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J. Houston Gordon Appointed To UT Board of Trustees

Let’s just say orange is not exactly an unfamiliar hue to Houston Gordon’s family.

His grandmother, father, two brothers, a sister, and wife, not to mention several cousins, all graduated from The University of Tennessee or an affiliated institution. He earned two degrees here, himself.

He has also been active in Democratic politics for many years. So it was only natural that he would answer in the affirmative to the recent call to serve on UT’s Board of Trustees.

J. Houston Gordon (what the “J” represents is classified information) started his undergraduate studies at UT-Knoxville, but he was the last person cut from “the worst freshman basketball team in the history of the University,” as he recalls. Undaunted, the young basketball enthusiast from West Tennessee transferred to UT-Martin, where he earned enough bruises to remember the experience vividly.

Inspired by an uncle in the profession and encouraged by friends who shared his interest in the law, he was one of the last to attend law school under the “three-three” program. He graduated in 1970, just before the expansion of the law building began.

He has many fond memories of law school. When a friend suggested he try out for the National Moot Court Team, he had to ask what “moot” meant. It did not take him long to find out, because he won a place on the team along with some special tutelage in “mooting.” Professor Joseph Cook and his wife

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Lyle Reid Wins Outstanding Public Service Award

Carole Yard Lynch, chair of the Alumni Advisory Council, announced this year’s choice for the Outstanding Public Service Award: Lyle Reid, Class of '56.

Justice Reid attended the public schools of Haywood County. He served in the United States Air Force during the Korean War and earned his undergraduate degree in Business at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. He distinguished himself academically as a law student, participating on the Law Review as well as the National Moot Court Team before graduating third in his class in 1956.

The list of services rendered to the public by this alumnus is long: Law Clerk in Chancery Court, Assistant State Attorney General, General Sessions Court Judge, member of the 1965 Constitutional Convention, and member of the Tennessee House of Representatives. He practiced law in his hometown of Brownsville for 23 years, and served as County Attorney for Haywood County for 22 years. He served as a hearing officer on the Board of Professional Responsibility, and as a member of three Supreme Court Commissions: Continuing Legal Education, Rules of Criminal Procedure, and the Appellate Court Nominating Commission. For the Tennessee Bar Association, he has chaired the House of Delegates, served on the Board of Governors, and received an award of merit for his work on the state constitution. He has also been a lecturer at various continuing legal education seminars.

In his community, he was President of the Haywood County Bar Association, Brownsville Jaycee Man of the Year, and Scout Master. He served as the officer of numerous civic and religious organizations and agencies, including ten years on the Board of Directors of the Methodist Hospitals of Memphis.

In 1986, Gov. McWherter appointed Reid to the post of Deputy Commissioner of Commerce and Insurance. A year later, he was appointed to the Court of Criminal Appeals. This year, he agreed to assume the enormous responsibility of Chief Justice of the Tennessee Supreme Court.

Despite the fact that he and his fellow candidates to the court were running unopposed in this past election, they made a special effort to visit every county in the state to find out what the court could do to improve the delivery of justice in Tennessee. That desire to get close to the people has not gone unnoticed.

Carole Lynch chaired the selection committee for this year’s award. Other members of the committee were Bernie Bernstein of Knoxville, Payson Matthews of Somerville, Al Separk of Marietta, and Tom Fox of Arrington (last year’s recipient).
During the swearing-in ceremony for the new Tennessee Supreme Court, Justice Reid set the tone for the new bench. He is quoted as having said, "The challenge of the court of the 1990s is to affect the mandate of the Tennessee Constitution, which says that all citizens shall have 'right and justice' in the courts without 'sale, denial, or delay'.... Right and justice without sale, denial, or delay demands a judicial system which is independent, administered by judges who are hard-working, disciplined, conscientious, and at least a bit courageous."

The purpose of this award is to honor alumni for longterm but often unrecognized contributions to their communities, to the public, and to the legal profession. Previous recipients of the award are:

Hon. Howard H. Baker, Jr.
Harry W. Laughlin
Hon. L. Clure Morton
Hon. Frank W. Wilson
Lindsay Young
Marion S. Boyd
John K. Morgan
John M. Smartt
Hon. William H.D. Fones
Thomas E. Fox
Building A New Law School

Last year as the College observed its 100th birthday, the theme centered around our history. We held old-fashioned lawn parties, compiled a history of the College, invited especially distinguished guests and generally celebrated our past and looked forward to our future. At one point, we had to ask ourselves when the party should end, if ever.

As we began preparing for the present academic year, I discovered that the past still looms large in our plans for this next century. Our principal focus in planning for our future has turned to the provision of a facility for legal education that will serve us for the next hundred years. (Or at least 25 of them?)

The University announced in September that the site chosen for the new law school building is the current site of the GCT Law Center. There had been considerable discussion of alternative locations, such as Morgan Hill on Neyland Drive or downtown, but the selection of the current site has the advantage of a prime location in the heart of the campus and its proximity to the downtown area. We would like for our students to look upon this education as an enterprise that primarily occupies their attention for three short years so that they may be prepared to practice their profession for a lifetime. A campus setting is ideally suited to that vision.

Current plans include an 80,000 square foot addition to the original 1950 structure and substantial renovation of the latter. The 1970 annex would then become a separate facility for the College of Liberal Arts. Our challenge is to design an external environment that complements our pedagogical objectives.

On February 13, 1890, nine students met with the first Dean, Thomas Freeman in a law office in downtown Knoxville. Within seven months, the department’s operations moved to North College on the hill, later known as Humes Hall.

Over the years, legal education took place in various buildings on campus, including Ayres Hall. With between 40 and 60 students, as well as the preeminence of the lecture method, all that was needed was a classroom to seat the group, a lectern, a place to conduct the mock arguments, and offices for the faculty members.

The law library’s holdings had increased to 4,500 volumes by 1920, but the library still consisted of only two full-time and four part-time instructors. At just about the same time, the first issue of the Tennessee Law Review was published and soon after, in its quest for adequate facilities, the law school moved again, this time back to what we would probably today call downtown: West Main Street near Henley in the newly-remodeled Tennessee Hall.

In the late 1940s, law college space was so limited that administrators had to rent a top floor room from a local church in order to handle the influx of returning veterans and other new students. The strain was felt in every facet of the program. The reading room in the library seated only 50 students and enrollment was at 123 and rising. In 1950, faculty and students moved into the new building on Cumberland Avenue, designed and built for law school purposes. By the time this method was supplanted by the use of the problem method, the seminar method, the tutorial method, instruction, and lecture.

In 1970, an addition was made to the 1950 structure in lieu of a new building, merely delaying the inevitable. During this last quarter century, faculty size has grown to approximately 30 full-time members with a staff (including the law library staff) of close to 40. With adjunct faculty, the normal payroll, for the law school approaches 96 individuals. Student enrollment is between 460 and 500 at any time. In other words, there are between 550 and 600 people regularly in the law school on a daily basis and another 50-100 casual users of the library and other facilities. In order to serve our primary constituency, our students, faculty, and staff, and the public, it is essential that we have a facility that allows for continued growth and development of the program and service to the public.

With regard to our student population, besides the 15 hours of actual classes and the additional 30-45 hours of study each week, we want them to engage their colleagues and professors in conversations outside of class not just about the law, but about the tradition and culture. We want them to take advantage of opportunities for practice in a clinical setting, for research and writing in law review or moot court activities, and for the talented few, as valued research assistants for faculty scholars. We want the Socratic debate conducted in hallways and lounges and study rooms as well as in the classroom. To do this means that they need, not just space, but space conducive to that kind of informal learning.

To make a long story short, over the years, as the College grew and as legal education changed, the facilities requirements for the College changed.

We distinguish ourselves from other law schools we compete with, not just by our low tuition, but by the quality and distinctiveness of our teaching program. Our present facilities limit our teaching effectiveness. To cite only one example, in the last two decades, law teaching has moved from extensive use of the large class Socratic method to smaller group, skills-oriented classes. Because of the composition of our student body, we continue to believe we must train many of our graduates to hit the ground running, ready to interview clients and try cases in their first few months out of law school. We necessarily teach those and other practice-oriented skills through simulation and through the clinic. We have one seminar room.

Much of the public attention to the building has come about as a result of recent publicity about our ABA site evaluation in September. In preparation for its 1983 accreditation review, the UT law faculty prepared a self-study identifying several of the school’s strengths and weaknesses.

A site evaluation report, prepared by the ABA-appointed committee that visited the College, echoed the concerns mentioned in the self-study. Foremost among these concerns were inadequate physical facilities, low faculty salaries and support, the level of overall funding, and library staffing. Many of the concerns have been alleviated by improved state funding allocations through the Better Schools Program for salaries, equipment, library acquisitions, and operating expenses.

A new law school facility remains high on everyone’s list of needed capital funding projects for the University. The Tennessee Higher Education Commission recommended that $400,000 in planning money for a new law school facility be appropriated in the 1990-91 fiscal year.

Although the planning money was not appropriated in the legislative session just ended, the new facility remains a top priority of the College, the University, the Board of Trustees, and THEC. Senator Owen and Representative Armstrong have indicated an intention to file a bill that will provide that planning money this year. A committee composed of University and College representatives has already prepared an extensive set of space definitions for the new facility and is currently refining the detailed building plan.

I welcome your input as we continue our quest for a new facility.

Marilyn Yarbrough
Norma helped rid Houston of his "Mississippi Mud" accent. "Muh namis" evolved into "my name is," and the team performed well enough to make the nationals. He is grateful for the personal interest shown by one particular faculty member, Col. MacDonald "Mac" Gray. His gratitude was not diminished by the loss of a 4.0 average in one of Col. Gray's classes because this young idealist chose to skip class in order to protest Nixon's bombing of Hanoi. With the military draft still lurking over Houston's shoulder, he joined the Reserve Officers Training Program, and Col. Gray suggested he apply for a position in the Army's Defense Appellate Division.

The Army gave Houston Gordon a place or two in the history books. In his very first case before the Court of Military Appeals (the military equivalent of the Supreme Court), he boldly told the court that the military's handling of defendants' right to a speedy trial was haphazard. The court accepted his proposal for a 90-day rule, a rule which has since been adopted in the federal court system as well.

A short time thereafter, Houston found himself in the national limelight. He was appointed to represent Lieutenant William L. Calley, Jr., on charges stemming from the My Lai massacre. Over a five-year period, Houston represented Calley in the military courts as well as in civil habeas corpus proceedings. (Calley served 33 months.)

While in Washington, D.C. with the Army Judiciary, Houston earned his advanced law degree, the master of laws, from George Washington University. When he left the service in 1971, he interviewed with a few D.C. firms, but he was tired of the notoriety surrounding the Calley case and wanted time to reflect on his career.

He decided that the quiet of his hometown would give him a chance to think, so he literally hung out his own shingle in Covington, a small town outside of Memphis. He "didn't have enough sense to be scared" about opening his own office, since he considered it a temporary move anyway. Sixteen years later, there's nothing temporary about the successful firm of Gordon & Forrester, with offices in Covington and Millington. Among other achievements, he has been named three times to Naifeh & Smith's Best Lawyers in America in civil practice. He also served as an assistant district attorney general for the Tipton County and as county attorney for Tipton County. He has lectured on numerous occasions for The University of Tennessee as well as for a variety of other colleges and bar associations.

Houston's civil litigation practice covers everything from medical negligence to lender liability, with a few personal injury cases now and then. His JAG experience helps with the two or three court martials he handles each year, such as the one in Panama just before Noriega's downfall and capture. Over the years, Houston also found time to write or to collaborate on a few articles, most recently "The Admissibility of Law and Expert Opinions" in the Tennessee Law Review.

During 1989-90, Houston served as president of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association. TTLA is one group that "speaks for all who do not have an organized voice -- the poor, the injured, the handicapped, those who are discriminated against," according to this long-time board member. He believes the organization has had a significant impact on maintaining the people's right to redress and in preserving the right to a jury. Theorizing that if people understand the system, they will help to preserve it, TTLA established "The People's Law School" in several cities across the state. In Knoxville, for example, the series of educational sessions is presented through the UT Department of Non-Credit Programs.

With a trace of that Mississippi Mud in his voice, he says "I'm just a country lawyer." The "country" part must be the lifestyle. He holds farming interests in both Tipton and Meigs County. The drive from home to work is 3.3 miles, and home is where he raises Peruvian Paso horses. His family has been raising these horses since the '60s, and Houston definitively ascribes to them "the smoothest gait in the world -- and it's all natural."

His wife, Debbie, was the first female president of her graduating class in the UT Pharmacy College. Three sons round out the Gordon clan: Nathan, 12, Baker, 11, and Blake, who just turned 9.

He has served on UT College of Law's Alumni Advisory Council, the Board of Governors of the UT National Alumni Association, and the Development Council of UT-Martin, so this new trustee has some idea of the challenges facing the University. When asked if he has an agenda for his service on the UT Board, Houston didn't hesitate: "To assist in every way I can to make the University of Tennessee a great University!"
Jack “Buckney Duane” Jones?
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An alumnus wrote in our Centennial visitors’ book that one of his favorite memories of law school was Jack Jones’ “selective hearing loss.”

Jack Jones retired during the previous academic year after 25 years on the faculty. If you were a student in one of Jack Jones’ property law classes, you would probably say at least two things about it: it was never dull, and you did learn property law.

He has done much in his life, including wartime military service, law practice, business, a very successful corporate career, fulfillment of family obligations as husband, father, and grandfather, but he always wanted to teach.

He would have accepted an offer of a teaching position following graduation from law school, but $3,000 just would not suffice for a growing family in 1949. Fifteen years later, he turned down a corporate job offer, with six times the size of his law teaching salary, because he always wanted to teach.

Of western origin

Raised in “the wild west,” the only child of Elmer and Mary Jones, Jack Duane Jones thinks his middle name is derived from Zane Grey’s Lone Star Ranger hero, Buckney Duane. His mother had just finished reading the book when Jack was born, and she had vetoed his father’s preference for the name “Buck”.

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After 13 Years of Service to Students, Kate Dossett Retires

As of September, 1990, the law student who needs answers, advice, a comforting word or two, or just a friendly face will not find "Ms. Dossett" in the Student Records Office, ready to fulfill that need. After 13 years in the service of students at The University of Tennessee College of Law, Kate Dossett has retired.

Not surprisingly, she says the one thing she'll miss most is the opportunity to help those students. As evidenced by the avalanche of flowers, balloons, and other gifts Kate has received since the word of her retirement reached former students, she will be sorely missed.

Originally from Vicksburg, Mississippi, Kate's family moved to Tennessee (Chattanooga first, then Knoxville) during World War II when Kate was still in high school. She majored in business at The University of Tennessee, but after two years of study she left for a job as a service representative with the telephone company. Kate then married and moved to Virginia in 1950, but they returned to Knoxville four years later.

Raising three daughters (Judy, Betsy, and Mary) must have helped prepare Kate for the anxiety law students inevitably experience. She also has one granddaughter, Katie (Mary named her after Kate), and one grandson, Sam (via Judy).

In 1977, Kate Dossett accepted a position in the Placement and Continuing Legal Education Office under Eleanor Nelson. After just nine months, she moved up a floor to the Records Office to become the heir apparent to Geri Wayland, senior recorder and widely-acknowledged friend to many a law student. When Geri retired in 1978, Kate assumed the formidable task of replacing Geri in the most visible and important position in the daily lives of our students.

In those days, the records were kept by hand, so the introduction of computers, among other new developments, has changed the flavor of the job somewhat. One of the best changes over the years was the move across the hall to an office with windows. The changes have had little noticeable affect on the time available to do the work. There's not enough space, there's not enough personnel to do it all (nor space if there were personnel), and the confidential nature of their work limits the options available to other offices, such as "farming out" the paperwork.

The job description doesn't fit the job anymore, but Kate learned to "go with the flow" some time ago. It is, and will always be, a challenging job.

Kate enjoyed dealing with the students more than any other aspect of the job.

Law College Calendar:

- November 22-23: Thanksgiving Break
- November 30: Classes End
- December 4-14: Examination Period
- December 15: Commencement
- December 24-28: Administrative Closing
- January 3-6: Association of American Law Schools Annual Meeting (Washington, D.C.)
- January 9: Good Friday (No Classes)
- January 16: Spring Term Classes Begin
- January 21: On-Campus Interviewing Begins
- January 28: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- February 23: Mid-South Law Placement Consortium - (Nashville)
- March 18-22: Spring Break
- March 29: Good Friday (No Classes)
- April 8-12: Law Week Celebration
- April 26: Classes End
- April 30 - May 5: Exam Week
- May 9: Hooding Ceremony
- May 10: Commencement
Meet Our Newest Faculty Members --

Peter W. Morgan

Associate Professor of Law

Professor Morgan comes to us with considerable experience as a practitioner, especially before federal courts, congressional committees, and federal agencies. After earning his masters and law degrees from the University of Virginia, he joined the firm of Dickstein, Shapiro & Morin in Washington, D.C. He was co-counsel for former National Security Advisor Robert McFarlane during the Iran-Contra investigations, as well as for former Attorney General Edwin Meese. He teaches Professional Responsibility, Securities Regulation, Government Ethics, and Criminal Law.

Carol A. Mutter

Associate Professor of Law

On "visiting" status at UT since 1982, Professor Mutter has been appointed Associate Professor of Law. She earned her B.A. at The University of Tennessee and her J.D. at Georgetown. A former law clerk for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, Professor Mutter was associated with Hogan & Hartson in D.C. and with Hull, Towill, Norman & Barrett in Augusta, GA before coming to UT. She is the organizer and chair-elect of the new Insurance Law Section of the AALS. She teaches Torts, Contracts, Civil Procedure, and Insurance Law.

Glenn H. Reynolds

Associate Professor of Law

A 1982 graduate of The University of Tennessee, Professor Reynolds earned his J.D. at Yale University in 1985. He served as law clerk to the Honorable Gilbert S. Merritt on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit before joining the Washington D.C. office of Dewey, Ballantine, Bushby, Palmer & Wood. He is the co-author of a book on space law (published in 1989). He has also written or co-authored several law review articles. He teaches Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, International Business Transactions, and Law and Technology.

Barbara Stark

Associate Professor of Law

After graduating with a law degree from New York University, Professor Stark devoted four years in private practice in legal services programs and six years to private practice before returning to school to earn an LL.M. from Columbia. She comes to us from the law faculty at Rutgers University. Professor Stark has written widely on women's issues, civil rights, and international law. She teaches Legal Process, Public International Law, and the International Law Seminar.

Gregory M. Stein

Associate Professor of Law

Professor Stein received his undergraduate degree at Harvard and his law degree from Columbia, where he was a senior editor of the Law Review. For the past three years he has been with the firm of Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York City, working primarily in the areas of acquisition and disposition of real property and the financing of land transactions. Professor Stein has also represented tenants pro bono in housing court and administrative proceedings. He teaches Land Finance, Property, and Land Acquisition & Development.

James E. Thompson

Associate Professor of Law

Professor Thompson graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy and earned his law degree at the University of Florida. He served as law clerk to Chief Judge Paul Roney on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit before becoming an assistant attorney general for Colorado. He later practiced in the Denver firms of Kutak, Rock & Campbell and Saunders, Snyder, Ross & Dickson before establishing his own firm under the name of Watrous, Ehlers & Thompson. He teaches Civil Procedure, Natural Resource and Water Law, and Property.

Visiting Faculty: One New Face, One Familiar Face

Marsha C. Huie

Visiting Professor of Law

Professor Huie is here on leave from St. Mary's University School of Law, where she teaches courses primarily in contracts and commercial law. She holds two degrees from the University of Tennessee, a J.D. from Memphis State, and an LL.M. from Cambridge University in England. Before entering teaching, Professor Huie clerked on the Tennessee Court of Appeals and practiced privately for three years in Memphis. She is teaching Commercial Law and Contracts this fall.

Kenneth L. Penegar

Visiting Professor of Law

Our former Dean, Ken Penegar, is teaching at UT this fall. He earned his J.D. degree at the University of North Carolina and his LL.M. at Yale. After a year as law clerk on the D.C. Circuit, he returned to North Carolina to join the law faculty. In 1971, he accepted the invitation of the University of Tennessee to come to the law school as Professor of Law and Dean -- a post in which he served with distinction for 15 years, before leaving to become Dean at Southern Methodist University. He is on leave here for the fall from the faculty at SMU, teaching Criminal Law and Jurisprudence.
Dean Wicker Dies

William Henry Wicker of Knoxville, who served as Dean of the College of Law from 1944 to 1963, died last December at the age of 92.

Wicker began teaching at UT in 1925, having graduated from both Yale and Harvard law schools, earning the LL.B. and the LL.D. degrees respectively. He served in the Marine Corps during World War I. Before joining the UT faculty, he taught at the Universities of North Carolina and South Carolina, Drake University, and Gonzaga University. While in South Carolina, he compiled and indexed the state's entire legal code. The State of South Carolina later honored him as a Distinguished Son.

He was instrumental in establishing the honorary Order of the Coif at UT, and it was during his tenure as Dean that the UT Legal Clinic was established. Dean Wicker was also a prolific writer -- he published over 70 articles in law reviews and other professional magazines. One of the first pine tree farmers in South Carolina, he was an avid amateur botanist who reportedly took great pride and joy in his Iris and wild flowers.

He also served as a federal law commissioner, as a Tennessee Commissioner of Uniform State Laws, and as a federal jury commissioner.

Yarbrough Elected to the Pulitzer Prize Board

Dean Marilyn Yarbrough has been elected to the Pulitzer Prize Board, which is composed of 19 professionals from around the nation.

She also won the YWCA's Tribute to Women Award for her leadership in the field of education.

The award, in the form of a stylized statue of a triumphant woman, was presented by Wilma Rudolph, three-time Olympic Gold Medalist.

On Leave...

Dean Hill Rivkin, Professor of Law at UT since 1976 and director of the Legal Clinic, has been named the Carden Visiting Professor of Law at the University of Maryland for 1990-91.

John A. Sebert has been granted a leave of absence to be the Deputy Director of the Association of American Law Schools in Washington, D.C. The appointment is generally for a two-year period; such an appointment is a tribute to Professor Sebert's stature in the field of legal education.

Julie Hardin, Associate Dean for External Affairs, is taking a year's leave of absence to be the Executive Director of the Center for Research and Development in Law-Related Education at Wake Forest University School of Law.

Neil Cohen Receives Public Service Award

Law Professor Neil Cohen received the National Alumni Association's Public Service Award this year.

As a member of the Tennessee Sentencing Commission, Cohen drafted a number of proposed laws that contributed to the revision of the state of Tennessee's new criminal code. As a consultant to the state Supreme Court's advisory commission on civil procedure, he helped draft the first rules of evidence for Tennessee.

In addition, Cohen has addressed community groups on a wide variety of issues and has represented indigent defendants. A member of the UT faculty since 1972, he earned the J.D. degree at Vanderbilt, the Master of Laws degree at Harvard, and the Diploma in Criminology at Cambridge University.

Tom Eisele Receives Outstanding Teacher Award

Thomas D. Eisele, Associate Professor of Law, was one of only four UT faculty members singled out for recognition of their teaching by the National Alumni Association this year. He won the NAA's Outstanding Teacher Award.

Eisele, who won the College's own Harold C. Warner Outstanding Teacher Award in 1988, teaches Jurisprudence, Property, Gratuitous Transfers, and Land Use. He earned his law degree at Harvard and his Ph.D. at the University of Michigan. He has been a member of the UT law faculty since 1985.
Dix Noel and Charles Miller
Honored with Library Plaque Awards

Their names are familiar to generations of UT law graduates. From now on, their names will become known to generations of students campus-wide. Dix W. Noel and Charles (Charlie) H. Miller, each of whom served on the UT law faculty for almost 30 years, have been chosen to receive library plaque awards from the University. Faculty study rooms in the recently-expanded John C. Hodges Library will bear plaques with their names and achievements. This honor is reserved for previous faculty members who have attained distinction and recognition, both within and beyond the University, for teaching, scholarship, and public service.

Dix Webster Noel

Selected for this honor during the 1989-90 academic year, Dix earned his A.B. at Harvard College in 1927, the LL.B. at Harvard Law School in 1930, and the M.A. at Columbia in 1938. He practiced in New York City and Boston and taught at the University of Toledo, Temple, and Northeastern University before joining the law faculty at UT in 1945. His special field of interest was products liability, and he co-authored a standard text in that field. He also wrote over 20 articles in the most distinguished law journals. One, on "Manufacturers' Negligence of Design or Directions for Use," became a classic in its field, frequently cited by judges and repeatedly requested by engineers, attorneys, and judges in connection with pending cases. Another article on the same subject helped to produce a new rule adopted by the American Law Institute in 1964 concerning manufacturers' liability.

Professor Noel, who was named a Distinguished Service Professor in 1966 and retired in 1974, was a member of the Order of the Coif, Phi Beta Kappa, and the American Law Institute. He served as faculty advisor to the Tennessee Law Review for 22 years. He died in 1979, and his wife Louise, a pioneer in mental health care in East Tennessee, just passed away this September.

Charles Henderson Miller

Professor Miller was selected for this honor during the 1990-91 year. He earned the A.B. and the LL.B. degrees from Duke University, where he helped found the nation's first legal aid clinic. He then established the second clinic at The University of Tennessee in 1947 and served as its director for 28 years. During his tenure as director, Professor Miller guided the clinic's growth from a caseload of 200 indigent clients to one of over 6,000 before his retirement in 1976.

He is said to have provided intellectual stimulation for an entire generation of law students, emphasizing their ethical responsibilities to clients and to the community. He also helped establish clinics at other schools, including Georgetown, the University of Maryland, and Puerto Rico. He authored several articles on clinical practice and co-authored a book entitled Social Problems: A Sociological Interpretation. A colleague stated that "clinical legal education would not exist today, in any recognizable shape, had it not been for (Charlie) Miller."

Professor Miller still lives in Knoxville and occasionally participates in Law College events.
James R. Omer Scholarship
Endowment Established with
College’s Largest Commitment
of the Year

Prominent Nashville trial attorney, James R. Omer, has pledged $44,000, payable over four years, to establish a scholarship endowment for the benefit of law students from Davidson, Williamson and Weakley Counties. Interest earned on the endowment will provide full-tuition in-state scholarships for academically superior and financially-needy UT law students. Jim Omer is a 1963 graduate of the College of Law and he received the College’s Alumni Leadership award in 1990. His pledge was the largest cash commitment made to the College of Law in FY1989-90.

Class of 1990 Pledge $10,000 as Their Gift to the College

The members of the Class of 1990 are gone but not forgotten. They left behind a pledge of $10,000 to establish a new scholarship endowment and the first-ever senior class giving program at UT, Knoxville and the College of Law. An eight-member Class of 1990 Development Council organized the effort and pledge drive. Many of the graduating students pledged between $150-$750 toward the endowment payable over a five-year period. Interest earned from the endowment will be awarded annually to a third-year law student based on academic performance and financial need.

New College of Law Scholarships
Announced

Elsie Naomi Jones Scholarship
A gift of $25,000 from Gladys Stamm Boester, of Arling­ton, Virginia, established a named scholarship in memory and honor of her friend, Elsie Naomi Jones. Miss Jones attended the Chattanooga School of Law in the 1930’s.

Kingsport Bar Scholarship
Gifts from Kingsport area firms and individual members of the Kingsport Bar Association totalling $10,000 have established a scholarship endowment for the benefit of local law students. M. Lacy West, President of the King­sport Bar Association, initiated the project.

Ritchie & Wise Scholarship
The Knoxville law firm of Ritchie & Wise announced plans to support a full-tuition in-state scholarship with annual gifts of $2,500. The scholarships will be awarded to first­year students on the basis of academic performance.

Matthews-Jeter Scholarship
A gift of $10,000 from Mrs. Mary S. Jeter of Jackson, Mississippi coupled with a Presidents’ Club commitment from J. Payson Matthews III, of Somerville, has established a new scholarship endowment for the benefit of students from West Tennessee. The scholarships created by this endowment will be awarded for superior academic performance to qualified UT law students from one of eight specified West Tennessee counties. Mrs. Jeter is the aunt of Payson Matthews, a 1959 UT law graduate, and the great-aunt of Blake Matthews, a 1986 UT law graduate, of Nashville.

Jim D. Owen Scholarship
To honor the memory of his parents, Reuben Paul and Mary Stella Owen, Knoxville attorney Jimmy Dean Owen has established a scholarship for Tennessee residents. Mr. Owen is a 1971 graduate of the College of Law.

Public Interest Law Stipends
In 1990 UT law students established the Tennessee Asso­ciation of Public Interest Law (TAPIL) and organized its first fund-raising effort. During a one-week pledge drive, TAPIL officers received commitments totalling nearly $10,000 from faculty, students, and local attorneys to be used to supplement the summer salaries of students pursing careers in public interest law.
New UT Presidents' Club and Society Members
(since last issue of Alumni Headnotes)

**Presidents' Club**
- C. George Caudle - Lookout Mountain, Georgia
- James M. and Kim L. Doran - Nashville
- L. Hale and Bonnie C. Hamilton - Signal Mountain
- Mary S. Jeter - Jackson, Mississippi
- J. Thomas Jones and Imogene A. King - Knoxville
- Michael B. and Katherine W. Kinnard - Knoxville
- George F. and Bobbie H. Legg - Knoxville
- Carole Yard Lynch - Signal Mountain
- Wilson S. and Nancy L. Ritchie - Knoxville
- Richard H. Roberts - Knoxville
- James C. Simmons, Jr. - Atlanta, Georgia
- Billy J. and Bay Stokes - Knoxville
- Arthur H. and Suzanne Stolnitz - Los Angeles, California

**Heritage Society**
- James R. Omer - Nashville

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**Two New Leadership Awards Established In Names of Chancellor George Lewis and Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman Firm**

George T. (Buck) Lewis, III, Class of '80, has endowed an annual student award in honor of his father, George T. Lewis, recently retired Chancellor of the 30th Judicial District of Tennessee and 1936 graduate of the College of Law. The $500 award will be presented annually, on the occasion of the Law College Honors Banquet, to the Chairperson of the Moot Court Board in recognition of that individual's contributions to the life of the College. Buck served as Chair of the Moot Court Board during his law school years.

Chancellor Lewis retired this year after ten years as a Chancery Court Judge, four years as a Shelby County Attorney, and over fifty years in the practice of law. After law school, he served on the USS Lexington in the Philippines and was decorated by Admiral Halsey for distinguished service in combat with the enemy. He was the Tennessee Jaycees' Outstanding Young Man of the Year and the Shelby County Young Lawyers' Judge of the Year. He also served on the board of the Department of Mental Health and as presiding judge of the Courts of Shelby County. This award is to honor Chancellor Lewis' long and distinguished career in the law and his service to his community and country.

The Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman Student Leadership Award is being endowed by several alumni who are attorneys in the law firm of Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch: George T. Lewis III, Mike Patton, Gene Podesta, Jill Steinberg, Steve Ragland, and Steve Roth. The $500 cash award, to be presented at the annual Honors Banquet, is intended to recognize students who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership in any area of law school endeavor. The recipient of the award will be named by these Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman attorneys from a list of recommendations made by a faculty committee.

**Justice Dennis Archer Visits**

Dennis W. Archer, Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court, visited the George C. Taylor Law Center this spring to discuss career strategies for minority law students. Prior to his appointment to the bench in 1985 (confirmed by election in 1986), Justice Archer was a successful trial attorney and the former president of the State Bar of Michigan, the National Bar Association, and the Wolverine Bar Association.

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**Kavita Mennon of Farragut, left, and Stacey Means of Karns were the Best Witness and Best Attorney, respectively, in this year's Knoxville Area High School Mock Trial Tournament. Law students serve as advisors to the teams.**

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**Justice Dennis Archer**

**COLLEGE OF LAW DEVELOPMENT ANALYSIS**

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Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis Announce $25,000 Commitment

The Nashville law firm of Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis has pledged $25,000 to further academic excellence and development at The University of Tennessee College of Law.

Of the total commitment, $15,000 will be used to establish two annual $1,500 scholarships for the next five years. One scholarship will be offered solely to second-year minorities, while the other will be available to all second-year students. The remaining $10,000 is designated for the building fund for the proposed new law school facility.

"The University of Tennessee has consistently produced outstanding attorneys," said George Bishop, partner with Waller Lansden and member of the Alumni Advisory Council. "We want to support the continuation of that tradition by contributing to the academic advancement of its students as well as to the physical development of the school."

Baker, Worthington Pledges $20,000; Endows Sowell Scholarship

The law firm of Baker, Worthington, Crossley, Stansberry & Woolf has established a scholarship endowment fund at The University of Tennessee College of Law in memory of Richard Thurston Sowell, a partner in the firm who died in November, 1989. Sowell earned his J.D. degree at the University of Tennessee in 1973 and had been a partner with the firm since 1976. "This scholarship is a fitting memorial due to Mr. Sowell's willingness to tutor young lawyers. It will continue the work of mentoring legal minds through education," said College of Law Dean Marilyn V. Yarbrough.

The $20,000 pledge is payable over two years. The first $10,000 gift was presented to Dean Marilyn Yarbrough by Don C. Stansberry, Jr. at a dedication ceremony at the firm earlier this month. The firm also presented the College of Law with a portrait of Mr. Sowell which is on permanent display in the Moot Court Room of the George C. Taylor Law Center. Mrs. Dianne Sowell was an honored guest at the ceremony.

The Richard T. Sowell Memorial Scholarship will be presented to a second- or third-year law student at The University of Tennessee College of Law who has demonstrated superior academic performance and has financial need which has not been met with outside employment. Individuals interested in contributing to the fund may do so by sending their check directly to the College of Law designated for the Sowell Scholarship.

Brazilian Attorney, Law Professor Visits GCT

Naylor André Das Chagas Lima came a long way to study the U.S. judicial and educational systems. Chair of a Rotary Group Exchange Study Program from Brazil, he is a public prosecutor and a professor of civil law at Londrina's State University and of Penal Suit Law at the Magistrature School of Parana.

In April, Professor Lima met with members of the faculty and attended several classes at the College of Law. His interpreter and escort was one of our own: 1989 graduate Madeleine Burkhart.

Moot Court Team Places Third in Nation

This spring, three law students from The University of Tennessee performed extremely well in the Robert F. Wagner, Sr. Memorial Moot Court Competition in New York. Team members Mark Hanshaw, Laura Hendricks, and Virginia Schwamm placed third in the nation. They wrote a brief and argued orally a case concerning the discharge of employees for disobeying their employer's drug-free workplace policy. They lost to the team from Georgia State which went on to win the competition.

Hanshaw was in his second year of study; Hendricks and Schwamm have since graduated. Professor Patrick Hardin served as their faculty advisor.
Class of '74

VICTOR H. ASHE II, mayor of Knoxville, and his wife Joan are the proud parents of their first child, James Victor Henderson Ashe, born on May 24, 1990.

J. ANTHONY FARMER, a partner with Ray, Farmer & Eldridge of Knoxville, was elected vice president from East Tennessee for the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association in June.

G. TURNER HOWARD III has recently announced his full-time practice of law with the firm of Milligan & Gilbert after nine years in the pastorate as an ordained Presbyterian minister (during which time he pastored two churches in Knoxville). He reports that he is immensely enjoying law practice, specializing in personal injury litigation.

JAMES M. MOORE recently formed a partnership with UT law alumnus Sam G. Smith ('81) as Moore and Smith in Knoxville.

Class of '71

J. RANDOLPH HUMBLE of Rainwell, Humble & Vowell in Knoxville was recently elected secretary of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association.

JOSEPH M. TIPTON of Knoxville has been appointed to the Knoxville court of criminal appeals.

Class of '72

K. DICKSON GRISSOM, formerly a senior Knoxville city attorney, was recently named deputy city law director.

GEORGE F. LEGG was recently elected president-elect of the Knoxville Kiwanis club.

Class of '75

PAUL CAMPBELL III, a partner in the Chattanooga firm of Campbell & Campbell, was elected vice president of the Tennessee Bar Association in May. He will serve as president in 1992.

KAY HARRISON KASERMAN was appointed referee for Knox County's juvenile court.

W. MORRIS KIZER, a partner in the Knoxville firm of Gentry, Tipton, Kizer & Little, has been appointed to Holston Gas's board of directors.

JAMES L. MILLIGAN, JR. and Roger L. Gilbert (Class of '85) of Knoxville have announced the formation of a partnership under the firm's name of Milligan and Gilbert.

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Class of '76

JERRY N. ESTES, district attorney general for the 10th Judicial District, has been given the Future Business Leaders of America's first Distinguished Alumni Award. He is the only Tennessean ever to serve as national president of the group.

BRUCE D. FOX of Ridenour & Ridenour in Clinton was recently elected to the board of governors of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association.

KATHERINE PARKS LOVINGOOD, a patent attorney with the U.S. Department of Energy, reports that she has graduated from Leadership Oak Ridge 1990.

Class of '77

MICHAEL Y. ROWLAND of Knoxville was recently appointed to the court of appeals for East Tennessee.

Class of '66

JOHN A. TURNBULL of Livingston was appointed circuit judge of the 13th Judicial District after 22 years of private practice. He is a past president of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association.

Class of '68

JESS D. CAMPBELL and his new partner Gary S. Dawson (Class of '78) were featured in a recent issue of The Knoxville Journal. The focus was their new law office located in a colorful historic building in downtown Knoxville.

MICHAEL A. McMahan and RANDALL L. NELSON have been appointed to the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit after the 13th Judicial District after 22 years of private practice. He is a past president of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association.

Class of '69

HOWARD H. BAKER, JR. has been elected to the United States Senate, Chattanooga, has been elected vice-president of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association.

Class of '86

Arthur G. Seymour, a partner in the Knoxville firm of Nelson, McRae, and associates, is the proud parents of their daughter, Elizabeth Anne, born on May 24, 1990.

Class of '87

Douglas M. Cox (Class of '87) has been appointed to the board of the Tennessee Bar Association's board of governors of the Tennessee Bar Association.

Class of '88

John W. Wheeler, a partner in the firm of Dugger & Carston in Knoxville, was recently elected to the board of the American Bar Association.

KASERMAN was appointed to the board of the American College of Trial Lawyers for East Tennessee.

Class of '89

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Class of '90

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Class of '94

EMILIO M. RODRIGUEZ, a member of the law firm of O'Neill, Parker & Williamson in Knoxville, was recently elected as a fellow of the American Bar Foundation. In addition, he was elected to a three-year term on the board of governors of the Tennessee Bar Association in July of this year.

Class of '95

Paul Campbell III, a partner in the Chattanooga firm of Campbell & Campbell, was elected vice president of the Tennessee Bar Association in May. He will serve as president in 1992.
Class of '77
CAROLE YARD LYNCH of Chattanooga has been elected to the executive council of the National Conference of Barrister Presidents. She is a partner with Grant, Konvalinka & Grubbs.

MARK ROGERS of Murfreesboro was elected treasurer of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association in June.

R. CULVER SCHMID, a partner with Hunton & Williams, has been named to the board of directors and is president-elect of the Alumni Association for Webb School of Knoxville.

RAYMOND A. SHIRLEY, JR., formerly associated with the firm of Lockett, Slivis & Weaver for eight years, has opened a solo practice in Knoxville. He is also an adjunct instructor at Pellissippi State Community College.

DOUGLAS A. TRANT, chairman of Knox County Democratic Party and a practicing attorney, was featured in the May 21, 1990 issue of The Knoxville Journal.

Class of '78
WILLIAM W. BAXTER of Knoxville was re-elected chairman and president of Holston Gases, Inc. He was also selected as a member of “Bicentennial Outreach,” an organization recently developed to promote awareness and encourage participation in the Knoxville Bicentennial ’91.

GARY DAWSON—see Jess Campbell, Class ’68.

GAIL M. AND EDWARD F.M. GOOD of Knoxville have adopted a little boy—Elliott F.M. Good on April 11, 1989. Edward received his M.D. degree in 1987 and began private practice on July 1, 1990. Gail is a member of Kennerly, Montgomery & Finley, P.C. and is also president and chairman of the board of Buckhead Construction Company.

BRENDA J. WAGGONER, Knox County general sessions court judge, was recently awarded the 1990 Jane Wheatcraft Award by the Tennessee Task Force Against Domestic Violence for her efforts to ensure justice to domestic violence victims. In addition, she was recently chosen to receive the East Tennessee State University Alumni Association’s Award for Honor for distinction in her career.

Class of '79
STAN BRIGGS has been appointed referee of Knox County juvenile court’s child support division.

DONNA R. DAVIS of Hicks, Arnold, Haynes, Sanders & Davis in Knoxville was elected president-elect of the Tennessee Trial Lawyers Association in June. (This is the first time a woman has been elected to head a statewide bar association.) Also, she was one of the recipients of the 1990 Wiedmann Wysocki Citation of Excellence awarded by the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. She is moderating a finance and legal issues course in UT’s Non-Credit Program.

JOHN E. ELDREDGE of the Knoxville firm of Ray, Farmer & Eldredge, received the 1990 Law and Liberty Award at the Knoxville Bar Association’s annual Law Day Luncheon held in May.

EDWIN C. TOWNSEND, JR., UT National Alumni Association’s past president, was named national chairman of annual giving. Ed is a partner with Townsend & Townsend in Parsons.

Class of ’80
JOHN R. TARPLEY has relocated from Nashville to Knoxville to become associated with the law firm of Lewis, King, Krieg & Waldrop. He was formerly with the state Attorney General’s office.

JOHN C. CAVETT, JR., partner in the Chattanooga firm of Jahn, Jahn & Cavett, was recently presented a special award recognizing the 1989-90 ACLU Cooperating Attorneys.

J. EDDIE LAUDERBACK has become a partner in the firm of Herron, Coleman, Bradin & McKee of Johnson City.

SAM G. SMITH, JR.—see James M. Moore’s notice under Class of ’74

SCARLETT TITTLE WILSON “retired” from TVA where she was employed as the supervisor of the EDC Media Department to be mother to Seth Alexander and to join husband Kevin B. Wilson in Wilson & Wilson as a partner.

Class of ’82
MARC D. COUNTS has become associated with Hunter, Smith & Davis in Kingsport. He was formerly associated with Dearborn & Ewing.

MARGARET GORDON KLEIN, a partner in the Knoxville firm of Hogin, London & Montgomery, was the featured speaker for the March naturalization ceremony. The Scotland native is a naturalized citizen.

GREGORY G. LITTLE was recently named partner in the Knoxville office of Hunton & Williams. Greg also serves as president of the Knoxville Barristers.

JERRY M. MARTIN recently became associated with the Nashville firm of White, Burson & Allyn as the senior attorney in their newly opened Knoxville office.

DIANE (DEE) MONTIE recently announced the formation of a general practice partnership with Beverly P. Sharpe (Class of ’82). Dee’s emphasis is in wills, trust and estate planning, and domestic relations. She is also on the board of the Alzheimers Association.

Class of ’83
BEVERLY P. SHARPE—see Dee Montie’s notice under Class of ’82. She lists bankruptcy among her practice interests.

CHARLES A. THOMAS has been named to the 1991 class of Community Leadership, a program coordinated by the Knoxville/Knox Co. Community Action Committee.

JOHN T. WILLIAMS has been associated with Summers, McGee & Wyatt of Chattanooga since 1988. He was formerly a court officer for Judge Thomas Hall of Greeneville and an attorney with Stophel & Stophel.

CLASS of ’84
KENNETH C. BECKMAN has become associated with the Chattanooga law firm of Caldwell, Helton & Green. He also has been elected treasurer of the Tennessee State Trademark Association.

MATHIEU DALE BROWNFIELD has become a partner in the law firm of Grant, Konvalinka & Grubbs, P.C. of Chattanooga. He also has been named to the publications committee of the United States Trademark Association.

MICHAEL L. FORRESTER was named partner in the Kingsport firm of Hunter, Smith & Davis in January of this year. He and his wife, Leslie, were expecting their first child in May.

LINDA C. HUDSON, executive director of the Chattanooga Human Rights and Human Relations Commission, recently described projects completed in the past by the Commission and future plans for the City of Chattanooga in the organization’s new newsletter.

ARCHIE ANN JOHNSON of Knoxville has been named a director of the Knoxville Civilian Club for 1990-91.

EVERETT H. MECHEM has become a member of the law firm of Wilson, Worley, Gamble & Ward in Kingsport.

JANICE C. PORTER of Knoxville, formerly with Watt, Dyer & James, has become associated with the firm of McCampbell & Young.

Class of ’85
DAVID B. HUTTON BRAND of Mabley & Hunt has received the designation of accredited personal financial specialist from the Am. Inst. of Certified Public Accountants.

J. WILLIAM COLEY has been named a partner in the law firm of Hodges, Doughty & Carson of Knoxville. He was also elected moving vice president of the Tennessee Young Lawyers Conference in July.

JENNIFER P. CRAIG has joined the Knoxville law firm of Moore and Smith as an associate.

STEPHEN H. ELMORE has opened his own practice in Knoxville. He was formerly associated with Susano & Shepherd, and he also served as a clerk on the court of appeals.

ROGER L. GILBERT—see James Milligan’s notice under Class of ’75.

CYNTHIA R. LAWSON has joined the Knoxville law firm of Lewis, King, Krieg & Waldrop.

DEANNA J. DAUGHERTY has become a member of the law firm of Wilson, Worley, Gamble & Ward in Kingsport.

JAMES W. (JAY) CLEMENTS III of Chattanooga recently became associated with the law firm of Kennedy, Fulton & Koontz.

DEANNA J. DAUGHERTY is now associated with Doughty, Doughty & Carson in Knoxville.

JAMIE B. LEWIS has been elected a director of the revived Knoxville Jaycees.

JEFFREY R. MURRELL is now associated with Wimberly, Lawson & Cobb in Knoxville.

JENNIFER L. RAWLS has been elected ways and means vice president of the Knoxville Jaycees.

JEFFREY A. WOODS has been elected president of the Knoxville Jaycees.

Class of ’89
ELBERT JEFFERSON, JR. has been named to the 1991 class of Community Leadership, a program coordinated by the Knoxville/Knox County Community Action Committee.

F. SCOTT MILLIGAN completed a judicial clerkship in Chattanooga and returned to Knoxville to practice with the firm of Frantz, McConnell & Seymour.

TIMOTHY R. SIMMONS has become associated with the firm of Caldwell, Helton & Doughty in Chattanooga.

Middle Tennessee

Class of ’67
JAMES E. HALL, formerly of Signal Mountain, has been named executive assistant to the Governor and executive director of the Tennessee State Planning Office.

Class of ’68
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Class of ’73
JOHN W. STEENBERGEN III and his new partner announced the formation of their firm, Steenbergen & Grefsgen, in Columbia.

Class of ’76
WILLIAM H. WEST recently became a principal with the Nashville law firm of Stokes & Bartholomew.
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Class of '77

RICHARD A. DORRIS and wife Rhonda of McMinnville are enjoying their first child, Rachel Marie, born Oct. 26, 1989.

MARY E. PARKER of Nashville was featurized in the February 12, 1990 issue of The National Law Journal in a story about "How 10 of the Nation's Top Litigators Bring in the Big Verdicts."

JIMMIE LYNN AND ALLAN RAMSAUR of Nashville have a new son: Benjamin Allan Ramsaur was born on August 10th, weighing in at 8 lb., 1 oz.

Class of '78

CHRISTINA N. NORRIS has resigned her position as Davidson County clerk and master (which she had held since 1981). She recently reported that she was hard at work on two friends' campaigns for judicial offices, teaching two courses at the paralegal school, enjoying her daughters' company, and participating in a multitude of neighborhood and community activities. She says it's great to be able to take a respite!

HAL L. WILLIS, JR. of Nashville was recently promoted to the position of senior counsel of Opryland USA, Inc. He is responsible for all legal matters involving The Nashville Network and Opryland Music Group.

Class of '79

PAULA D. GODSEY of Nashville has been appointed by the Tennessee Supreme Court to serve on the Board of Professional Responsibility's hearing committee, District V.

Class of '80

DAVID N. BRADY of Cookeville was appointed First District public defender for the 13th Judicial District in 1989.

Class of '81

MARY SUE RAY TAYLOR was married to Mark Randall Taylor II on January 13, 1990. She is a trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Labor in Nashville; Mark is a social worker with Comcare.

TIMOTHY J. WIBKING of the Nashville law firm of Woods & Woods was recently presented a special award recognizing the 1989-90 ACLU Cooperating Attorneys.

Class of '82

DAVID M. SMYTHE has announced the opening of his law office in Nashville.

Class of '83

JON E. HASTINGS has been named a partner in the law firm of Dearborn & Ewing of Nashville.

M. THOMAS JURKOVICH, formerly with Fulbright & Jaworski in Houston, Texas, has become associated with the Nashville firm of Dodson, Parker & Behm.

Class of '84

MICHAEL D. BOWLES, a trust officer for the National Bank in Nashville, was recently elected to the board of directors of AARP-sponsored Widowed Persons Service of Nashville and the board of Guardianship and Trust Corporation.

DANIEL B. BROWN recently became an associate in Wyatt, Tarrant, Combs, Gilbert & Milom's Nashville office. He was formerly with the state Attorney General's office.

STEPHEN P. SPANN AND KIMBRA R. SPANN of Nashville proudly announce the birth of Devon Tyler Spann on April 7, 1990. Stephen recently accepted a position as general counsel and assistant vice president with First American National Bank after four years with King & Ballew.

REBECCA E. DOMINA of Hermitage has joined the Nashville law firm of Zinser & Delaney.

Class of '85

JOHN C. TISHLER has become associated with the law firm of Farris, Warfield & Kanaday in Nashville.

Class of '86

JOSEPHINE D. CLARK and ROBERT W. SCOTT have become associated with the Springfield firm of Larry Wilks.

Class of '87

LYLE REID of Brownsville is now chief justice of the Tennessee Supreme Court. He formally served as judge of the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals.

G. SCOTT MORRELL recently accepted a promotion from U.S. postal inspector (in northern California) to inspector attorney in the office of the regional chief inspector at the southern regional headquarters in Memphis.

WILLIAM HALTOM, JR. was the featured speaker for UT, Knoxville's Chancellor's Convocation and Torch Night Ceremony held on Sept. 6, 1990.

Class of '88


TERESA J. SIGMON recently became a partner in the Memphis law firm of Armstrong, Allen, Frewitt, Gentry, Johnston & Holmes.

DONALD E. PARISH has been re-elected as municipal judge for the city of Huntington.

JILL MENUSKIN of Charleston, South Carolina, and her husband, previously a partner in the firm of Gray, Cary, Ames & Frye of San Diego, has become a partner in Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison's litigation department in San Diego.

LAURA ABERNATHY WILLIAMS and her husband, Kyle, of Jackson announce the arrival of a son, Logan Andrew, born on April 15, 1990, weighing 8 lb., 11 oz.

ELIZABETH EINSTMAN of Nashville has become associated with Heiskell, Donelson, Bearman, Adams, Williams & Kirsch in Memphis.

SCOTT G. KIRK joined the Jackson firm of Hardee & Martin in September following the completion of his judicial clerkship for Judge Lyle Reid on the court of criminal appeals.

JAMES R. MILLER II has finished serving as a judicial law clerk for Judge David Farmer of the Tennessee Court of Appeals for the Western Division since August 1989.

Class of '80

ROGER W. HUDSON and his wife KAREN WAGNER HUDSON announced the birth of their second child, a son, Daniel Wilson Hudson, on May 11, 1989. Roger is now a partner in the law firm of Murfree, Copeland, Moore in Murfreesboro.

ROBERT H. BRUMLEY III, former general counsel for the U.S. Department of Commerce and now an attorney at Huntton & Williams, discussed his globe-trotting adventures in the Soviet Union and the Far East with UT College of Law Professor Glenn Reynolds' International Business Transactions class in April.

CLASS OF '81

JESSICA K. PARKS was nominated by President Bush to be one of the three members of the Merit Systems Protection Board. Her husband EDGAR M. SWINDELL, also Class of '81, recently assumed a senior legal position at the Dept. of Health and Human Services in Washington.

SUSAN J. BOLAND is currently a staff attorney with the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.

Class of '82

COL. W. A. WATT of Ormond Beach reports he has retired from the U.S. Army.

Class of '74

KELLY B. HARDWICK III announce the opening of his law office in Bartow.

Charles E. Kennedy, formerly of Memphis, has been promoted by Federal Express Corporation and transferred to Miami. His new title is International Counsel - Latin America Region.

Class of '81

MELODY D. GENDEN recently entered into a partnership with several attorneys in Sarasota under the name of Joy, Gause, Genson & Moran. Melody is also a panel trustee for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Middle District of Tampa, and Gov. Bob Martinez has appointed her as an outside counsel for the Dept. of Transportation. She specializes in civil litigation and bankruptcy.

Class of '83

LAWRENCE V. TAUBE recently opened a solo practice in West Palm Beach.

Class of '88

ROBERT H. KOSKY, JR. is a special agent and assistant legal advisor for the FBI's Tampa division. He specializes in financial crimes, fraud against the government, and environmental violations.

Class of '74

ROBERT W. SCOTT have Memphis.

Class of '76

EDWARD C. MARTIN, professor of law at Cumberland School of Law, Samford University in Birmingham, recently published his second legal treatise entitled Personal Injury Damages Law and Practice with Wiley Law Publications.

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Class of '81 FRANK P. HARRIS of Atlanta has become a partner in the firm of Van Gerpen, Shigley & Hoffman.

Illinois

Class of '78 CAREY S. ROSEMARIN is now a partner in the Chicago firm of Jenner & Block. After graduation, he spent about six years with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and continues to concentrate in environmental law.

Indiana

Class of '84 JOHN G. HUNDLEY of the law firm of Brown, Todd & Heyburn is now practicing corporate and commercial law in their New Albany office. He reports that he and his wife Lindsey are enjoying their daughter, Mary Hollis, who is now two years old.

Kansas

Class of '70 SAM LYTLE COLVILLE of Leawood wrote that he was taking a three-month sabbatical to travel in Australia and New Zealand and to sail in Tonga.

Class of '82 ROBERT ALAN RILEY and his wife, Natalie Kline, of LaGrange announce the birth of their first child, a girl, Morgan Kincaid Kline Riley on January 2, 1990.

Class of '86 JOHN D. DRAKE entered the JAG Corps U.S. Army after graduation, attended airborne school at Ft. Benning, completed his assignment with the 101st Airborne Div., and assumed the post of command judge advocate with the 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne) at Ft. Campbell. John states that, on occasion, he "has a blast jumping from perfectly good aircrafts."

WILLIAM C. TRENT of Louisville has accepted the position of general counsel for the Independent Pilots Association. The union represents UPS aircraft crew members in collective bargaining, grievance arbitration, and federal court litigation.

Massachusetts

Class of '86 GREGORY E. ERICKSON is a captain in the U.S. Army JAG Corp and stationed at Ft. Devens.

Missouri

Class of '58 JOHN F. DODD, who resides in Mission Hills, Kansas, retired from United Telecom, Inc. as executive vice president and general counsel on January 1 of this year. He is re-entering private practice as a partner in the firm of Smith, Gill, Fisher & Butts of Kansas City, Missouri.

Class of '86 ROBERT DOUGLAS PICKLE of St. Louis, a colonel in the Army Reserve, has been honored by President Bush with the Meritorious Service Medal Award for his service as Assistant U.S. Army Judge Advocate General for Civil Law and as U.S. military academy regional and state admissions field coordinator for Illinois and Missouri. He is also vice president, general counsel, and corporate secretary of the Brown Group, Inc.

New Mexico

Class of '77 ALEXANDER W. PURDUE of Kirtland Air Force Base has been promoted to lieutenant colonel in the Judge Advocate General's Department. He has been chief of the Contract Law Division of the Air Force's Contract Management Division for the past three years.

New York

Class of '59 HENRY J. SCUDDER of Bath was elected president of the New York State Surrogate's Association for the 1989-91 term. He is also assigned to the New York Supreme Court on a yearly basis, and participated as a panelist for the NY State Bar Association Trusts and Estates Section.

Class of '77 CAROL SUE BARNETT of New York City has left private practice and is now labor counsel for the Metro-North Commuter Railroad.

Class of '80 ROBERT O. LINK, JR. has become a member of the law firm of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft in New York.

Class of '84 JOHN MARK SESSOMS is a captain in the U.S. Marine Corp. stationed in Okinawa.
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