLB degree designation be changed to JD that helped ignite his initiative and leadership. "In launching MyLawBid, I had to bring together different stakeholders in the legal industry to make it happen."

The site, launched in 2011, gives lawyers different membership levels. On average there are 4,500 visits a month to the website. "For a niche website like this in Canada, I think that's a lot."

Some lawyers have reservations, Fung admits, "feeling people may not understand the value behind legal services and why lawyers' rates vary. My response: If you charge for premium legal services you need to explain to people why you're better."

Overall, though, he says his site is making both clients and lawyers happy.

# mylawbid

"One of my friends buying a condo went on the website and got three responses. She picked the lawyer she thought was best and also very affordable. She was happy and the lawyer was happy. Without MyLawBid, I don't think they would have connected."

Fung is not saying his website is fixing major problems with access to justice, but it's one piece "that helps make legal information and lawyers more accessible by balancing out the bargaining power between lawyers and prospective clients."



Jeff Fung, Law '08

Not only have these four technological innovators made their mark by improving the world for lawyers and their clients, but they're sure to provide a remarkable influence on the next generation of Queen's Law students and entrepreneurs as well.

# Shane Coblin, Law '01 legallinkup.com

"It's a mix between the 'E-Harmony' dating site and 'Priceline'."

Shane Coblin laughs when he describes Legal Linkup, the site he cofounded in 2011 with Toronto businessman Lawrence Tepperman. Coblin says he realized its necessity when he saw the difficulty lawyers and prospective clients were having trying to connect. "The average person doesn't know where to go to find the lawyer he or she needs."

Coblin, a partner with Kornfeld LLP in Vancouver, developed what he calls one-stop shopping for lawyers. "When you go on our site you can confidentially and anonymously fill out our form and indicate what type of lawyer you're looking for. We put you in contact and then you figure out whether you want to work together."

Lawyers' on-site profiles provide everything from a description of their services to their rates. Lawyers pay a flat subscription fee, monthly or yearly. The site is free to consumers. Coblin says lawyers and clients love it and the site, accessible from anywhere in the country, is growing, currently most popular in Toronto and Winnipeg, with a few customers in British Columbia.

Coblin says he's always been interested in technology. During his undergraduate years, he developed mylocalbid.com, a location-based auction website that allows customers to buy, locally, items too big for eBay shipping. "I've always had my eye on technology to streamline everything. Our profession is crying out for a digital overhaul. There are so many time-saving features out there now that our profession should be taking advantage of!"

He used his legal knowledge to come up with the site's basic structure and hired developers for the nitty-gritty.

The fact that QUICKLAW was developed out of Queen's had a huge influence on him, he says. "Queen's connection to that kind of innovation was ground-breaking."

# LEGAL LINKUP I



Shane Coblin, Law '01

# LSUC awards honorary doctorates to trio of judicial alumni

#### BY GEORGIE BINKS

Three Queen's Law grads have been awarded honorary doctorates (LLDs) by the Law Society of Upper Canada (LSUC) in the past two years. In 2012 **Heather Smith, Law '71** (Arts '68), Chief Justice of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, received the degree. This year, **J. Douglas Cunningham, QC, Law '67**, former Associate Chief Justice of the same court, and **Annemarie Bonkalo, Law '76** (Arts '72), Chief Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice, were recognized.

Each year, the LSUC salutes outstanding achievement by distinguished members of the law and other professions by awarding LLDs at its Call to the Bar ceremonies.

Chief Justice Bonkalo's honorary degree was for exemplary service to the profession and the judiciary, especially for helping to advance the status of women practising law. "That's because I'm visible," she says. "I was the first woman appointed as an assistant Crown attorney in Peel Region and I am the first female chief justice of our court."

When she graduated from law school in 1976, less than a quarter of the class was female and there was no maternity leave for Crown attorneys. It wasn't until she was married to Gerald Sadvari, Law '76, and the mother of three school-aged children (Alison, Eric, Law '09, and Alexandra, Law '10) that her first mentor, Leo McGuigan, allowed her to work flex time. She praises him for that and feels law firms could be more supportive of women. Another barrier she faced when entering the practice of law was her last name. "Pronouncing it was problematic for some in the profession. When I mention that these days, people are surprised because we have so many more varied names."

In her recollections of Queen's, she says several professors stand out. "They're Stanley (Sonny) Sadinsky, who taught civil procedure, John Whyte, who taught constitutional law, Ron Delisle for advanced evidence, and David Mullan, a close friend from whom I continue to learn. The wonderful thing was that when you got to Queen's you felt they helped you as much as they could so that you would succeed."

She encouraged her audience of new lawyers to volunteer and accept every new responsibility that comes their way. "You never know how it might assist and in the end both you and society benefit."

Fellow honouree Douglas Cunningham, known for outstanding advocacy skills, judgment and passion for law, was recognized for his dedicated service as a lawyer, mentor and judge. "I was absolutely delighted," he says. "It's something as a young lawyer I couldn't have imagined, but now, along with my entire family, I feel tremendously honoured."

Justice Cunningham practised law in Kingston for 22 years, and was fortunate to have practised for 20 of those years with his father at Cunningham Swan LLP. In 1991 he was appointed to the bench. "Practising law was a wonderful experience; so was being a judge and being able to focus on one case at a time. There's a great intellectual challenge involved, and I've thoroughly loved it."



Chief Justice Annemarie Bonkalo, Law '76, signs the LLD register with Law Society Treasurer Thomas G. Conway (left) and Law Society CEO Robert G. W. Lapper, QC, at the Call to the Bar ceremony in Toronto on June 21.

In 2012, Cunningham headed up the City of Mississauga Judicial Inquiry involving celebrity Mayor Hazel McCallion. "People warned me it would be very politically charged, but I leapt at it. It proved to be a very good experience, because I was blessed with tremendous counsel. There was a great sense of civility throughout the whole inquiry."

Now retired as a judge and involved in mediation and arbitration at Neeson Arbitration Chambers, he advised the new lawyers at his LSUC laureation, "Don't be afraid to seek advice from senior members of the bar. I was fortunate to have a number of mentors. Being around them was such a learning experience!"

He also spoke highly of some of his professors at Queen's Law. "Dean Bill Lederman, Stuart Ryan, Dan Soberman and Allan Mewett were first-rate, all of them," he recalls. "They really opened my eyes to whole new areas I didn't know about going in."

Chief Justice Heather Smith's 2012 honour recognized her distinguished legal career, which has been marked by her ongoing passion for sound judicial process, good governance, and better administration of justice. She began her career in 1973 as the first female Crown Prosecutor for Justice Canada. From there she was appointed senior counsel and then a judge in 1983. In 2002, she made history again as the first-ever female Chief Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice. In her address to the new lawyers, she told them how to "build a life in law that is both fulfilling and meaningful."

She advised them not to simply concentrate on the number of cases they win or the number of hours billed. "No doubt, during law school and your articles, you were immersed in learning the fundamental core values that exemplify all professionals – professionalism, civility, ethical conduct and respect. But another value lies at the heart of many professions, and the legal profession in particular: the essential



Honouree J. Douglas Cunningham, QC, Law '67, receives an LLD hood from Lee Ferrier, a former Law Society Treasurer and judge, at the Call to the Bar ceremony in Ottawa on June 18.

duty of public service. By choosing a career in law, you have chosen to reference your life by your service to the public." It was such values she learned as a Queen's Law student that prepared her, she said, for her eventual role as Chief Justice.

In fact, all three honorees credit their Queen's professors with laying the legal foundation that encouraged them in all their legal ambitions.



Chief Justice Heather Smith, Law '71, signs the LLD Register at the January 27, 2012, Call to the Bar ceremony in Toronto, while then Law Society Treasurer Laurie H. Pawlitza looks on.



Frank Walwyn, Law '93, poses with his 2013 Lincoln Alexander Award at the Law Society's annual award ceremony in Toronto on May 29.

# Law '93 grad on Dean's Council wins LSUC's Lincoln Alexander Award

**Frank Walwyn, Law '93**, has won the 2013 Lincoln Alexander Award from the Law Society of Upper Canada. It is presented annually to an Ontario lawyer who demonstrates a commitment to public well-being through community service.

Of winning the award, Walwyn says, "It's certainly an honour, especially when it has Lincoln Alexander's name behind it. He was clearly one of the black leaders of my time who influenced me." (The former Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario received an honorary LLD at Queen's 1992 Law Convocation.)

Walwyn, a partner at WeirFoulds LLP and a new member of the Dean's Council at Queen's Law, truly is dedicated to community service, particularly the black community. He more than doubled membership in the Canadian Association of Black Lawyers (CABL) during his presidency (2008-12).

His work with the CABL includes frequent visits with young people. "We've especially targeted at-risk communities, trying to show black kids there's more than rap music and sports. It's important they see somebody like themselves in a different role."

Walwyn was called to the Ontario Bar in 1995 and then to the Bars of St. Kitts and Nevis, Dominica, Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, the British Virgin Islands, Belize and Barbados. A past director of The Advocates' Society, he is currently a member of the CABL advisory board and the Judicial Appointments Advisory Committee (Ontario Provincial Court). In 2012 he was among the notable Canadians awarded a commemorative Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for "significant contributions and achievements."

Looking back, he says his Queen's professors were role models. "They taught students that law wasn't just about the corporate contract, it was also about the social contract and the need to ensure the rule of law. They gave of themselves to the community. It was an inspiration to see leaders in the legal profession going out and giving time."

Of his own community work, he says, "The reward is just doing good. There is so much work to be done!"

— GEORGIE BINKS

#### Law '92 alumna's litigation expertise for Visa Canada recognized nationally

Amy Gaskin, Law'92, General Counsel & Head of Legal for Visa Canada Corporation, is co-recipient of the 2013 Canadian General Counsel Award (CGCA) for Litigation Management, co-sponsored by the *National Post* and ZSA Legal Recruitment.

In addition to her role as in-house lawyer for Visa Canada, Gaskin is also Secretary of the Visa Canada Corporation Board. She is responsible for the legal affairs of the credit card company's business in Canada, including commercial and incentive contracts, regulatory issues, litigation and corporate matters. Being an in-house lawyer is especially enjoyable, she says, for the opportunities it gives her to collaborate as part of a business team and to offer her expertise at the early stages of projects. "With an intimate knowledge of the credit card business built over 14 years with Visa, I can provide legal advice that is contextual and practical and can eliminate or mitigate risks early on."

She put those skills to work when she and CGCA co-winner Andrea Cotroneo (VP, Senior Managing Region Counsel, at rival MasterCard) became allies in 2010 in a case where the Competition Bureau argued that the rules imposed by the credit card companies on merchants are anticompetitive. Gaskin and Cotroneo are also joint defendants in a number of private class-action suits based on similar allegations.

"Andrea and I have no trouble setting aside our companies" rivalry in this context," says Gaskin. "It makes perfect sense that we should receive the Litigation Management award jointly." In fact, she feels "extremely honoured" to share it and "fortunate to work with the amazing legal teams from both our companies who made it possible."



Amy Gaskin, Law '92, at the Canadian General Counsel Awards ceremony on June 17 at the Fairmont Royal York in Toronto

Looking back to her Queen's days, Gaskin recalls Professor Denis Magnusson, Law '68, fondly. "The Competition Law course he taught seemed a bit of an obscure area of law to me at the time, but it has certainly come in handy in the past few years of managing competition-related litigation matters."

ANITA JANSMAN

## New judge, Law '86 grad, an "excellent" teacher of advocacy skills



Robert Bell, an executive board member of The Advocates' Society, presents the Award for Excellence in Teaching to Wendy Matheson, Law '86, in Toronto on June 6.

For Wendy Matheson, Law '86, June was a landmark month in her legal career. The Advocates' Society (TAS) presented her with its 2013 Award for Excellence in Teaching on June 6, recognizing her "outstanding contributions in the classroom and to the profession" at the Society's end-of-term dinner in Toronto. The next day, federal Justice Minister Rob Nicholson announced her appointment to Ontario's Superior Court of Justice (Toronto). (See Judicial Appointments, p.56.)

Speaking to Queen's Law Reports about the teaching award, Justice Matheson pointed out that continuing legal education for advocates in Canada is "one of the primary mandates of The Advocates' Society," of which she has twice been director. "I've been privileged to spend a fairly significant amount of time over the last 25 years in various capacities assisting with that objective," she said. "To be recognized as having helped is a wonderful honour."

Before her appointment to the bench, she was a partner at Torys LLP, with extensive class action and IT experience. Concurrently she devoted almost a decade to the faculty and organizing committee of the award-winning program Written Advocacy and also chaired TAS's Education Committee, taught LSUC courses, and instructed in IP law at Osgoode.

Award presenter at the TAS dinner was Robert Bell, an executive board member. He said it was the Society's honour to recognize Matheson's "tremendous commitment," and that "for more than 14 years she has been an active instructor in some 50 TAS education programs and a driving force behind curriculum development and faculty recruitment."

She responded that "when you can, it's good to give back to the community you work in." And the teaching she "loves" has a bonus: "It also improves your own legal skills and expertise."

Matheson's belief that "teaching is itself advocacy" stems from her Queen's Law years, she says, "when I was taught by professors very skilled in that way. My favorite was Dave Mullan - such a superb teacher that it didn't matter what he was teaching, I always wanted to take that course."

— GEORGIE BINKS

#### Law '06 grad a Trudeau Scholar researching the role of human dignity in law

**Emily Kidd White, Law '06** (Artsci '03), a JSD student at the New York University School of Law, has won a Trudeau Foundation Scholarship for her doctoral dissertation "Indignity: A Study of the Role of Emotion in Human Rights Jurisprudence." Trudeau Scholars are seen as future national and international leaders in their respective fields.

The scholarship is granted annually to a maximum of 15 Canadian doctoral students who are pursuing research related to one of the Foundation's four themes and provides promising scholars with \$60,000 per year for their research for up to four years. It also guarantees networking opportunities, and Kidd White describes this access to an influential and innovative group of scholars and policy-makers as one of its greatest benefits to her, along with "the ability to attend conferences, present papers, and build professional relationships in my subject areas all over the world."

Kidd White's research questions the "actual" versus "ideal" role human dignity should play in the justice system. She argues that human dignity is fundamental to the legal system but largely misunderstood. "The legal commitment to human dignity is meant to have force. Yet the concept seems resistant to concrete definition. My dissertation addresses this gap by investigating how the concept helps rights claimants expose the injustice of a legislative scheme or government act through the admission of evidence detailing suffering and degradation."

Professor Jeremy Waldron, an internationally renowned legal academic, is Kidd White's doctoral supervisor. He told NYU News what makes her work distinctive: "Emily brings to bear important insights from the philosophy of the emotions to understand the emotional significance of appeals to dignity in human rights cases. ... She has been able to show how important the emotional dimension is for a full-blooded understanding of what matters in certain legal arguments."

As she herself puts it, the importance of her research is in its novelty. "Theoretically, my project breaks new ground in its reaction against a dominant strain in legal theory that maintains that emotions always have a negative effect on legal reasoning." Her research, she adds, "is important for



Emily Kidd White, Law '06, a 2013 Trudeau Scholar

understanding how courts come to recognize the pernicious effects of a legislative scheme or government act on a vulnerable group or individual."

She cites three experiences at Queen's that set the foundation for her JSD research: philosophy seminars for her undergraduate degree that introduced her to a way of understanding ethical life as involving emotions in a significant way; Professor Malcolm Thorburn's "fine introduction" to H.L.A. Hart's The Concept of Law in his Jurisprudence seminars; and an individual supervised project she wrote for Professor Mark Walters, Law '89.

"After my incredibly rewarding time at Queen's Law," she says, "I knew that I wanted to pursue an academic career in human rights and legal theory and a lifetime engagement with the questions first posed in these courses of study."

— KAITLIN SHUNG



#### Catzman Award cites CLCW member's 'professionalism and civility'

Connie Reeve, Law '82, a partner at Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP, Toronto, won the 2012 Catzman Award for Professionalism and Civility. The award celebrates the values, dedication and ideals exemplified by Justice Marvin A. Catzman (Court of Appeal for Ontario) and was founded in his memory by his family, The Advocates' Society (TAS), and the Chief Justice of Ontario's Advisory Committee on Professionalism.



Connie Reeve (middle), Law '82, winner of the 2012 Catzman Award, with Julie Catzman and Peter H. Griffin, Law '77, then President of The Advocates' Society, at the Toronto Court House on September 12, 2012

Reeve says, "It's an honour to receive the award and to be recognized as living some of the qualities this distinguished jurist believed lawyers should have."

A leader in her firm's Employment and Labour practice, and described by her peers as a generous mentor of colleagues and students, especially women, both within her firm and the larger profession, Reeve is also valued at Queen's as a member of the Advisory Committee for the pioneering Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace and a former sessional lecturer on Alternative Dispute Resolution. She has also chaired and taught many CLE programs with TAS and, motivated by the advancement of women, co-chaired a subcommittee of the Law Society of Upper Canada's "Return to Practice" initiative.

"I love teaching and mentoring," she says; "that's the way I learned. I was lucky to have some very good mentors when I started in practice."

In presenting the award, Chief Justice of Ontario Warren Winkler quoted Reeve's nominees. One was struck by her "graciousness, cooperativeness and civility while representing her client's interests expertly and faithfully." Another, calling her "not only the heart and brains of the law but also its grace and empathy," noted that "she does not personalize disputes, but treats everyone with respect."

Reeve credits Queen's Law — and "such good professors" - with emphasizing the right values. "Mark Weisberg's courses on legal process dealt with larger questions concerning the role of law and lawyers in society. I didn't go to law school for job training. I went to develop a way of thinking about and analyzing the legal world."

— GEORGIE BINKS

## Ottawa peers salute Law '68 grad's lifetime work with 2013 Feinstein Award

William C.V. "Bill" Johnson, Law '68, received the 2013 Abe Feinstein Solicitor Award from the County of Carleton Law Association (CCLA) for distinguished and exemplary service to the Association, the profession and the Ottawa community throughout his career.

Before retiring in 2011, Johnson (also a CA) had served many of Ottawa's prominent business people for four decades, most of those years with Scott & Aylen and latterly with the Ottawa office of Borden Ladner Gervais LLP. His practice focused on corporate and commercial law, succession planning, tax law and business financing. He has also taught accounting for lawyers and professional responsibility and ethics in Ottawa U's Common Law Section for many years.

The award was presented at the Solicitors Conference at Château Montebello in May. Jamison Young, an associate at BLG, introduced Johnson as "one of the finest solicitors who has ever served Carleton County" and "his mentor for all matters of ethics, citizenship and commitment to the integrity of the law profession."



Bill Johnson (left), Law '68, displays his award with Abe Feinstein at CCLA Solicitors Conference at Château Montebello on May 3.

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Johnson always advocated involvement in the CCLA, he said, was a former president, and had established and strongly promoted this annual conference. "How fitting it is," Young concluded, "that Bill's dedication to and passion for the CCLA should earn him recognition in this very place."

Johnson says he's deeply honoured that the Solicitor Award acknowledges "a lifetime of work in the law, because anyone whose work is the law wants to do something useful." Among many organizations in which he made a difference as volunteer and advisor were the Ontario Bar Association, the Canadian Foundation for Refugees, the Canadian Mental Health Association, Algonquin College, and Queen's Law Advisory Council (1997-2003).

As influences on him as a teacher and mentor, Johnson credits several of his Queen's Law professors, especially Stuart Ryan — "a tolerant and much loved teacher with an interesting view of the history of law" — and Dean Lederman - "a very courageous thinker." In the award presenter's words, "Bill Johnson's personal mission was infused with those same values."

— GEORGIE BINKS

#### Law '77 founders of LSUC Family Law Summit honoured for their contributions to professional development in a "dynamic, ever-changing" field





Law '77 classmates Professor Nick Bala and Paul McInnis with their awards

Two Law '77 alumni — Professor Nick Bala and Paul McInnis have been recognized for their seven-year roles as co-chairs of the Law Society of Upper Canada's Family Law Summit. Their Continuing Professional Development Long-term Achievement Awards were presented at this year's Summit in Toronto.

Bala's research at Queen's Law has made him a nationally respected family law expert. His classmate has also made it his specialty as a partner at McInnis & Nicoll in Toronto. In 2006 they began co-chairing the newly established Family Law Summit to bring together practitioners, judges, and academics to review the field's practice issues, case law, professionalism, and legislative changes. "We wanted to make the Summit interesting and practical, but also provide a more theoretical examination of the topics," explains McInnis. "When we added a social aspect, it proved to be a great way for lawyers from out of town to network."

Both have enjoyed seeing the Summit grow from 200 attendees in 2006 to more than 800 this year. Bala credits much of this growth to the technology that enables people to attend presentations via the web and the introduction of mandatory CLE, as well as the program's quality.

Since Bala and McInnis are leaving their roles as co-chairs, it was fitting that the two practitioners who'll succeed them - Mary-Jo Maur, Law '85, LLM '93, and Daniel Melamed presented the awards.

"I was proud to recognize the tremendous service of my Toronto colleague Paul over the past seven years," says Melamed.

Maur feels the same way about her former professor. "I can't imagine a more worthy recipient than Nick," she says. "He taught me that family law is dynamic, ever-changing, and affects Canadian society every day."

Both winners feel "honoured" by the award. "Our profession involves a lot of volunteer work," says Bala, "and it's wonderful to see how appreciative people are."

"I loved working on the Summit," adds McInnis. "It's been a creative and hugely rewarding experience."

Bala agrees. "The Summit has allowed me, as an academic, to stay in touch with family law's current issues. It has been extremely worthwhile and stimulating."

ANITA JANSMAN

#### Alberta judge wins H.R.S. Ryan Award

Jo'Anne Strekaf, Law'80, Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, was presented with the 2013 H.R.S. Ryan Alumni Award at a recent gathering for Calgary area Grant Hall Society members. "We're pleased to honour her significant contributions to the Law Faculty, the legal profession, and the broader community," Dean Bill Flanagan told attendees.

"It was a complete surprise, and a real honour, to be recognized by my law school," says Justice Strekaf. She was appointed a judge in 2007 after a distinguished 27-year career at Bennett Jones LLP in Calgary, where she was a partner in the Litigation Department, a member of the firm's Competition Law Practice and Research Practice Groups, and had been recognized annually by LEXPERT/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada as a top competition/antitrust lawyer.

Concurrently, she also served the Canadian Bar Association—chairing its National Competition Law Section, among other activities—and her alma mater as a Dean's Council member (2006-09).

The community also knows Justice Strekaf as a driving force behind a school for children with autism. "When my oldest daughter, Mary, was diagnosed with autism in 1996, there were no appropriate school programs in the city," she says. So she joined four other Calgary families to open the Janus Academy Society and served as its president for eight years (1996-2004). When Mary graduated, Justice Strekaf spearheaded the Community Based Day Program for Adults with Autism Spectrum Disorder, a collaboration of the Janus Academy Society, The Ability Hub and Alberta PDD. This two-year pilot project kicked off last September.



Dean Bill Flanagan presents the H.R.S. Ryan Alumni Award to Justice Jo'Anne Strekaf, Law '80, at the Grant Hall Society Reception held at the Fairmont Palliser in Calgary on April 17.

The new Ryan winner says Queen's influenced both her law career and her community work. "I was quite involved with Legal Aid and with the Correctional Law Project," she recalls. "Both were great student experiences that helped me learn the value of providing legal services and that as a volunteer you always end up getting more than you give."

To celebrate Justice Strekaf's award, legal community friends set up an education equity fund in her name at Queen's Law. Its income will support a program whereby upper-year law students are hired to tutor first-years. For more information and to make a donation, visit http://law.queensu.ca/alumni/NewFacultyInitiatives.html

— KIRSTEEN MACLEOD

## Kingston alumni applaud Law '75 grad for strengthening town-gown relations



Harvey Rosen (second from left), Law '75, displays his Padre Laverty Award with KEDCO CEO Jeff Garrah (left), Principal Daniel Woolf, Padre Laverty's daughter Lea Rutherford, and Kingston Branch President Lee Wetherall in Ban Righ Hall on May 16.

Former Kingston mayor **Harvey Rosen**, **Law '75**, is the 2013 winner of the Padre Laverty Award, an honour from the Kingston Branch of Queen's alumni that recognizes outstanding service to both the community and the University.

Rosen practised Law until 2000, then joined the family business. After six years in municipal politics and a term as president of Beth Israel Congregation, Rosen was elected Kingston's 94th mayor in 2003, retiring in 2010 after two citybuilding terms. As mayor, he worked tirelessly to promote the combined interests of his alma mater and the city.

At the Kingston Branch dinner in May, presenter Jeff Garrah, Artsci '96, CEO, Kingston Economic Development Corporation, credited Rosen's "unfailing commitment to Kingston" with the K-Rock Centre and other hockey facilities, Grand Theatre renovations, the Market Square's renewal and skating rink, and the launch of the Kingston-Pembroke Trail for hiking and biking.

"In the spirit of Padre Laverty, Harvey believes firmly in town-gown relations with all of the constituencies that make up the City. His liaison work with the Canadian Forces, the arts community, and the social services community was tremendous," said Garrah. It was also Mayor Rosen who negotiated for the waterfront property where the Isabel Bader Centre for the Performing Arts continues to rise.

"Queen's has been and continues to be very close to my heart," Rosen responded. "Each year I was mayor I addressed the frosh class. I told them what special places Queen's and Kingston are."

It was growing up in the campus neighborhood that made him a life-long Gaels football fan, he added. As a law student, his attachment to Queen's strengthened, and he recalls fondly his fellow students and professors. "The professors were excellent teachers and mentors," he says. "Sonny Sadinsky was always very supportive and so was Gordon Bale."

Rosen now owns and manages a Rideau Waterway vacation retreat, The Cottages-at-Turtlehill, in Newboro, Ontario, with his wife Sharon.

- ANITA JANSMAN

#### Access-to-Justice activist, Law '84 grad, honoured by Vancouver peers

Carman J. Overholt, QC, Law '84, is the 2013 winner of the Kathleen Beaumont Hill Award, the highest honour given by the Queen's University Alumni Association's Vancouver Branch. The award, recognizing outstanding service, advocacy, support and commitment "to the betterment of Queen's and Canada" was presented at the Branch's reception in September.

It was in the late 1990s that Overholt founded what he calls his "proudest" contribution - Pro Bono Law of B.C., an organization dedicated to promoting access to justice in the province by providing quality legal services for people and organizations that might not otherwise be able to afford them. Aware of the many young lawyers who wanted to give back, he saw a need to structure and formalize the delivery of pro bono legal services and then to promote their importance to the legal profession. After a three-year process, the B.C. legal community supported his Pro Bono Initiative to supplement government-funded legal aid. The initiative has stood the test of time.

In presenting the award, Principal Daniel Woolf, Artsci '80, commented on the far-reaching significance of Overholt's work. "It's this type of leadership that will help Canada achieve equal justice for all by 2030, the aim of the Canadian Bar Association in its newest report on access to legal resources."

Overholt responded that it was his work with Queen's Legal Aid as a student that inspired his drive to start Pro Bono Law of B.C. "I was touched by the needs of the Kingston community, including the families of inmates at the area's various correctional facilities. The Queen's Law Students' Legal Aid Society made me excited about the practice of law, and that experience has always stayed with me."

Now running his own boutique firm Overholt Law and recognized as a leader in labour and employment law by such directories as Best Lawyers in Canada, he remains supportive of his alma mater in several ways beyond financially. He sits on the Advisory Committee of the Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace, is a former Dean's Council member, introduces recent Law grads to the Vancouver legal community, and organizes class reunions as Law '84's Permanent Class President.

"I am humbled," he says of winning the award, "because I've been working so hard for years to give something back to the school that gave me so much." (With files from Michael Onesi, Alumni Relations)



Principal Daniel Woolf congratulates Carman Overholt, Law '84, on receiving the Kathleen Beaumont Hill Award at the Vancouver Club on September 25.

#### Four alumni "Leading Lawyers Under 40" among Lexpert's 'Rising Stars'







Frédéric Cotnoir, Law '99

Paul Guy, Law '03

Leanne Krawchuk, Law '97

Justin Mooney, Law 'oo

Four remarkable grads practising in three major cities -Frédéric Cotnoir, Law '99, Paul Guy, Law '03, Leanne Krawchuk, **Law '97**, and **Justin Mooney**, **Law '00** — were named in Lexpert's list of 2012 Rising Stars: Leading Lawyers Under 40.

At its annual gala dinner and awards presentation held in Toronto, the magazine paid tribute to the special group of upcoming "stars," whose impressive skills and accomplishments have already made an impact on Canada's legal profession.

Frédéric Cotnoir, a corporate and securities lawyer with McCarthy Tétrault LLP in Montreal, has been involved in a number of notable business deals over the years, including the BCE-proposed purchase of Astral Media, the Desjardins Group's 2011 acquisition of Western Financial, and the divestiture of Hydro-Québec's interest in Latin America. He says, "The most interesting part of my work is bringing people together to achieve their goals. You can be extremely creative, but you need to listen to each party and present something that achieves everybody's objective."

Regularly nominated as his firm's Mentor of the Year, Cotnoir sits on the board of Le Vivier, a community initiative that facilitates the development of new music, and is a supporter of Montreal's Esprit de Corps' Foundation, which provides life coaching and fundraising for challenged "monoparental" families.

When Cotnoir attended Queen's he was a joint civil law/common law student with a civil law degree from Sherbrooke. As a francophone he found the first few months challenging, but it was easier, he says, coping with "legal" English, "a specific expertise," than with conversational English. He remembers fondly the property law course given by Professor (now Dean) Bill Flanagan and his time as a member of the Golden Gaels volleyball team.

Paul Guy, a partner at WeirFoulds LLP in Toronto, specializes in corporate commercial, insolvency, and public law litigation. Among his high-profile clients has been former Prime Minister Brian Mulroney.

Guy says he finds it intellectually exciting to work on "interesting, complicated and important legal issues with very smart people - not just my colleagues, but accomplished lawyers on the other side as well." That's why it was a highlight,

he adds, to argue the complicated AbitibiBowater restructuring case recently before the Supreme Court of Canada. "That was a cutting-edge insolvency law problem involving constitutional law as well."

Guy also acted at the Supreme Court of Canada for a group of commercial BC fishers challenging an affirmative action program that allowed an aboriginal band exclusive fishing rights. "It was a monumental event in their life and an important issue for the development of Canadian constitutional law."

In the decade since his own student days, Guy has been heavily involved in recruiting and mentoring students at his firm. Recalling his time at Queen's, he says the Legal Aid clinic had a huge impact on him. "It really prepared me for the practice of law — everything from interacting with clients, to interviewing witnesses, to getting into court and making an argument."

Leanne Krawchuk, who leads the corporate commercial department and mining practice group in Edmonton for the global firm Dentons LLP, says the best part of her job is dealing with clients. "At the end of the day the most rewarding part is developing clients who come to see you as their trusted advisor. You see that with longer-term clients - and in law practice you do hope that your clients are long-term. I enjoy hearing about and dealing with the finer points of their businesses."

In her practice, she also focuses on mergers and acquisitions, securities, and construction law, and has acted as counsel for many high-profile clients in each of her areas. She has also been a director and chair of the Governance Committee of the Women Building Futures Society, a pro bono legal advisor, and Secretary to the Edmonton Oilers Community Foundation.

Krawchuk credits her "fantastic" professor (now Dean) Bill Flanagan with piquing her interest in her field. "He always had real case studies and made corporate law very interesting and exciting."

Justin Mooney, who practises corporate/commercial and real estate law with Davis LLP in Toronto, says, "I get the most kick out of helping people with their business issues - entrepreneurs in particular. I like helping them bring their ideas to fruition and strategizing with them on ways to grow their businesses. In one case, I helped an Italian immigrant who came here with nothing, started a business, and sold it 30 years later for \$50 million. I was there when he got the cheque; that's a moment that sticks out in my mind."

Mooney, who is also qualified as a lawyer in England and Wales and has practised in London, is among the founding directors of both the Richmond Hill Philharmonic Orchestra and East Coast Connected, a professional networking hub for people from Atlantic Canada who now live in the GTA.

While complimentary about Queen's Law faculty overall, he singles out Professor Don Stuart. "I had him in my first year. I thought he was phenomenal."

Clearly, that's how the Rising Stars Advisory Board feels about these graduates.

— GEORGIE BINKS

#### Frontenac Law Association honours CLCW member with Lou Tepper Award

Carol Mackillop, Law '94 (MSc'84), was presented with the 2013 Lou Tepper Award of Excellence at the Frontenac Law Association banquet in June. The honour recognizes exceptional community involvement and contributions to the legal profession in Frontenac County.

With understatement, Mackillop calls her career "engaging." Her downtown Kingston law firm specializes in labour and employment law - "all the law that applies to the workplace, from human rights to labour unions," she explains.

Even with a busy law practice, Mackillop still finds time to "give back." She supports her passions – law, health and the arts - in various ways. At Queen's, she serves on the Advisory Committe for the Centre for Law in the Contemporary Workplace (CLCW) and volunteers as a coach to help train students for competitive mooting. She serves on the boards of both the Kingston Symphony and the Grand Theatre Foundation, was the first woman to chair the Board of Directors of Kingston General Hospital, and is a member of the Greater Kingston Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club of Cataraqui-Kingston. She is also active in the Women's Giving

Circle, a group dedicated to raising funds for health care research – a passion she traces back to studies for her BA in biology and MSc in biochemistry.

Justice Anne Trousdale, Law '76, speaks highly of Mackillop's commitment to excellence. "I admire her organizational skills, and her attention to detail and preparation. She achieves excellence in so many different aspects of life — her work, her community and her family."

When Mackillop returned to school to study law, she was in her early 30s and a young mother. Her late lawyer-brother Chris Wartman, LLB '82 (see pg. 33), had been "an inspiring role model," and she gives credit to him, Queen's Law faculty, and her fellow students for her success today. "Queen's was wonderful," she says "and [the late] Hugh Lawford was particularly encouraging. He made me believe I could be a good lawyer."

Remembering the late Lou Tepper (BA '51) as a "fabulous role model for me and many in the legal profession," she adds, "It truly is a great honour to have received the award named for him."

— ANITA JANSMAN



Carol Mackillop, Law '94, poses with the painting of the Frontenac County Courthouse presented to her as this year's Lou Tepper Award of Excellence recipient.

#### Two alumnae among Canada's "Most Powerful Women," says WXN







Leslie O'Donoghue, Law '88

The Women's Executive Network (WXN) named two Queen's Law graduates - Judy Goldring, Law '91, and Leslie O'Donoghue, **Law '88** — as recipients of the 2012 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Awards.

These awards, which celebrate the professional achievements of women across the country in the private, public and not-for-profit sectors, named both alumnae in the corporate executive category. Judy Goldring is Executive Vice-President and Chief Operating Officer for AGF Management, Toronto, and Leslie O'Donoghue is Executive Vice-President, Corporate Development and Strategy, and Chief Risk Officer for Agrium Inc. of Calgary.

Goldring, who joined AGF as general counsel in 1998, was named COO of the mutual fund company in 2009. Her job involves promoting AGF's growth and ensuring it operates effectively. She also sits on AGF's board of directors.

For women pursuing leadership positions, Goldring advises, "You have to work hard and seek out opportunities. Don't just wait for someone to hand them to you. If you're nervous and uneasy about that next opportunity, that's good, because you're going to stretch yourself."

She also has advice for women who often worry about their shortcomings: "Know what you don't know and get the necessary support and help around you. That way you won't fail. Do it in all aspects of your life." She admits, "I couldn't do it without a husband who is supportive of the hours I work."

Goldring says that because the role of corporate counsel has become much more interesting, it affords both male and female lawyers a great career. "It automatically provides a different kind of balance of lifestyle. You still have time pressures, but you have more control over your time."

For the last five years, she has co-chaired the Toronto Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's Ride for Research, which raises \$3 million annually. She is also Vice-Chair of the Governing Council of her undergraduate alma mater — the University of Toronto.

Goldring is complimentary about her Queen's mentors.

"My first year in law school was a real shift in thinking for me, and Dan Soberman, who taught me contract law, really helped me. Virginia Bartley was very open and willing and made me feel very welcome."

For co-winner Leslie O'Donoghue, this marks her third time on the WXN Top 100 list (and her first, incidentally, on Canadian Lawyer's list of the "Top 25 Most Influential" legal professionals in Canada, with "Top 5" honours in the In-House Council category).

Responsible for Agrium's strategic direction and for implementing the company's growth strategy, O'Donoghue has managed the fertilizer business's operations around the world since joining Agrium in 1999. "We started out as a North American company," she explains, "but we're looking to grow in Europe, Asia Pacific and South America. It's all about feeding the world."

O'Donoghue established the Agrium Women's Leadership Group, which has developed an internal network to help women in the company succeed. Like Goldring, she encourages women to take chances. "My first foray out of legal was terribly uncomfortable because all I knew was legal, but sometimes you need the confidence to step out and be okay with being a little bit uncomfortable. With hard work, you will find that you can do something just as well as the next person. It is also important to have the right support systems, people and culture around you to help you succeed."

This year, O'Donoghue is co-chairing Calgary's United Way Campaign. She is also a member of the Pembina Pipeline Corp. board of directors and the Queen's Law Dean's

O'Donoghue attributes her confidence to several Queen's professors, acknowledging that two of them, David Mullan and Mark Weisberg, had a huge influence on her. "When I arrived in first year, I was under-confident, and both professors were confidence boosters."

As two of Canada's Most Powerful Women, she and Judy Goldring are certainly paying that Queen's experience forward.

— GEORGIE BINKS

#### Aboriginal leader from Law '90 now Saskatchewan U's Chancellor

Blaine Favel, Law '90, President of One Earth Oil and Gas and a former Chief of the Poundmaker Cree Nation, began an appointment as Chancellor of the University of Saskatchewan on July 1.

An influential First Nations leader and Harvard MBA grad, Favel was instrumental in developing the First Nations Bank of Canada and the Saskatchewan Indian Gaming Authority. He was also a senior Canadian diplomat as Counsellor on International Indigenous Issues with the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, served as a special advisor when Phil Fontaine was Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, and was a panelist on the Indian Residential Schools Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

"It's an honour to be chancellor of the university where I received my undergraduate degree," says Favel, who was also honoured with an LLD in 2012.

Although mostly ceremonial in nature, the chancellor's role will allow Favel to focus on two goals he says are "near and dear" to his heart: aligning the university with Saskatchewan's current economic success and increasing the profile, education and career opportunities for Aboriginal young people in the province.

Favel regards the "excellent quality of education" he received at Queen's Law as hugely important to his career's success, citing especially the inspiration of former dean John



Blaine Favel, Law '90

Whyte, Law '68 ("a wonderful scholar and a great gentleman") and Professor Nick Bala, Law '77. "Winning the prize for his first-year Contracts course was a real affirmation."

- ANITA JANSMAN

#### New Dean's Council member and IP specialist in line for CBA presidency

Janet Fuhrer, Law'85, a partner with Ridout & Maybee LLP in Ottawa, has been elected Second Vice-President of the Canadian Bar Association (CBA), a role that will lead to her national presidency in 2015.

Fuhrer is a specialist certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada in IP law (trademarks and copyright). In this area of practice, she is a past president (2010-11) of the Intellectual Property Institute of Canada and has held leadership positions with the American Intellectual Property Law Association.

In her new CBA role, Fuhrer will be the liaison between the CBA Executive Officers and all standing committees, including the Legislation and Law Reform Committee, the Canadian Corporate Counsel Association and the CBA National Sections Council and Conferences.

"The 2nd VP role is an important step in the CBA," she says. "It's an introduction to the executive officer level, and I look forward to fulfilling it as best I can."

Fuhrer is proud of her Queen's Law connection and recently accepted appointment to the Dean's Council, a role to which she plans to bring her experience to assist in planning for the Faculty's future.

It was her student involvement with Queen's Legal Aid, she recalls, that introduced her to the practical aspects of



Janet Fuhrer, Law '85

administrative law, including appearing before tribunals — "a key facet of the intellectual property work I do today," she says.

— ANITA JANSMAN



#### 1965



Patrick Glenn, Law '65, a professor at McGill Law, is the author of The Cosmopolitan State (Oxford). Of particular interest to alumni in constitutional and international law, the book combines law, history, political science and

philosophy, international relations, and the new logics to demonstrate that the nation-state idea has failed and the state should be understood as cosmopolitan in character. www.oupcanada.com/catalog/9780199682423.html

#### 1971



Gordon Kaiser, Law '71, is now practising as an independent arbitrator at the Jams Resolution Center in Washington, DC, and Toronto. (See kaiserarbitration.com.) Gordon was formerly Vice-Chair of the Ontario Energy Board after several years as a partner with Gowlings.

Rob Pletch, Law '71, counsel with MacPherson Leslie & Tyerman LLP, Regina, SK, was appointed in June to chair the board of SaskPower Corp, headquartered in Regina. For the past five years Rob had been Board Chair at SaskEnergy Corp. He held the same role with the Saskatchewan Roughrider Football Club Inc. 2007-09 and retains his sports involvement as a Governor of the CFL.

#### 1972



Neil F. Sharpe, Law '72, LLM '91, had his fourth book published this fall: a workbook called *Pressure Proof*, describing competition-proven techniques to help people perform consistently well under pressure. Neil offers help to those whose slower-acting COMT genes make them more susceptible to nervousness, anxiety and self-doubt. Free excerpts are available via his blog: neilsharpe.net. His other books include *In Control: Making the Most of the* Genetic Test for Breast Cancer (Prentice

Hall), and, as contributing editor/author, *Genetic Testing: Care*, Consent and Liability (Wiley-Liss). In both 2012 and '13, Neil had some of his photography chosen from some 17,000 entries from 77 countries for an exhibition called The Art of Photography Show in the gallery of the San Diego Art Institute. His work can be seen at www.fredericksharpe.com.

#### LAW '74'S ALLGOOD 1ST CANADIAN TO CHAIR CORPORATE COUNSEL BAR'S GLOBAL BOARD



David Allgood, Law '74 (Arts '70), Executive VP and General Counsel for the Royal Bank of Canada and Past Chair of the Dean's Council at Queen's Law, was named Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) in October.

In a press release, ACC President and CEO Veta Richardson said: "We are fortunate to have David's vast knowledge and skills to lead ACC's board and reinforce our role as the leading advocate for the in-house bar. As the chief legal officer of one of the world's leading financial institutions, David brings a wealth of expertise from the corporate sector, including a strong commitment to diversity and pro bono initiatives within the legal profession."

Established in 1982, the ACC is a global bar association that promotes the common professional and business interests of in-house counsel through information, education, networking opportunities and advocacy initiatives.

David and his RBC General Counsel Group won the ACC's 2013 Diversity Award named for Matthew J. Whitehead II. It recognizes such Group programs as internships for foreigntrained lawyers, the "Day of Pink Challenge" against bullying, and inclusive hiring practices that are paying dividends: women comprising 71 percent and minorities 21 percent of its North American membership.

#### 1976



Mohamed Keshavjee, Law '76, after working in France for 30 years with an international development organization, retired from an executive position in 2010. Since then he has completed a book that's being recommended for LLM

students across the U.K.: Islam, the Sharia, Alternative Dispute Resolution: Mechanisms for Legal Redress in the Muslim Community. As one of the first studies dealing with Muslims in the

> Diaspora, the book is expected to interest lawyers in Canada and other Western countries that have significant Muslim minorities. Mohamed, who completed a PhD in Law and ADR at the School of Oriental and African Studies of London University in 2009, writes of ways the modern development of ADR can revitalise some of the essential (and, he argues, widely misunderstood) principles underlying Muslim jurisprudence and teaching, delivering formal remedies perceived as justice even by non-Muslims.

His book is featured at www.ibtauris.com.

#### 1977



H. Scott Fairley, Law '77 (Artsci '74), joined the litigation practice at Toronto's Weir-Foulds LLP in July. As a partner and advisory counsel in litigation in the U.S. and Canadian Federal Courts, he will continue his strategic advisory practice in transnational disputes. Scott has served as the Canadian Transportation Agency's sole arbitrator in complex com-

mercial disputes and is often consulted as "a lawyer's lawyer" for his past co-counsel and Supreme Court experiences.



Paul Trotter, Law '77, changed jobs in July, but not cities. A tax and estates lawyer in Calgary for more than 30 years, he's now practising with Miller Thomson as Associate Counsel.

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#### LAW '78 GRAD'S U.K. TEAM SALUTED BY AMERICAN LAWYER FOR HISTORIC UN WIN



**Robert Amsterdam, Law '78**, and his team at Amsterdam & Peroff LLP's London office received one of the international law community's most discussed new awards: *The American Lawyer* magazine's salute for winning the "2013 Global Pro Bono Dispute of the Year."

Robert is cited for his pro-bono team's "historic" victory in the case of *Dr. Georges Tadonki vs. the United Nations Secretary General,* involving Dr. Tadonki's wrongful dismissal as a whistle-blower in a UN cover-up involving a cholera epidemic in Zimbabwe. Terming the achieved result "remarkable," *The Atlantic* magazine called the ruling by the UN Dispute Tribunal in Nairobi, Kenya, a "damning survey of misplaced priorities and institutional rot" within a UN bureaucracy.

For the Global Legal Awards, judges

examined the international law work and political advocacy of more than 300 law firms from across North America, the United Kingdom, Africa, and beyond.

Robert's 33 years in legal and political advocacy (see http://robertamsterdam.com) had already involved him in high-profile cases from Africa to Asia to Latin America. Notably, he has represented an Amnesty International-recognized Prisoner of Conscience in Russia (2003-10) and a Venezuelan businessman who was released despite highly politicized charges pushed by then-President Hugo Chávez (2009). Amsterdam clients today include former Thailand PM Thaksin Shinawatra, still seeking justice for 90+massacred pro-democracy protesters; former Zambian President Rupiah Banda; and Internet entrepreneur Kim Dotcom.

#### 1983



Richard Emmerson, Law '83 (Artsci '80), VP of the Indonesia Canada Chamber of Commerce, has been an advisor to Soewito Suhardiman Eddymurthy Kardono (SSEK) in Jakarta since 1996. The firm SSEK, where fellow Queen's

grad **Douglas Gordon Smith, Law '81**, is also an advisor, has been named Chambers Asia Law Firm of the Year 2013, adding to its other distinctions. Richard, a long-time champion of pro bono work, now has two charities to his credit: Yayasan Emmanuel (1998), providing scholarships and social worker support to street kids and other youth living in extreme poverty; and Yayasan Hidung Merah ("Red Nose Foundation"), providing scholarships and informal education (such as after-school tutoring), plus a street theatre troupe that gives disadvantaged children a sense of belonging.

#### 1985

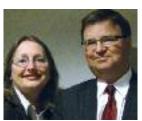
Mary-Jo Maur, Law'85, LLM'93, has collaborated with co-author and friend Professor Ben Hovius of Western on a new edition of a family law textbook that's already in wide use across Canada. The 8th edition of *Hovius on Family Law: Cases, Notes and Materials* was published by Carswell in August. Read more about the new edition by accessing carswell.com and following the links to family law cases.



Michael Whitcombe, Law'85, a senior partner at McMillan LLP, was elected this spring to the board of the Community Foundation in Oakville, ON. These increasingly popular foundations pool charitable donations from area residents in an endowment fund and use

the investment income to make community-building grants. "They also provide leadership," Michael says, "by monitoring quality of life and convening people, ideas, and resources to help build stronger and more resilient communities." The board he serves currently oversees more than \$60 million in endowed and other philanthropic funds. Oakville is home to Michael, his wife Dianne Lemieux (LLB Ottawa), and children Matthew (studying at St. FXU) and Michele (a senior at St. Mildred's-Lightbourne School).

#### 1988



Novalea Jarvis and Ken Kelertas, both Law'88, report they've been married for 22 years and have four children ranging in age from 15 to 20. Novalea has a successful family law practice in Oakville, ON, while Ken is Director of Legal Services for the Halton Regional

Police Service. Last May, Ken was appointed a Deputy Judge of the Small Claims Court, Central West Region.



Wayne D. Garnons-Williams, Law'90, who was appointed Chair of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations Appeal Tribunal last December, started his own law firm, Garwill Law Professional Corporation, in June. From Ottawa, Wayne is providing litigation,

advocacy and ADR services for federal courts, boards, commissions and tribunals, as well as consulting on the development and design of justice systems (see www. garwilllaw.com). In the 20 years he spent previously with Canada's Justice Department, he practised in Courts Administration Services, the Federal Court, and latterly as Deputy Head of the new Specific Claims Tribunal. Wayne would enjoy catching up with Queen's friends at 613-778-8685, e-mail wayne@garwilllaw.com, Twitter (@garwilW), LinkedIn or FaceBook.

#### 1991



Hubert Lai, QC, Law '91 (Artsci' 90), who was appointed Queen's Counsel last December, and his wife Laura (Wright), Law '93 (Com '90), invite classmates visiting Vancouver or Whistler to contact them through hubert.lai@ubc.ca. They always enjoy showing old friends around their "home hill." Hubert has been with UBC as that university's chief legal officer since 2001 and on its Executive Committee since 2007. He holds board positions with entrepreneurship@UBC Management Inc., entrepreneurship@UBC Ventures (VCC) Inc., UBC Research Enterprises Inc., and the CEP Commerce Executive Programs Society, and has previously been active in four other enterprises: the LIST Foundation, Webnames.ca Inc., Paragon Testing Enterprises and the Cedar Lodge Society. He also served as a member of the B.C. Advisory Council convened by the federal Secretary of State for Western Economic Diversification and as the President of the Vancouver Branch, Queen's Alumni. Laura is practising law with Alexander, Holburn, Beaudin + Lang LLP. Their two children are Kevin, 11, and Deirdre, 10, budding Whistler ski racers. Both have taken up Tae Kwan-do, says Hubert, "very excited by the prospect of beating one another up [just kidding!]." All four spend weekends skiing and mountain biking at Whistler.

#### 1994



Elizabeth Denman, Law '94, became a partner in the international offshore law firm Conyers Dill & Pearman in April. She is based in Bermuda.



Claire Kennedy, Law '94, was appointed to the Bank of Canada's board of directors in December 2012. In addition to her tax and transfer pricing practice at Bennett Jones in Toronto and raising daughters Gretchen and Harriet, now 10 and 7, Claire is enjoying the Advanced Management Program and the University of

Chicago's Booth School of Business. She also enjoys the occasional round of golf, despite "struggling mightily" with her swing. kennedyc@bennettjones.com.

#### 1995



John Curtis, Law '95 (Artsci '90), a lawyermediator in Kingston, co-founder of Queen's Sailing Team, President of Wind Athletes Canada and a former Olympic sailor for Team Canada (2004), is featured in two action-packed films that premiered this fall on CBC's documentary channel: "Sailing Around the World: The California Campaign" ("fantastic images of high-tech racing machines!"

he writes) and "Sailing Around the World: The Transpac." Both are available now on iTunes and Amazon, along with two additional films John was involved in producing: "Racing Around the World Alone" — about the Vendee Globe race called the "Everest of the sea" - and "The O CANADA Project" about re-commissioning sailor Derek Hatfield's Spirit of Canada. See www.sailingaround theworld.tv for trailers, synopses, etc.

#### 1996



Margot Engley, Law '96, is happy to announce the arrival of her son Aaron in December 2012. Margot has been a prosecutor for Alberta Justice in Calgary since 2008, and prior to that worked in the Northwest Territories as a criminal defence lawyer for eight years and spent two years in China working on projects that promoted the rule of law and improved advocacy in the

defence bar. She would be happy to hear from classmates at engleym@yahoo.ca.

#### 1993

Laura (Wright) Lai, Law '93: see 1991

#### 1998

Obijiofor Aginam, LLM '98, went to UBC Law for his PhD and then taught at Carleton University, Ottawa (2001-07), before he joined the United Nations University headquarters in Tokyo, Japan. He recently published a co-edited book called *The Global Governance of HIV/AIDS: Intellectual Property and Access to Essential Medicines* (Cheltenham, UK: Edward

Elgar, 2013). Called timely and up-to-date, the book puts leading activists together with scholars from multiple disciplines — IP, human rights, international relations, public health, development studies, et al. — to critique global health governance regimes and, in the end, offers policymakers concrete strategies on how to

improve access to HIV/AIDS medicines, especially for developing countries. Read more about the book at www.e-elgar.com/bookentry\_main.lasso?id=14170.

#### 1999



**Suzanne LaSha, Law '99** (Artsci '95), and her husband, Don Best (AppSci '96), now live in Sarnia, ON, where she works as an Assistant Crown Attorney and he practises chemical engineering. They welcomed Liam Christopher John in October 2009 and Alexander Flynn in May 2012 – "exhausting but

lots of fun!" suzannelasha@hotmail.com

#### 2000



Mark Borer, Law 'oo, began a full-time appointment at the Appeal Division of the federal Social Security Tribunal in April. Last year he received a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his significant contributions to country and community, but that wasn't his first per-

sonal association with Her Majesty. During 2010's Royal Visit to Canada, Mark (above) was introduced to the Queen and Prince Philip at a state dinner in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, hosted by Prime Minister Stephen Harper (2nd left).



#### 2002

**Owen Rees, Law '02**, began a three-year appointment in September 2012 as Executive Legal Officer to the Supreme Court of Canada. He serves as principal advisor to the Rt. Hon. Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of Canada, and is responsible for media relations at the Court. He is on leave from his partnership at Stockwoods.

#### 2003



**Sarah Atkinson, Law '03** (Artsci '00), married Karl Schumacher on July 6, 2013. Surrounded by Queen's alumni friends, they were married at Oakview Terrace in Richmond Hill, ON.

#### 2004



Manjot Hallen, Law '04, and Paul Warnett opened their Vancouver firm Warnett Hallen LLP in February. Their practice focuses on representing persons injured in motor vehicle and slip-and-fall accidents.

#### 2005



**Warren Mucci, Law'05**, and his wife, Crista McInnis, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Lauren Noelle Mucci, on March 1, 2012, in Ottawa.

#### 2006

**Michael Clarry, Law'06** (AppSci'86), and his wife, Michelle Bain, welcomed their baby boy, Maxwell James Bain Clarry, into the world on Feb. 20. All are doing well. Michael is still in the Reserves, now a Lieutenant Colonel commanding 32 Combat Engineer Regiment. By day he provides legal support at Cérvelo Cycles Inc.

**Dawn Quelch, Law '06**, is currently practising criminal and correctional law at Ecclestone & Ecclestone LLP in Kingston. She lives in the city with her husband Colin and their daughter Cordelia, 5. They are expecting their second child in January 2014.

#### 2007



Gwen May, Law '07, and Paul Holubitsky, Law '08, were married on Aug. 25, 2012, in Kingston, ON. They've since gone north to practise in Fort McMurray, AB, at the firm Flett Manning Moore.

#### 2008

Paul Holubitsky, Law'08: see 2007



James McDonald, Law'08, received public congratulations from his colleagues at Cunningham Swan when he was awarded a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal. Among his contributions to Canada and the community, they cited James' service as a member of Kingston's Naval Reserve division, HMCS Cataraqui, and the Rotary Club of Cataraqui-Kingston and as a Trustee

of the Marine Museum of the Great Lakes at Kingston.

#### 2009



Mathew Good, Law '09, is practising complex commercial litigation and class actions with Hordo Bennett Mounteer LLP in Vancouver. Last year, he developed a new course on statutory interpretation for the Faculty of Law at the University of Victoria and co-taught it with Justice Harvey Groberman of the BC Court of Appeal. The course was offered again this fall at the Allard Hall Faculty of Law at

UBC. Mat can be reached at mg@hbmlaw.com.

#### 2010



Natalia Rodriguez, Law '10, was seconded in October 2012 from Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, Toronto, to act as Counsel to Commissioner Paul Bélanger for the Elliot Lake Commission of Inquiry. The Commission was established by the Ontario Government to inquire into that summer's collapse of Elliot Lake's Algo Centre Mall, the deaths of Lucie Aylwin and Doloris Perizzolo, injuries

to other individuals, and emergency management and response. Natalia lived in Elliot Lake throughout the public hearings, which concluded October 2013 with the testimony of former Premier Dalton McGuinty.



Law'10 (Artsci '06, MA'07), celebrated their wedding on Bigwin Island, Lake of Bays, ON, on Sept. 22, 2012. Classmates Keyvan Monsef, Julia Lefebvre, Kate Kahn and Fahreen Kurji were members of the wedding party. Readings were given during the ceremony by classmates Brad Allgood and Heidi Gordon. Pam and Pat proudly welcomed their son Theodore Michael Sidey "Teddy" Welsh on May 28, 2013. QLR

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#### **Judicial Appointments**



**Peter B. Annis, Law '71** (Arts '68), who was named an Ontario Superior Court Justice in 2010, was appointed to the Federal Court on February 8. He practised civil litigation with the Federal Justice Department and thereafter Scott & Aylen (now Borden Ladner Gervais LLP) in Ottawa, adding administrative,

labour and employment law. Most recently he had been roster mediator and arbitrator. Justice Annis has written a book on the bilingual administration of justice in Ontario and a Government of Canada study of Work Stoppages. His notable voluntary commitments have been to *l'Association des juristes d'expression française de l'Ontario* (President 2000-02), and the Carleton County Law Association (Trustee 2005-08).



**Thomas W. Wakeling, Law '74**, was appointed to the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta on February 8. Since 1983, he had been a partner with Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP in Edmonton, practising constitutional law, labour law and arbitration. Previously, he was a law faculty member at U of Saskatchewan. He

chaired Alberta's Public Service Employee Relations Board 1989-93 and has been chartered by the Arbitrator's Institute of Canada since 1988.



Mary E. Vallee, Law '85, was appointed to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice in Newmarket on February 8. Prior to her appointment, she was a partner at HGR Graham Partners LLP in Barrie, building a reputation in commercial, construction and estate litigation. She is a past president of the Kempenfelt Rotary

Club, a supporter of Big Sisters, and mother of Queen's civil engineering grad Emily Haggarty, AppSci '12.



**Wendy M. Matheson, Law '86**, was appointed a Judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice in Toronto on June 7. Previously, she practised civil litigation as a partner at Torys LLP and had a second award-winning 'career' in legal education, not only for The Advocates' Society (see pg. 40), but also the LSUC,

CBA and OBA. She was elected an LSUC Bencher in 2011.



**Robin A.M. Baird, Law '89**, a Judge of the Provincial Court of British Columbia in Surrey, was appointed last October to BC's Supreme Court in Nanaimo. In his previous career, he was a practitioner in criminal law and civil litigation, a probono lawyer to the Salvation Army, and

a Crown prosecutor with the Criminal Justice Branch, Ministry of Justice, in Vancouver and Victoria. He also was active in the Canadian Human Rights Commission and the CBA's Provincial Council.



James Sutherland, Law '89, a partner at Sutherland Jette Barristers in Vancouver, was sworn in as a Judge of the Provincial Court of British Columbia in January. His 21 years of experience as a practitioner and a Crown prosecutor has been exclusively in criminal law. He is a former PLTC lecturer with the BC

Law Society and an award-winning adjunct professor at UBC Law. Chief among his community involvements is the leadership council for Special Olympics BC.



**Anne Krahn, Law '90**, was appointed a judge for Manitoba's Provincial Court in June. Her background is strong in public service as a former provincial and federal Crown attorney, once assigned to Thompson and 15 far-north communities. She has been a criminal law advisor to governments and police

and, as a Minister of Family Services' appointee, has also advised on Long-term Service Delivery at the Manitoba Developmental Centre.

#### **Dean's Council Members 2013**

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