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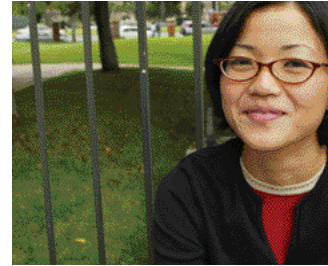
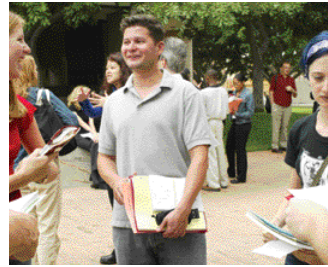
Law, history and culture

International students

A new law library

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Class of 2005

Welcome to law school: USC greeted the **Class of 2005** with a variety of orientation activities, including library **tours** and plenty of **free food**, during the week leading up to the **first day of school** on Aug. 26. This year's **entering class of 209 students** is among the most **academically talented** and ethnically **diverse** ever admitted at USC. The median **LSAT score** of this year's incoming class is **165**, and the median **grade point average** is **3.55**. **Twenty-one** students are African American, **25** are Latino, **39** are Asian American, and **13** are of Middle Eastern, Armenian or East Indian descent. **Seventy** students came from schools **outside California**, including Yale, Johns Hopkins, Georgetown, Michigan, Duke, Tufts, Rice and the University of Pennsylvania.

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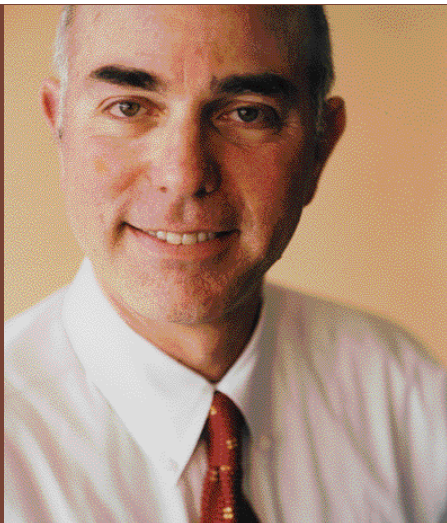
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law and: the big picture

Many wonder whether an interdisciplinary approach to legal education detracts from the bread-and-butter work of a law school: training lawyers. At USC, the question was resolved in 1965, when we created our signature Law, Language and Ethics course, which examines the broad impact of the law on society and the interplay between law, semantics and values. At USC, interdisciplinarity is central to legal education, for reasons both practical and academic. For example, could we understand the changes in contract law in the deep South — enacting draconian enforcement of sharecropper and related debt contracts during the “Jim Crow” era — without understanding the history of slavery and the cultural meaning of sharecropping? Similarly, could we understand the social impact of a congressional extension of copyrights on creations such as Mickey Mouse without understanding the cultural significance of those icons?

The Law School has two goals in incorporating interdisciplinary studies into our law curriculum. One is internal to legal education: Fusing study of the law with other disciplines helps students develop a fuller understanding of how the law works. For example, when I teach my students how to make arguments to the Federal Communications Commission about regulation of cable television, I teach them about the economics of cable TV and how to frame economic arguments. I do this, in part, because FCC decisions are guided as much by explicit economic policy rationales as by law. If my students were unable to handle economic arguments they would be ill prepared for telecommunications practice. From this perspective, preparing students to practice law demands an understanding and familiarity with another discipline.

Interdisciplinarity is important from an external perspective as well. Scholars in fields outside the law often study the legal system in order to understand it, much as a biologist might study a species of bird, or a political scientist might study voting behavior. From this perspective, the outside discipline brings a richer understanding of laws and

processes and their roles in other facets of human activity. It is, perhaps, a “purer” academic enterprise, more closely aligned with the university’s pursuit of knowledge and understanding than with the traditional concerns of professional practice. Of course, history has repeatedly shown that “purely academic” enterprises often become applied, sometimes in unexpected ways.

This issue of *USC Law* highlights our latest interdisciplinary endeavor, the Center for Law, History and Culture (CLHC), which studies the cultural meaning and cultural effects of law, often from a historical perspective. The fields of history, psychology, philosophy, political science, English and cultural studies all play significant roles in our faculty’s teaching and research. CLHC is capitalizing on the Law School’s and the university’s strengths in these areas so as to understand how the law has affected our culture and history, and how our society’s future might be shaped by the law. It is an important effort that is already enriching our understanding of the law’s place, not just in our professional pursuits, but also in our day-to-day lives.

I hope you **enjoy this issue**. If you have any comments or **(ahem)** praise, please **let us know**.

Matthew L. Spitzer, Dean
and Carl M. Franklin Professor of Law

letters

to the editor

Something for everyone

Thank you for the generous article regarding Justice Candace Cooper's and my appointment to the Court of Appeal ("Law grads take new positions on the bench," Page 37, *USC Law*, summer 2002). I brought the magazine home so that my family could see the article. My wife, who is a federal judge, was appropriately pleased about the story concerning her spouse. However, she found even more compelling the article that explored the contradictions inherent in terrorism ("What is terrorism?" Page 12, summer 2002). As one would expect of a 15-year-old, our son ignored the piece on his father. He went straight to an article entitled "What would Homer do?" (Page 15, summer 2002), not realizing it had less to do with Simpson than with professionalism and ethics in legal education. But as an aspiring lawyer, he was hooked into reading the article. So, the issue had something for each of our family's diverse interests. Thank you.

Justice Paul Boland '66
California Court of Appeal, Second Appellate District
Los Angeles, Calif.

A point of pride

The summer edition of *USC Law* magazine arrived and is one of the most beautiful issues I have ever seen. The layout was very professionally done, the photography was excellent, and the articles I read were well done and informative. The Law School should be very proud of this publication. It will certainly bring interest to the school from those who have the opportunity to see and read it. Congratulations.

George Boone
Trustee, University of Southern California
San Marino, Calif.

Less is more

Congratulations on the new look of the *USC Law* magazine. It's very easy to read, with nice colors and good articles. The smaller, three-times-a-year format is a good idea. The past issues were filled with terrific articles, but it was difficult to get through it all in one sitting and thus the magazine found its way to the "to be read" stack. Keep up the good work.

Professor Lawrence Raful
Creighton University School of Law, Omaha, Neb.
(Raful was dean of students at USC Law School 1977-88)

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New faces at the Law School

Deborah Call joins the Law School as the executive director of international programs and center accounts. She began her career at Lucasfilm, Ltd., and later worked for Embassy Home Video and Acor Programs, Inc. At USC, Call manages the new LL.M. program for international lawyers and oversees development of international exchange programs and coordination of accounting matters related to the Law School's research centers. She holds a bachelor's degree from USC and an MBA from Loyola Marymount University. Prior to joining the Law School, Deborah lived and worked in Paris for a year with her husband and son.

Spencer Kimura comes to the Law School's international programs office from USC Marshall School, where he marketed the International Business Education and Research (IBEAR) MBA Program to foreign and domestic business executives. At the Law School, he helps manage the new LL.M. program. Kimura holds a bachelor's degree in Japanese language from Georgetown University and a J.D. from the University of Hawaii. He also lived and worked in Japan for three years.

Linda Corwin joins the Law School's development and graduate relations office as associate director of annual funds. She previously served as the assistant director of admissions at Northwestern University School of Law. At USC, Corwin will serve as a liaison for recent Law School alumni. She holds a B.A. in English from Yale University, an M.A. in public affairs from the University of Minnesota and an M.S. in higher education administration from Northwestern University.



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From left: Deborah Call, Spencer Kimura and Linda Corwin

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briefs



A 2L for president

PHOTOGRAPH BY FELIFE DUPOUY

Hutan Hashemi '04 is breaking Law School tradition — and he's proud of it. For years, a third-year student has held the post of Student Bar Association president at USC. This year, Hashemi beat out two third-year candidates to become the first second-year SBA president in recent history.

"As we've learned here in law school, tradition is subjective," Hashemi says. "Why wait on change when it's going to benefit the school?"

Change is definitely on Hashemi's mind. He wants to diversify the types of activities that the SBA sponsors. He's thinking about organizing intramural games, beach outings, barbecues and nature hikes, in addition to the traditional bar-hopping "bar review." He wants stricter scrutiny of the money that goes to student groups. Most of all, Hashemi wants SBA to foster a greater sense of community among students, professors and the rest of the university.

"USC is famous for its close-knit alumni network," says Hashemi, a 2001 graduate of University of California, Irvine. "That's why a lot of us came here. These are our future peers and colleagues. If we can't build a community within the Law School, how are we ever going to do that in our law firms and businesses?"

Hashemi himself had a busy first year, participating in the Public Interest Law Foundation, Street Law and the Middle East/South Asian Law Association. He spent the summer working at the Los Angeles Center for Law and Justice. As he takes on the SBA presidency this fall, Hashemi says he has a big reason to make sure that the student bar responds to students' needs: He'll be around another year after his presidency ends. "I have a vested interest in making the SBA more accessible and more relevant to the typical USC law student," he says. "If I don't improve the overall life of students here, then I haven't done my job."

USC partners with The California Endowment to help domestic violence victims

The USC Law School Domestic Violence Clinic has received a \$303,333 grant from The California Endowment to develop educational programs aimed at improving the way the courts and state social services agencies handle domestic violence cases.

For women with children, escaping domestic violence is a particularly complicated problem. If a mother fails to leave an abusive spouse or partner as soon as abuse begins, she can lose custody of her children for failing to protect them from exposure to domestic violence, even if the children have not been directly abused. While protecting children is vital, judges and social services workers often do not fully comprehend the difficulties women face in trying to leave an abusive partner, such as a lack of economic independence or threats to the physical safety of the mother and the children. When the mother finally does seek help through the courts, she may face a loss of custody for belatedly revealing the abuse.

"Protecting children from exposure to domestic violence is critical because children do suffer multiple types of harm from witnessing abuse," says Kathy Vaclavik, assistant clinical professor and director of the clinic. "But doing so by taking them away from their mother is not the answer. That approach only further abuses the mother and removes the children from the care of a loving parent."

With funding from The Endowment, Vaclavik will work with law students and USC Law Professor Tom Lyon, an expert on children and

abuse, to develop educational programs for family and dependency court judges as well as social workers with the Department of Children and Family Services. The programs aim to broaden understanding of the unique legal issues victims of violence face and to initiate communication between the agencies on how the courts can best help victims end the cycle of violence. "If the courts can recognize the problem as a whole, they might be better prepared to help the mother and the children become safe from the batterer," says Vaclavik.

The California Endowment is a private, statewide health foundation, offering grants to organizations and institutions that directly benefit the health and well-being of the people of California. "The benefits of these training programs will be realized by all individuals who come into contact with different systems while facing a domestic violence crisis," says Alicia Dixon, program officer at The Endowment.

The Domestic Violence Clinic works in partnership with Los Angeles County+USC Medical Center's Violence Intervention Program and the USC School of Social Work to provide a range of social, medical and legal services to low-income victims of family violence. Since it opened in January 2001, the clinic has assisted more than 100 clients.



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Save the dates

The USC Law School Probate and Trust Conference will be held **Friday, Nov. 15**, at the Westin Bonaventure Hotel and Suites in Los Angeles.

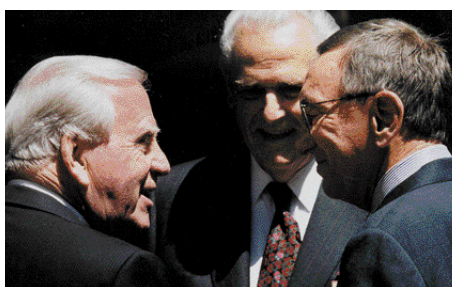
The USC Law School Institute for Federal Taxation will be held **Monday, Jan. 27**, through **Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003**, at the Wilshire Grand Hotel in Los Angeles.

For details, contact the Office of Continuing Legal Education at

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or cle@law.usc.edu.



California legal luminaries gathered to celebrate the Frank Rothman '51 Scholarship Program (see Page 6). Top (left to right): Dean Matthew L. Spitzer '77 with Frank Rothman's son, Steve Rothman, and grandson, Adam. Second: Charles Bakaly Jr. '52, O'Melveny and Myers retired senior partner; Warren J. Ferguson '49, 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals judge; and Spitzer. Below: Matthew Byrne Jr. '56, U.S. District Court judge; Malcolm Lucas '53, retired California Supreme Court chief justice; and Professor (and former dean) Scott H. Bice '68.



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Job opportunities from sea to shining sea

An expanding recruiting program is enabling USC law students to interview — and land jobs — with employers in cities around the country.

For the past four years, the Law School's career services office has managed an off-campus recruiting program matching students with employers in New York City and Washington, D.C., areas of particularly high demand among law students. This year, a record 61 employers in New York and D.C. participated in USC's program, and 12 Chicago employers were added to the slate of options available to USC students. Some of the East Coast's top firms were among the participants, including Hogan and Hartson; Milbank, Tweed, Hadley and McCloy; Cravath, Swaine and Moore; and Cadwalader, Wickersham and Taft. Government offices such as the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are also participating.

Jeremy Mittman, a third-year student at the Law School and New York native, used the program last fall to arrange interviews with six different New York firms. He met with each firm in one day at a hotel in New York; he received call-backs from all six and arranged a second, 10-day trip for another round of interviews. Ultimately, he accepted a position at Proskauer Rose's New York office, where he worked this summer along with another third-year USC student, Gershom Smith, and Christine Lee '02, who was beginning her full-time job there. "I think that with every student who summers in New York, more and more people will follow," Mittman says. "Proskauer and other firms see how capable students from USC are, and they are more and more receptive to hiring from USC.

"I am positive that there was no way I could have gotten all those call-backs without the off-campus recruiting program organized by the career services office," Mittman adds. "One really helpful thing was that I had a mock interview with Dean (Lisa) Mead, which was videotaped. It was really useful because I got to actually see what I looked like when I interviewed and how many times I said 'uh' and shifted in my seat and all."

Eden Kusmiersky, director of career services, says USC grads on the East Coast are pleased to see more USC students interviewing in their cities. She notes the program's success is further evidence of USC's ever-increasing national profile. "We are committed to supporting students in their national job searches and are very happy with the success of this program," she says.



Two senior members of Uganda's parliament visited the USC law library in June to study the U.S. legislative process. Many members of Uganda's parliament have limited understanding of parliamentary procedure, and their legislative resources are few. Legislative Librarian Innocent Rugambwa and Legislative Counsel Elizabeth Bakibinga (pictured above with USC Law Chief Information Officer Albert Brecht, far left) hoped to learn more about American law libraries and to access the plethora of legal resources available to lawmakers. "Learning about your procedures and systems will help us create laws that can stand the test of time," said Ms. Bakibinga.



honoring a legal legend

The new **Rothman Scholarship Program** carries its namesake's standards of excellence

Frank Rothman's (Class of '51) dedication to the practice of law, his determination and his work ethic helped him become one of the nation's most influential trial attorneys. After his death in 2000, his family, friends and associates endowed a major gift to the USC Law School to create the Scholars Program in his name.

Beginning this fall, the Frank Rothman Scholarship provides full tuition for three years of study to the most promising law student selected from each incoming class. The recipient also is guaranteed an offer of a summer associate's position with Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom's Los Angeles office.

“We had **applicants** who found themselves **intrigued by USC** because of **what they** learned about **Frank Rothman**, his success at USC and how that **translated** into his **professional life**.”

The recipient of the Rothman Scholarship is chosen based upon his or her academic performance and significant accomplishments demonstrating a potential for success. The first Rothman Scholar is Duke University graduate Douglas Strasnick (see sidebar). He was picked from among the top students who applied to the Law School this year and a small number of final-

ists who were flown in for personal interviews.

Beginning with Strasnick, the Rothman Scholars program is certain to attract some of the best and brightest law students from around the country, says Law School Dean Matthew L. Spitzer.

“Frank Rothman was the best of the best,” he says, “and we hope to get students who match what Frank Rothman represented. The Rothman Scholarship is sure to become one of the most coveted scholarships in the country.”

Steve Rothman, Frank's son, said the endowment pays tribute to his father's lifelong devotion to the Law School, where he served as chair of the board of councilors, as well as a reminder to others of his father's remarkable legacy. The son of an upholsterer, Frank Rothman went to law school on the G.I. Bill and became a legendary sports and entertainment attorney who represented the National Football League in some of its most important cases. He also was the chief executive officer of MGM/UA during the early 1980s and was a partner at Skadden.

“My father always asked that we do the very best we are capable of,” says Steve Rothman, a partner at Hackman Capital Partners in Los Angeles. “That is what this scholarship is intended to reflect.”

In its first year, the scholarship already has generated tremendous interest among law

The first Rothman Scholar: a rising star

school candidates around the country, according to Dean of Admissions William J. Hoye. About 100 of the top students applying to the Law School this fall were also invited to apply for the program. Many of those who did not receive the scholarship decided to enroll at the Law School anyway.

“We had applicants who found themselves intrigued by USC because of what they learned about Frank Rothman, his success at USC and how that translated into his professional life,” Hoye says. “That’s the power of this program — it reaches far beyond the fortunate few who will be awarded the scholarship. It characterizes, in a very dramatic way, the success and influence our graduates have had in the law, business, government and public policy.”

Frank Rothman’s widow, U.S. District Court Judge Mariana Pfaelzer, says the scholarship honors her late husband by fulfilling his wish to give back to the Law School something in return for the benefit it afforded him. It also recognizes his reputation as a wise counselor and a superb negotiator who had a special rapport with judges and juries. He received many accolades during his career, including being named one of the nation’s 100 most influential lawyers by *The National Law Journal* and one of California’s two most coveted litigators by *California Law Business*.

“Despite the fact that he was widely known and very successful,” Judge Pfaelzer says, “he was a dedicated, serious lawyer and he cared tremendously about his clients. The scholarship recipient is selected on merit because Frank himself exemplified merit in the profession. He was the finest lawyer I ever encountered. We honor that memory with the Rothman Scholars Program.”

As the first Rothman Scholar, Douglas Strasnick has the honor of continuing a remarkable legacy. Frank Rothman, the 1951 USC law graduate for whom the scholarship is named, was one of the most influential sports and entertainment attorneys in the nation. Fortunately, Frank Rothman likely would have approved of Strasnick.

The 22-year-old already has a sparkling resume. He played football, basketball, baseball and ran track in high school. He interned at the Massachusetts State Capitol, as well as in the Washington office of U.S. Senator Jack Reed (D-Rhode Island). He directed a football camp, studied Shakespeare in London and, this spring, graduated from Duke University with top honors.

There’s also his genuine personality. Strasnick has the polite charm of a small-town New England native whose mother is a high school English teacher and father is a pharmacist. He says he’s extremely grateful to be receiving the scholarship.

“This is such a phenomenal opportunity,” says Strasnick. “I’m so honored. Getting into USC is such an incredible accomplishment itself. But getting the scholarship was awe-inspiring.”

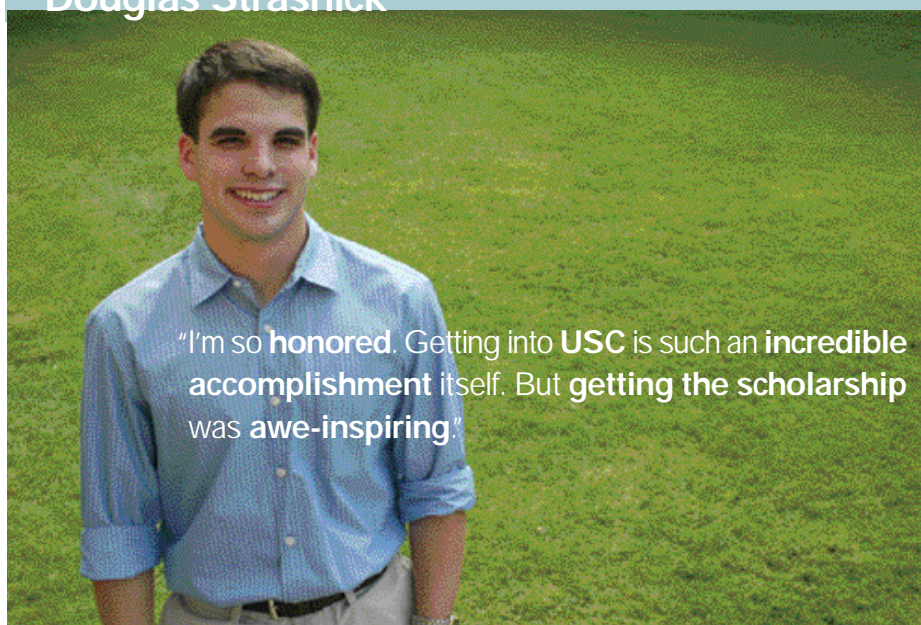
Strasnick, whose older sister, Joy, is a bankruptcy attorney in New York, has long held an interest in the legal profession. He majored in public policy studies and psychology at Duke, and thinks a law degree will help him pursue a range of interests, including advertising, entertainment, sports agency, criminal justice and politics.

“The law is so interesting,” he says. “It provides a sense from which we can always progress. It gives us boundaries, especially in these chaotic times.”

In selecting the Rothman Scholar, Law School administrators reviewed dozens of applications from this fall’s incoming class. A handful of candidates were flown in for personal interviews. Douglas Strasnick stood out because of his extraordinary record of academic accomplishment at Duke University, his strength of character and his charisma, says Dean of Admissions William J. Hoye.

“He left an extraordinarily positive impression that led us to believe that he has terrific potential,” Hoye says. “He understands the responsibility of being the first Frank Rothman Scholar.”

Douglas Strasnick



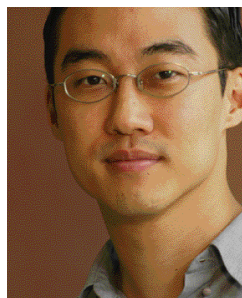
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1. Marc H. Oetzel
2. Hiromi Shiraishi
3. Michi Yamagami

4. Szu-chieh Kuo
5. Sang kyu Hwang
6. Motoi Fujii

7. Adeline Boulanger
8. Piyush Sharma
9. Chikako Morimoto

going global



12 students from around the world **land** at USC to earn master's degrees in law — and gain an **upper hand** on the **global economy**

Michi and Asako Yamagami represent the next generation of Japanese lawyers. The husband and wife from Tokyo are young, cosmopolitan, fluent in English and decidedly progressive when it comes to practicing law in Japan. In a country where most attorneys are trained to provide only general legal work, the Yamagamis want to specialize in the areas of law that will propel Japan into the 21st century.

That's why they left home this summer.

The couple moved into a condominium with an ocean view in Redondo Beach, a short distance from USC. Michi Yamagami is one of 12 students enrolled in the Law School's new LL.M. (Master of Laws) program for foreign lawyers, which launched this fall. Asako, expecting their first child, deferred her enrollment until next year.

The two-semester full-time LL.M. program introduces graduate students who hold foreign law degrees to American law and the U.S. legal system, which is fast becoming ubiquitous as the world's economies intersect and many countries adopt U.S.-style legal documentation. Underscoring the growing influence of U.S. law worldwide, the inaugural LL.M. class has students from Japan, Taiwan, Korea, India, Germany, France, Pakistan and the United Kingdom.

"The economies of industrialized countries are increasingly international," says Law School Dean Matthew L. Spitzer, who traveled to Asia last year to recruit LL.M. candidates from top law firms. "Lawyers serve clients who do business in this global environment. So it makes great sense not only to train your J.D. students to understand this international complexity, but also to bring in lawyers from other countries who have a critical need to understand U.S. law."

Michi Yamagami is one of them. At USC, he plans to focus on international trade, intellectual property, entertainment law and corporate transactions. These are emerging practices in Japan, which is undergoing the most extensive overhaul of its legal system since the end of World War II. As the nation adapts to the global economy, the legal profession is struggling to keep up with a growing number of complex transactions associated with mergers, acquisitions, intellectual property rights, venture capital, real estate financing and international trade.

Progress has been hampered by the country's severe shortage of attorneys. Home to the second-largest economy in the world, Japan has about one lawyer for every 7,000 people; the United States has one lawyer for every 400 people. For decades, the Legal Research and Training Institute of the Japanese Supreme Court, which certifies new attorneys, gave passing marks to only the top 500 of the more than 20,000 people who took the annual bar exam. The system worked as long as most people in Japan's non-litigious society didn't need an attorney. Even big corporations didn't traditionally rely on lawyers to handle transactions.



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USC LL.M.

The inaugural class

- 1 **Marc H. Oetzel**
 Country: Germany
 Firm: PricewaterhouseCoopers Veltins, Cologne
 Education: First and Second State Exam, University of Cologne, Germany
 Area of focus: Entertainment and media law
- 2 **Hiromi Shiraishi**
 Country: Japan
 Firm: Asahi Law Offices, Tokyo
 Education: Law degree, Tsuda College, Japan
 Area of focus: Intellectual property
- 3 **Michi Yamagami**
 Country: Japan
 Firm: Anderson Mori, Tokyo
 Education: LL.B., University of Tokyo, Japan
 Area of focus: Intellectual property and corporate law
- 4 **Szu-chieh Kuo**
 Country: Taiwan
 Firm: Canadian Worldwide Immigration Services Inc.
 Education: B.A., Law, National Taipei University
 Area of focus: Business and media law
- 5 **Sang kyu Hwang**
 Country: Korea
 Firm: 62nd Chemical Company, 8th U.S. Army, Korea
 Education: Law degree, Seoul National University, Korea
 Area of focus: Business law
- 6 **Motoi Fujii**
 Country: Japan
 Firm: TMI Associates, Tokyo
 Education: B.A., Law, University of Tokyo; LL.M., University of Tokyo Graduate School of Law and Politics, Japan
 Area of focus: Corporate law and litigation

“Between Japanese companies, it was not so common that attorneys got involved in negotiations,” says Yamagami, 27, a fourth-year associate at Anderson Mori, one of the largest law firms in Japan with about 100 lawyers. “But the legal culture is beginning to change. Recently, because of contact between U.S. and Japanese companies, the Japanese companies face the necessity of hiring law firms to negotiate with U.S. companies.”

That shift has created a huge demand for lawyers with specialized skills, especially those familiar with both Japanese and Western legal systems. In Japan, foreign attorneys cannot practice Japanese law alone. They must enter into joint ventures with Japanese law firms, furthering the need for attorneys whose expertise can cross borders.

“There are as many American lawyers as Japanese lawyers in my law firm,” says Asako Yamagami, 32, who works for a Japanese firm in Tokyo that is associated with U.S.-based Paul Hastings. “Since the transactions are based on the American style, they teach us the American way of practicing law. So it would help me a lot to understand the culture and the legal system of the United States.”

It will certainly benefit the J.D. population to have exposure to lawyers who have practiced in other countries and are bringing diverse, interesting perspectives into the classroom.

Hiroshi Shiraishi, an LL.M. student who is coming to USC from the Asahi Law Offices in Tokyo, agrees. “To deal with international transactions, it’s essential to have basic knowledge of the U.S. legal system,” says Shiraishi, 35, who wants to focus on intellectual property rights and has written a book on e-business law. “It is very difficult for me to understand the agreements drafted by the American lawyers because I don’t have this knowledge.”

Indeed, Japan isn’t the only country in need of attorneys with a global perspective. Every day, lawyers in countries throughout the world are handling transactions that rely on U.S. law and documentation.

“The U.S. legal market is the biggest market in the world,” says Edwin M. Smith, Leon Benwell Professor of Law and International Relations and the faculty adviser to the LL.M. program. “Foreign lawyers need to understand the American legal system so they can understand how businesses and governments operate in the U.S. and around the world.”

Although Germany’s economy is in a slump, it remains a magnet for American firms and investments and for lawyers working in international trade, telecommunications, banking and intellectual property. In a crowded market for top-notch attorneys, the most sought-after are

those who have a strong understanding of U.S. law as well as the legal landscape of Europe’s largest national economy.

That’s especially true in Germany’s huge media industry, says LL.M. candidate Marc Oetzel, a senior lawyer with PricewaterhouseCoopers Veltins, one of Germany’s leading media and entertainment law firms. In the past half-decade, the industry has become much more international in scope and scale as European media giants such as Bertelsmann and Vivendi merged with American companies.

“The whole media industry has adopted a lot of the ideas, manners and business models from the U.S.,” says Oetzel, 30, who represents some of Germany’s biggest actors, writers and production companies. “It’s the role model for the entertainment market. You always have to keep in mind the U.S. legal system.”

Oetzel normally works and lives in Cologne, the capital of the German media industry. But he’s excited about being in Los Angeles, the self-proclaimed entertainment capital of the world. He hopes to gain first-hand knowledge of the industry inside the classroom and outside. He’s also looking forward to a few power lunches with Hollywood’s A-list.

“My goal is to meet as many people as possible and to understand how the business works in America,” he says. “Los Angeles is the best place for this.”

Oetzel and the rest of the LL.M. class will have ample opportunity to mix and mingle. They will be participating in joint events with the international students at the USC Marshall School of Business, the USC Office of International Students and the various university centers associated with the Law School. And, of course, they will meet regularly with the faculty and J.D. students at the Law School.

Interaction between foreign lawyers with years of legal experience and American students with almost no professional training is one major benefit of the LL.M. program, says Deborah Call, the Law School’s executive director of international programs.

“Many of our J.D. students want to travel or work abroad, and some are focusing their study on international law,” she says. “It will certainly benefit the J.D. population to have exposure to lawyers who have practiced in other countries and are bringing diverse, interesting perspectives into the classroom.”

The LL.M. program also will help fulfill the Law School’s long-standing goal of developing a more international student body, says Call. More than half of the 182 law schools approved by the American Bar Association offer degrees besides the J.D. Roughly half of the students in those programs are foreign nationals, according to the ABA. Thirty-four schools have created LL.M. programs specifically for foreign lawyers.

With its strong ties to the Pacific Rim and its global network of alumni, USC has long attracted international students. One such student is Adeline Boulanger, an LL.M. candidate from France who came to Los Angeles last fall to visit a friend. Instead of vacationing, she found an internship with the French-American Chamber of Commerce, rented a beach house in Malibu and enrolled in the law school's new LL.M. program. She now wants to focus on international business law and perhaps work in the States as a corporate attorney before going back home to Normandy. Her first step: getting a better grasp on the U.S. legal system.

"I've done mostly European business law," says Boulanger, 25, who earned two master's degrees at the University of Valenciennes and the University of Lille, both in France. "So this is a great opportunity for me to combine my understanding of the European legal system with the American legal system, which has such a big impact on the international commercial world. It would help me a lot to have this degree in Europe."

At the French-American Chamber of Commerce, Boulanger worked as a business services coordinator and witnessed the complex legal needs of multinational companies. The chamber has some 300 members, from Internet startups to export-import giants. Each is looking to expand business, whether the company is headquartered in Paris or Los Angeles, she says.

"We have a lot of French companies trying to set up businesses here in California," she says. "To do that, they hire American lawyers. I'd like to help these companies work together."

Manbir Chowdhary is another LL.M. student who sees the value of international experience. A graduate of the University of Buckingham in the United Kingdom, he has worked as a legal assistant for Latham & Watkins and Payne & Fears in Orange County. After completing his LL.M., he plans to take either the California or New York bar exam and specialize in insurance coverage and civil litigation.

"We see an expanding globalization of markets," says Chowdhary, 23. "This means there is increased interaction between American and foreign economies and their legal systems. For foreign law graduates, being educated in other legal systems can only enhance their careers no matter where they choose to practice."

Chowdhary has particularly strong ties to USC — his fiancée is attending the university's Keck School of Medicine. His former boss, Latham & Watkins managing partner Virginia Grogan, is a 1979 graduate of the Law School. But USC's large international student population is what really attracted him.

"The university has a great cosmopolitan feel to it, and its alumni network is renowned worldwide," he says. "The law school is highly regarded within the legal profession. So it's a win-win situation."

LL.M. student Piyush Sharma also was educated in the United Kingdom, at the Cardiff Law School at the University of Wales. There he was exposed to law students from myriad backgrounds and cultures, piquing his interest in international and corporate law. A native of India, Sharma comes to Los Angeles with his own worldly experience. He is fluent in English and Hindi, has traveled widely and, as a child, accompanied his father on frequent trips to New York on behalf of the family's garment export business.

"I met people from all over the world," says Sharma, 24, of his LL.B. education at Cardiff. "You get to know the legal systems everywhere. It was brilliant."

Sharma is sure to find a similar multicultural milieu at the Law School this fall, where he'll study alongside classmates from Los Angeles as well as Tokyo, Paris, Seoul, Taipei and numerous other places — all of them learning to speak the increasingly global language of law.

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Area of focus: International business law

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Country: India
Firm: Bhasin & Bhasin, New Delhi
Education: LL.B., Cardiff Law School, University of Wales, United Kingdom; BA, University of Delhi, India
Area of focus: Corporate law and litigation

9 Chikako Morimoto
Country: Japan
Firm: TMI Associates, Tokyo
Education: B.A., Law, Doshisha University, Kyoto, Japan
Area of focus: International labor law and intellectual property

10 Yu-Hsin Yeh
Country: Taiwan
Firm: The Legislative Yuan (National Congress of Taiwan)
Education: B.A., Law, Fu-Jen Catholic University
Area of focus: International law

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Country: Pakistan
Firm: Law Office of Akbar Khan Ghori; Advocate, High Court of Sind, Karachi, Pakistan
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in demand >>>

At press time, the **LL.M. program** had received more than **400 inquiries** for the **15-18 slots available** in the 2003-04 class.

feature



The new **Center for Law, History and Culture** explores deep connections between **law** and the **humanities**

the spirit of the law

“All things are moral,”

Ralph Waldo Emerson wrote in 1841:

“That soul, which within us is a sentiment, outside of us is a law. We feel its inspiration; out there in history we can see its fatal strength.”

The idea that law is an expression of the human soul — the spiritual, moral, physical and philosophical desires and ideals of people — is at once strange and obvious. In our workaday lives, perhaps, the law is a practical means to an end, a guide for resolving disputes or defining acceptable behavior.

In a not-so-distant realm, however, the law is something more, something that cuts to the bone of what it means to be human. And a growing group of scholars at USC is setting out to explore the meaning of the law — not just as it works in the courtroom or police station or state capitol, but in the hearts and minds of the people who create it and live by it.

By combining two traditionally disparate fields of study — the law and the humanities — members of the new Center for Law, History and Culture (CLHC) are developing a deepened understanding of the role of law in human life and a renewed appreciation for the possibilities of interdisciplinary inquiry.

“The humanities bring to legal studies a way of understanding law as a feature of human existence itself,” says Ronald R. Garet,

an aspiration to a meaningful life, a life worth living.”

For several years, the legal academy has incorporated study of the humanities through “law and gender,” “law and society,” “law and literature,” legal history, and other “law and” courses. At USC, an interdisciplinary course in law, language and ethics has been a touchstone of the curriculum since the mid-1960s. However, few academics fully breached the intellectual boundaries between the disciplines to explore how the law has informed and been transformed by human culture and the study of human culture. That’s changing as legal scholars and their counterparts across the university delve into research that suggests law and the humanities are inseparable. The shift has implications for the way scholars understand the law’s role in other academic disciplines as well as the way lawyers are trained for legal practice.

“We’re seeing a renewed awareness of the way in which law is steeped in human values and cultural values,” says Nomi M. Stolzenberg, a professor at USC Law School and co-director of CLHC. “And, there’s an increasing appreciation for the role that has been played by law in many other fields, from science to literature to moral and political philosophy. This is significant for law and

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the Carolyn Craig Franklin Professor of Law and Religion at USC Law School. “Law is partly a set of instruments used to address particular problems. But it is also an aspiration to the right ordering of life —

humanities academically, but it has at least as much significance for non-academics. We’re finding that all of us, simply as citizens, are deeply affected by and implicated in the law, and that the law is implicated in lots of

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complicated ways in the questions of moral, political and aesthetic values that occupy us as a society, culture and nation.”

A bigger picture

CLHC was established two years ago to facilitate interdisciplinary study at USC. Composed mostly of faculty from the Law School and USC's College of Letters, Arts and Sciences, the center encourages research and foster the exchange of ideas relating to the intersections of law, history and culture. Through a slate of programs, including workshops, conferences, symposia, cultural events and team-taught courses, CLHC hopes to inspire a broader understanding of the interplay between law and human life.

“There's an intellectual story behind this,” notes Hilary M. Schor, co-director of the center and professor of law, English and gender studies in USC's College of Letters, Arts and Sciences. “Once upon a time law and humanities were one subject area in higher education. Over time, universities were professionalized and specialized; walls went up between emerging disciplines. We're hoping to remove those walls and look again at the bigger picture.”

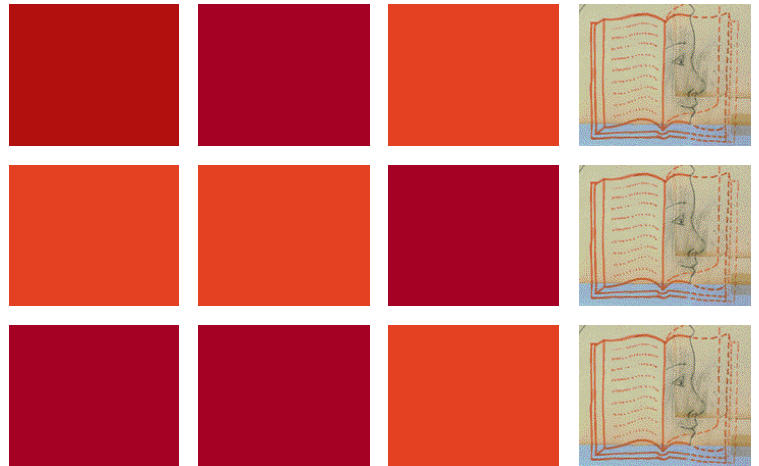
Removing the walls means bringing a variety of ideas into the same room, and, in

this effort, CLHC is already a smashing success. Law School faculty members alone contribute an astounding breadth of expertise, extending from the law into history, religion, biology, psychology, philosophy, literature and other fields. Among them: Ariela Gross, Jody Armour, Mary Dudziak (the center's first director), Daniel Klerman, Carrie Hempel, David Cruz, Martin Levine, Elyn Saks, Gareth and Stolzenberg, as well as professors who share joint appointments between the Law School and other departments on campus, such as Howard Gillman, Marshall Cohen, Timur Kuran, and Schor. Other CLHC members come from USC's departments of history, political science, economics and English, and a few come from other universities such as Loyola, UCLA and American University.

During the 2001-02 academic year, the center sponsored a number of workshops, lectures and four major events. A symposium, held on the 10-year anniversary of the verdict exonerating police officers accused of beating motorist Rodney King, assembled civic leaders and scholars to examine whether race relations have improved since 1992 (see story on Page 21). Another symposium discussed “September 11 as a Transformative Moment” (see story on Page 16).

In addition, the first annual Law and Humanities Interdisciplinary Junior Scholar Workshop, co-sponsored by Georgetown Law Center, Columbia Law School and CLHC and held at USC Law School, attracted both rising stars and well-known experts in law, history and literature, giving junior scholars a chance to hear direct feedback on research from seasoned academics. And the West Coast Law and Literature conference showcased the best new research on the intersections of law and literature.

A busy schedule and a stellar roster of members has helped CLHC generate a buzz among scholars throughout the country. Faculty from other top schools across the country — including Yale, Harvard, Stanford and Columbia — have brought research-in-progress to CLHC workshops for feedback from USC scholars or to participate in symposia, tackling subjects ranging from economic stultification in Middle Eastern countries to Huckleberry Finn and civil rights. “I love this center,” said Annelise Riles, a legal anthropologist from Northwestern University's law school who participated in a number of CLHC events last year. “It offers a point at which knowledge can come together in ways that otherwise would be impossible in the academy.”



Seeing the academy with new eyes

In fact, legal academics and humanities scholars say the cross-pollination of ideas that CLHC fosters is vital to work that seeks to move beyond the traditional and inspire new insight into both disciplines — insight that can shape not only our understanding of where we as humans have been, but also where we might go from here.

Gross, a professor of law and history, serves on CLHC's steering committee. Her recent research on present-day litigation over claims to membership in the Seminole Nation exemplifies how interdisciplinary research can produce new perspectives on social and legal issues. The Seminole Nation is an Indian tribe formed by remnants of Creek and other groups in Florida, including runaway African-American slaves, after the European conquest of America. Although the Seminoles practiced nominal slavery, most "slaves" lived free of their masters, many intermarried with Indians, and some were military and political leaders in the Seminole Nation.

Whether or not the descendants of these "slaves" should be considered members of the Seminole Nation has been disputed. And today, Black Seminoles are suing the U.S. government for a stake in a recent \$56 million settlement the government offered to the Seminoles as reparation for land taken under an 1823 treaty. The outcome of the suit depends on competing versions of the history of the Seminole Nation as well as the racial and tribal identity of the Black Seminoles. "This is a living issue," says Gross. "The questions of who is an Indian and what is the result when there are people of mixed ancestry not only have deep historical roots but also significant repercussions for the way we perceive and apply the law today."

Garet's work on religion, culture and law is also difficult to classify by traditional academic standards, but equally pertinent to contemporary social issues. Garet presented a CLHC workshop on his most recent work-

in-progress, a poetic translation of the Declaration of Independence. His poem, "We Together Wove Our Truths," explores both the "wonder of the idea that all of us are created equal" and the "sense of failure and guilt about the abuses that have been made in the name of our Constitution." In poetry, his observations are mournful but imbued with the hope that comes with lessons learned — sentiments that would be difficult to convey in a traditional scholarly article.

"The more familiar something is, the harder it is to see it," Garet says. "Our way of reacting to familiar words becomes rote. I wanted to take a familiar story and help people see it with new eyes."

Schor could say the same about her research, which lately has focused on the law in Victorian literature. Through her friendship with Stolzenberg, Schor has discovered that the fiction she has spent her life studying and teaching as a scholar of English literature has an alternate life in the legal world. Legal fictions — such as the concept of the bastard child, who has a different legal status than a child born into a marriage despite the biological reality that both children have two parents — have formed the basis of not only law but also cultural, philosophical and

her husband's arms. Until I began thinking differently about the structure of laws governing marriage at the time, I had a very literary idea of what that meant. But maybe it's not a metaphor; at the time, women lost their legal identities with marriage. They became property.

"The law is everywhere in literature. I mean, what great novel isn't about bastardy?"

Translating research into training

Much of the research being conducted by CLHC members also is translating into broader educational perspectives for students. The center offers fellowships to upper-level law students and graduate students in other disciplines who are studying related subjects. CLHC's student discussion group, the Metaphysical Club (named for a group of thinkers with whom Oliver Wendell Holmes spent time), attracted significant interest last year among first-year students "thirsting for a connection to their liberal education experiences in college," says Schor. Team-taught courses — Schor and Stolzenberg teach a law and literature course each year to a mixed group of law students and graduate students in English and gender studies, for instance — also give students an opportunity to study the

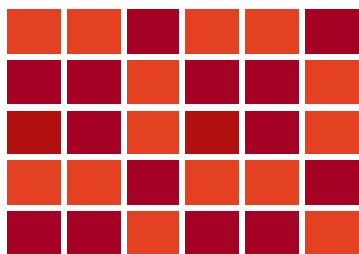
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psychological structures and assumptions. Schor's work is opening new realms of inquiry for literary scholars. Stolzenberg is also studying legal fictions and has collaborated with Schor on some of her research.

"The laws that govern women, marriage and property are rooted in legal fictions," Schor says. "These facts under the law become powerful tropes in literary fiction. In *David Copperfield*, the wife 'disappears' into

law's role in broader academic as well as practical contexts.

Anuj Shah '02 received one of CLHC's four fellowships last year and attended nearly every workshop and conference sponsored by the center. Shah earned a Ph.D. in philosophy before coming to USC; CLHC was a way for him to fuse his academic background with his legal studies, he said, but it was also an opportunity to examine practical appli-



Did Sept. 11 change everything?

cations of the law. “Law students often don’t see the connections between the academic minutiae and how the law is applied in the real world,” he says. “The activities sponsored by CLHC offer an opportunity to see how broader issues exist in relationship to the law.”

Some in the legal academy have decried the rising popularity of “law and” courses, fearing they detract from a law school’s central mission of training lawyers. For Stolzenberg, though, interdisciplinarity in the classroom is imperative to a solid legal education.

“From the standpoint of a practicing lawyer, you absolutely need to know the black-letter law,” she says. “But that’s not sufficient. You’ve got to be able to participate in the back and forth of the construction of arguments. If you look at the content of legal arguments today, they are suffused with philosophical, historical and moral references and ideas. There is no such thing as a legal argument that doesn’t intertwine black-letter law with conflicting views of political and social order.”

Ultimately, Stolzenberg hopes CLHC can help feed a growing desire among students and scholars for a way to locate the law in a broader context of meaning and, perhaps, remind us of the cultural and social opportunities inherent in the development of law and the role it plays in our daily lives.

“Seeing the law through these new perspectives enables you to see more clearly what policies the law has promoted in the past, those promoted today, and what choices we have in designing the role of law in our future,” she adds. “We have the tendency to think that the way things are now is the way things have to be. Art, literature, anthropology and history remind us that these very same practices have in fact taken many forms. They stimulate us to be more inventive. They generate a sense of possibility.”

Sept. 11, 2002, brought solemn memorials and moving tributes. But how will the long lens of history view the events of Sept. 11, 2001? How will historians, political scientists, religious scholars and other academics regard the terrorist attacks and their ramifications in the decades to come?

Those questions were the focus of a symposium organized by USC’s Center for Law, History and Culture. Held in May at USC Law School, “September 11: A Transformative Moment?” examined the notion that the horrific events of that day “changed everything.”

Mary L. Dudziak, professor of law and history at USC and organizer of the symposium, brought together leading scholars from the fields of law, politics, religion and culture to approach the issue from different disciplinary perspectives. This interdisciplinary approach provides a fuller understanding of how the world has been and will continue to be affected by the events of Sept. 11, said Dudziak, who is editing the papers presented at the symposium for publication in a book next fall.

“Out of this cross-disciplinary exchange,” she writes in her introduction to the book, “comes a complex sense of the evocative power of iconic moments in history, yet also the enduring nature of political power, in the U.S., within Islam and around the world.”

Amy Kaplan, a professor of English and American Studies at Mt. Holyoke College, opened the symposium by decoding the language of Sept. 11. She suggested that such familiar terms as Ground Zero and Homeland Defense are being reinterpreted to emphasize new boundaries between the domestic and the foreign. The use of “homeland” evokes the World War II-era “homefront” as well as the German “fatherland” and the Russian “motherland,” Kaplan said. “The meaning of homeland has an exclusionary effect that underwrites a resurgent nativism and anti-immigrant sentiment and policy.”

Others agree that Sept. 11 has given rise to xenophobic sentiment. Loyola Law School Professor Robert Chang, a specialist in racism and the law, said hate crimes directed at Middle Eastern people in the aftermath of Sept. 11 were “redeployed as patriotic gestures, where belonging-ness was exercised through the negation or abjection of those bodies marked as truly different.”

Khaled Abou el Fadl from UCLA Law School, Eliz Sanasarian from USC and Sherman Jackson from the University of Michigan discussed how Sept. 11 might affect Islam and Islamic self-identity. In his essay, Islamic law expert Abou el Fadl said meaning in Islam is acquired through “communities of interpretation.” Therefore, Osama bin Laden’s terrorist acts on Sept. 11 offered an interpretation of Islam “that is at odds with the main interpretive communities of classical Islam,” which, according to Abou el Fadl, do not “bear a message of violence.”

Other speakers at the symposium questioned the belief that Sept. 11 transformed the world. Marilyn Young, a diplomatic historian at New York University, said American foreign policy did not deviate from its historical attempts to sustain the dominant power of the U.S. In this regard, “Sept. 11 did not change the world,” Young argued, “but it did enable the Bush administration to pursue with less opposition ... long contemplated policies, domestic and foreign.”

Sept. 11 didn’t necessarily transform international law either, said Laurence Hefler, an expert on international law at Loyola. What has changed, he said, is the readiness of the U.S. “to claim for itself the right to respond to terrorism unilaterally.” New York Law School Professor Ruti Teitel also called for checks on executive authority, saying that the U.S. has chosen to follow the “law of the exception” in adopting the role of the world’s sovereign police. “The logic is that the U.S. is the police; it follows, therefore, that it can never be the object of police power,” Teitel said.

It was the early 1970s when the USC law library suffered its first major incident of theft.

The library had seen its share of missing books; students forgot to return checked-out texts or volumes were inadvertently swallowed up by faculty desks or office shelves. But this was deliberate work, a law library theft of the highest order: Somehow, all of USC's Shepardizing texts — the legal reference books that track case citations — had disappeared.

The crime was no small feat: it involved dozens of volumes of hefty, expensive, unwieldy books — books that provided critical research aid to faculty and students. So everyone breathed a sigh of relief (likely

tinged with some irritation) when the thieves revealed themselves to be none other than grinning USC law students, hoping to prove a point about the need for better security at their beloved library. After the books were returned to their rightful shelves, the library was redesigned to have just one entrance area, situated near the circulation desk — and within eyesight of library staff.

It is just one example of how changing times have affected the law library. Today, the library faces perhaps its greatest challenge as it redefines its role for the information age. The rapid technological changes of the past decade have so transformed the law library that problems of not so long ago seem quaint.

“Libraries today operate in a completely different world than that of even just 10 years ago,” says Albert O. Brecht, associate dean, chief information officer and John Stauffer Professor of Law at USC Law School. “Law libraries around the country are facing enormous challenges in maintaining the services for which they have traditionally been known while at the same time developing entirely new resources and teaching students using cutting-edge technology.”

To meet these new demands, the Law School is planning an extensive renovation of USC's Gabriel and Matilda Barnett Information Technology Center and the Asa V. Call Law Library. The renovation will facilitate future growth, bring technological



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A major **renovation** will prepare the USC law library for another **century of change**

toward a **21st century library**

resources in line for expansion through the next decade, and create a warmer, more user-friendly atmosphere — while ensuring the library’s ability to continue to meet the full range of information needs presented by students, faculty and the community.

“Everyone agrees that the services our library provides are vital — and that those services are delivered with the utmost professionalism, care and quality,” says Dean Matthew L. Spitzer. “It’s time to bring the quality of our facilities in line with the excellence of our staff and the value of the services they offer.”

A community service

The law library has always been the hub of the Law School’s intellectual activity. For faculty conducting research and exploring ideas both new and old, the library’s resources are immeasurably important. Research librarians help professors hone research agendas, develop bibliographies and canvass the world to locate hard-to-find research materials. Even as electronic databases help law firms reduce their repositories of books, a law school library must maintain a range of resources not just related to current law, but also history, social science, government records and a range of other materials. And many books used by students and professors exist only in printed form, notes Brecht. “In a school with a very scholarly faculty such as ours, the library is used extremely heavily,” Brecht says.

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For most students, the library’s resources are of such critical importance that they will spend more time in the library than any other place in the law building — and with good reason. Library staff help train students to use the texts and databases they will need throughout their legal careers; in addition, the library offers crucial space for study and collaboration that most law students lack at home. Between classes, on weekends and during evenings, the library is packed with students sifting through reference texts, meeting with study groups, or huddling over computers in the lab or at study carrels. The library is, in essence, a law student’s office — the one place on campus where a student can relax, work and conduct business. And the USC law library is open to the public: Community members, as well as other faculty and students from across the university campus, frequently use the library’s resources.

The diversity of the library’s constituency is perhaps matched only by the diversity of the tools it provides. Just 10 years ago, when USC’s law library was last renovated, the Internet was unheard of, laptop computers were rare, and card catalogs — not databases — were the standard tool for research. Today, many research functions are accomplished by computer.

timeline

> **1896** Law Student Association of Los Angeles (USC Law School’s predecessor) forms.

> **1899** The Law School’s first dean, James B. Scott, writes that the school has no income other than tuition, but that “we now have a reading room well-supplied with case and text books.”

> **1904** The school’s board of control approves purchase of new books for the library and begins a card index to track volumes.

> **1927** The library records 20,000 volumes in its possession.

> **1970** USC Law School moves into the Musick Law building (its current home) with 115,000 volumes in the library’s collection.

> **1978** USC’s law library is the first academic library in Los Angeles to purchase access to Lexis. The Lexis terminal contains very few full-text materials — but it comes with an attached printer.

> **mid- to late-1980s** Lexis and Westlaw begin providing individual passwords for faculty and librarian use of their databases; personal access for students quickly follows. Database usage climbs considerably.

> **1990** A new wing of the Law School building adds new space and computer and video labs to the library.

> **1991** An electronic catalog of books replaces the library’s card catalog.

> **1995** The Law School publicly launches its first Web site.

> **1997** Multimedia classrooms are unveiled; one-third of the library’s carrels are wired for personal laptop computers, which are used by 80 percent of students.

> **2002** The USC law library launches a renovation campaign. The library holds 380,000 volumes, including texts on microform, in its collection and maintains public access to numerous databases of full-text legal materials.

USC has developed an extensive web of electronic resources that have opened up a world of digital information and helped reduce the need for duplicate copies of court reports, periodicals and some other legal materials. But many important legal sources continue to be published only in print, and the library adds 6,000 publications to its collection each year. Extensive repositories of periodicals, legal treatises, video and audio tapes, and rare texts are also maintained. Even as the law library directs resources toward increasing technological needs, it must continue to accommodate and plan for the steady growth of its book collections.

Building a 21st century library

To meet these changing demands, USC Law

Among the core project's priorities:

- A wireless network will connect students' laptops to Internet and electronic databases such as Lexis-Nexis and Westlaw. Wireless technology has already been added in some areas, and students will soon be able to connect to the Internet from classrooms and courtyards outside the building, as well as anywhere in the library.
- The student computer lab and the computer training classroom will be renovated and expanded.
- Aging carrels and chairs will be replaced with new, wider carrels and study tables that accommodate both laptops and books, provide electrical outlets for laptop use, and offer individualized task lighting to help reduce eye strain.

will be replaced, and new incandescent lighting will be installed to improve reading conditions. Restrooms will be added on the second floor of the library, and a new internal elevator will improve access to the second floor, meeting the needs of disabled patrons and easing book transfer and reshelving activities.

To raise money for the renovation, the library has sought grants and gifts from private individuals and foundations. To date, nearly \$2.2 million has been raised. The remaining funds will be raised through an alumni fund-raising campaign and additional foundation and individual grants. Construction will occur over two summers to avoid disruption to school-year activities and could begin as early as the summer of 2003.

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School has created a farsighted renovation plan for its library. Developed in consultation with architects experienced in library and academic design, the two-year, \$9.2 million project will ensure the library's ability to meet today's needs and anticipate those of tomorrow. The core project is a renovation of both library floors, at a cost of \$4.2 million. An expanded project, an additional \$5 million cost, includes purchase of an off-campus, climate-controlled book storage facility and endowment funds to support computers and servers, equipment, and library staff.

- New group study rooms will be constructed to meet demand for collaborative work space.
- Additional compact shelving will be installed to accommodate a growing collection of books.

The project also will improve and modernize service areas and the overall look and atmosphere of the library. The central service counter, the entry point to the library, will be expanded to accommodate staff computers and establish multiple service points, facilitating simultaneous service to several clients. Carpet throughout the library

As law libraries around the country reevaluate and renovate to meet the demands of new technologies and new expectations, Brecht says the renovated USC law library will enable USC to maintain its leadership in providing access to the most comprehensive legal resources available. "I am confident," he says, "that with the leadership of our alumni and friends, we will continue to build on the successes of our law library and ensure its ability to serve our students, professors and community well into the 21st century."

The World Health Organization has appointed Alexander M. Capron, professor of law and medicine at the University of Southern California, to head its new Ethics and Health Initiative, which will address bioethics in health care and research worldwide. As WHO's first director of ethics, Capron will lead the global health agency's most significant activities in the field of bioethics to date.

"This newly established unit is the first to address the ethical issues in health policy and biomedical science from the global perspective of WHO," says Capron, University Professor of Law and Medicine and Henry W. Bruce Professor of Equity at USC Law School. He also is co-director of USC's Pacific Center for Health Policy and Ethics.

"In the past decade, ethical issues in health care around the world have become crucially important as much more research is being conducted by pharmaceutical companies as well as with government sponsorship," Capron added. "It has become obvious that any organization that deals with global issues in health care cannot avoid addressing the ethical concerns."

Capron will report directly to WHO Director General Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland and will work at WHO headquarters in Geneva. With WHO regional offices, Capron will assist member countries in developing bioethics standards and procedures, especially for improving oversight of research with human subjects.

Capron also will oversee the creation of a group of WHO Collaborating Centers on Ethics. These centers, to be located in universities and research centers around the world, will assist WHO in studying the most critical ethical issues of the day and developing analyses and policies. Capron is taking a two-year leave of absence from the university and is moving with his family to Geneva.

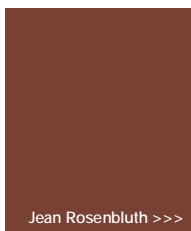
The appointment comes at a time when ethical issues raised by biomedical advancements – from cloning to the mapping of the human genome, from the search for an AIDS vaccine to expensive forms of life-support – have become an inescapable part of healthcare policymaking. At the same time, many basic principles of bioethics, such as respecting patient's choices about treatment, have come to be regarded as virtually universal standards in all countries.

Capron, who also is a professor of medicine at the Keck School of Medicine at USC, served on President Clinton's National Bioethics Advisory Commission, was chair of the congressional Biomedical Ethics Advisory Committee and directed the President's Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research. He is the author or editor of eight books and hundreds of journal articles and chapters on a range of bioethics topics.

Capron to lead global bioethics initiative



New faces Kathryn Vaclavik's interest in domestic violence is intensely personal: Her grandmother endured an abusive husband, and she has taught students who have suffered direct abuse. As an assistant clinical professor and the new director of the Domestic Violence Clinic, Vaclavik also brings a wealth of professional experience to USC. A graduate of the University of Chicago Law School and former teaching fellow of Georgetown Law Center's Domestic Violence Clinic, she taught domestic violence law as an adjunct at Hastings and recently practiced law at Wilson Sonsini in Palo Alto and Howard Rice in San Francisco. At USC, she'll teach and manage the clinic's services to domestic violence victims. She's also spearheading a new effort to help the courts understand the unique problems victims face (see story on Page 4). "Researchers are discovering that many different kinds of problems are linked to children's exposure to domestic violence," she says. "There's still a lot of work to be done for courts to understand the impact of domestic violence on women's lives and their choices, particularly with respect to their children." ■ Before she was an attorney, Jean Rosenbluth '93 worked as a journalist, so she has a particular appreciation for the power of clear and concise writing. It's a skill she'll impart to first-year law students as the new director of USC's lawyering skills program, through which she'll teach legal writing and other essentials. Rosenbluth returns to USC after spending seven years in the criminal appeals unit of the U.S. Attorney's office in Los Angeles. Prior to that, she clerked for judges in the U.S. District Court and the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. As a USC student, she was editor-in-chief of *The Southern California Law Review*.



by Phat X. Chiem

>>> Actor and playwright Anna Deavere Smith discusses her film "Twilight Los Angeles."



Top: Panelists (left to right) Jody Armour, Erwin Chemerinsky and Ramona Ripston. Middle: Erwin Chemerinsky was interviewed by "CBS News" about the 10-year anniversary of the Rodney King verdict. "All of the deep-seated problems in the city with regard to race and poverty and policing have not been addressed," Chemerinsky told reporters. "I think it's inevitable, as tragic as it is, that we're going to have more violence in the future." Bottom: NPR's Warren Olney moderated the symposium.



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Reexamining the **verdict** and the **violence**

On April 29, 1992, South-Central Los Angeles erupted into three days of fiery outrage when Los Angeles Police Department officers were exonerated in the beating of Rodney King.

In April 2002, at a symposium sponsored by the USC Law School, faculty, students and community members came together to reflect on those events and examine how the city's racial and social conditions have developed since.

The program began with a screening of "Twilight Los Angeles," a filmed version of a one-woman play by actress and scholar Anna Deavere Smith. In the film, Smith portrays a number of people who were affected by the uprising, including police officers, Korean business owners, black community leaders and trucker Reginald Denny. After the screening, Smith discussed the film with symposium participants, noting that her characters were "poets attesting to a tragedy"

The event also included a panel discussion of race relations during the past decade. Panelists included law professors Erwin Chemerinsky and Jody Armour, former speaker of the California Assembly Antonio Villaraigosa, community activist Joe Hicks, civil rights attorney Connie Rice, Ramona Ripston of the American Civil Liberties Union, Michael Bostic of the Los Angeles Police Department, and former City Councilman Michael Woo. NPR's Warren Olney moderated the discussion.

Chemerinsky offered a somber view, saying the city still suffers from a "benign neglect" that results in poor social services, a lack of affordable housing and an unaccountable police department. "I don't think the things that gave rise to the riots have changed very much at all," he said. "If we pretend the problem is better than it is, we don't have the inspiration for change."

Armour said racial discrimination, especially against young African American and Latino men, continues to corrupt the criminal justice system and could prompt a similar uprising in the future. "We are still living in a tinder box," he said.

Several panelists, however, argued that race relations have improved. "South Los Angeles is no longer a black community," said Hicks, former head of the Los Angeles Human Rights Commission. "Neighbor to neighbor, people are getting along. We see the influence of identity politics only in the leadership."

faculty footnotes (a small selection of faculty quotes, awards and activities)

1 Erwin Chemerinsky received the 2002 Community Service Award from the Western Center on Law and Poverty. He also argued before the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on a habeas corpus petition for detainees of the war on terrorism being held at Guantanamo Bay. After a federal judge dismissed two lawsuits brought against the United States on behalf of the prisoners, Chemerinsky was interviewed by numerous media outlets. He told *The Dallas Morning News*, "It's terribly unfortunate and wrong to say that the U.S. government can hold people and they have no access to the courts." He was quoted widely by the media on a number of other topics, including the San Fernando Valley secession effort, the recent 9th Circuit decision calling into question the constitutionality of the Pledge of Allegiance, and tax exemptions for clergy members.

2 Mary Dudziak spoke about national security and individual liberties in American history at the annual 9th Circuit Judicial Conference in San Diego, where she also served on a panel examining civil liberties in crisis times with ACLU President Nadine Strossen, former CIA chief William Webster and former Secretary of State Warren Christopher. Her book, *Cold War Civil Rights*, was published in paperback this spring and continued to be favorably reviewed in a number of publications, including *American History Review*, *Human Rights Quarterly* and *Yale Journal of Law and the Humanities*.

3 Niels Frenzen won political asylum for a high-ranking official in the Iraqi Foreign Ministry who defected from the country with his family. Arguing before the Immigration and Naturalization Service office in New York, Frenzen said the official was in grave danger because of his longtime opposition to Saddam Hussein and would likely be killed if he were to return to Iraq. Frenzen's client was initially placed in protective custody by the FBI and is now living at an undisclosed location.

4 USC Law School's Post-Conviction Justice Project scored a major victory by winning parole for Cheryl Sellers, who was convicted of murder when she shot her abusive husband. Clinical Professor **Carrie Hempel** spoke about representing Sellers on CBS News, along with Nicolle Cumberland '03, who worked on the case.

Meanwhile, **Michael Brennan** was quoted in a *Los Angeles Times* story discussing the clinic's efforts to challenge the convictions of battered women serving time in California state prisons for murdering abusive husbands or partners. In partnership with the California Women's Law Center and the California Coalition for Battered Women in Prison, Post-Conviction is filing habeas corpus petitions for several women and is training pro bono attorneys to assist in the effort.

5 Karen Lash traveled to Slovakia to advise law schools on efforts to develop legal clinics as part of the Central and Eastern European Legal Initiative (CEELI) of the American Bar Association. Lash met with professors, students and lawyers throughout Slovakia. She spoke at an Open Society Foundation-sponsored conference for Slovakian clinicians and legal aid lawyers in Senec, Slovakia, regarding challenges for establishing legal clinics in transitional democracies, and she discussed externship programs at a Legal Assistance for Refugee Clinics (LARC) conference in Budapest. Lash is also working with CEELI to evaluate proposed structures for legal education, accreditation and attorney licensure in Georgia, a former republic of the Soviet Union.

6 Edward McCaffery received a joint National Science Foundation grant of \$75,000 to continue Web-based research on attitudes toward tax and other fiscal political issues with Jon Baron of the University of Pennsylvania. McCaffery published a commentary in *The Wall Street Journal* arguing that eliminating the so-called corporate income tax would make American companies more honest by removing incentives to cheat. He also discussed his new book, *Fair Not Flat: How to Make the Tax System Better and Simpler* (University of Chicago Press, 2002), with White House officials during a trip to Washington, D.C. He has been invited back to speak about tax reform with Vice President Dick Cheney, Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill and Presidential Adviser Karl Rove.

7 Media outlets across the country turned to USC law professors to make sense of growing corporate scandals. **Eric Talley** told the *Los Angeles Times* that overzealous tort reform is partly responsible for the rise in fraud cases. "The current spate of scandals is consistent with this argument

that the [Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995] overshot in terms of its permissiveness," he said. **Jean Rosenbluth**, a former federal prosecutor and the Law School's new director of lawyering skills, also gave some insight to the *Times* about tactics employed by prosecutors in the fraud case against former WorldCom executives. Meanwhile, **Christopher Stone** argued in a *Minneapolis Star Tribune* article that increased penalties for corporate crime are "window dressing," and that personal consequences such as a ruined career or a divorce might have greater impact on corporate executives tempted to mismanage their companies.

Coming and going

Jennifer Arlen, a valued and respected colleague at USC, ended her longtime tenure at the Law School to become a professor of law at New York University. **Gwynnae Byrd**, a principal consultant for the California State Legislature's joint committee on prison construction and operations, is teaching at USC this fall and advising students in the Post-Conviction Justice Project. University of Chicago Law School Professor **Elizabeth Garrett**, an expert in legislation and the legislative process, also is visiting at USC this fall and will teach Civil Procedure. **Andrei Marmor**, an expert on moral and political philosophy and an associate professor of jurisprudence at the Interdisciplinary Center in Herzlia, Israel, will teach Law, Language and Ethics as a visiting professor at USC this fall. **Clare Pastore**, a staff attorney at the Western Center on Law and Poverty, is visiting at USC Law School, teaching Civil Procedure in the fall and Administrative Law in the spring. USC's Center for Law, Economics and Organization (CLEO) welcomed several visitors: **Samuel Fraidin**, an expert on communication and division of labor in decision-making teams; **Michael Guttentag**, senior vice president at eCompanies and a co-founder of Icebox Entertainment; and **Emerson Tiller**, co-director of the Center for Business, Technology and Law at the McCombs School of Business at the University of Texas at Austin.

Pictured below, left to right: Chemerinsky, Dudziak, Frenzen, Hempel, Brennan, Lash, McCaffery, Talley, Stone





Reunion 2002

The Classes of '52, '57, '67, '72 and '77 celebrated reunions earlier this year. Top left: **Charles Thomas '77** and **Nancy Ruth Hoffman '77**; top row, second photo: **Fred Nicholas '52** and **Jack Swafford '52**; third row, first photo: **Dan Cathcart '57**, **Rickie Richley** and **Mel Richley '57**; third row, second photo: **Dolores Cordell '77** and **Nancy McClelland '77**; fourth row, first photo: **Chuck Bakaly '52** and **William McGinley '52**; fourth row, second photo: **Harriett and Steven Mandell '72** with **Cynthia Cohen**; bottom right corner: **Dennis Geiler '67** and **Peter Brown Dolan '67**.



John Argue '56
Chairman of the USC Board of Trustees, 70

John C. Argue '56, founding chairman of the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee and chairman of the USC board of trustees, died Aug. 10, of leukemia. He was 70.

Argue, who divided his time between the business and nonprofit worlds, was a retired senior partner of the Los Angeles law firm of Argue Pearson Harbison & Myers.

"John Argue's involvement at the Law School stretched over several decades and had a profound impact on the life of the Law School," said Dean Matthew L. Spitzer. "His contributions to the Law School, the university, the city of Los Angeles, and the nation as a whole, have benefited us all in innumerable ways."

"John Argue was an extraordinary individual whose dedication to the University of Southern California was limitless," echoed USC President Steven B. Sample.

Argue is widely regarded as the person responsible for bringing the 1984 Olympic Games to Los Angeles. He was chairman of the committee to bring the Games back to the city in 2012. In 1994, he was honored with the Olympic Order, the highest award given by the International Olympic Committee.

Argue earned his law degree from USC Law School in 1956, after earning his undergraduate degree from Occidental College. He was a partner for nearly three decades in the Los Angeles law firm of Argue Pearson Harbison & Myers, serving as senior partner from 1972 to 1989 and of counsel from 1990 to 1999. He retired from the practice of law on Dec. 31, 1999.

In 1998, the Los Angeles and San Francisco *Daily Journals* named Argue among the "Top 100 Most Influential Attorneys in California." He was featured in the *Los Angeles Business Journal's* "Best 50/100 Attorneys" list in 1995, 1996 and 1997. Prior to forming Argue Pearson Harbison & Myers, he served from 1960 to 1972 in the Los Angeles law firm of Flint & MacKay. From 1956 to 1958, he was a partner with his father in the firm of Argue & Argue.

A stalwart Trojan, Argue was elected to the USC board of trustees in 1984 and became chairman in 2000. He also spearheaded the extension of USC's record-breaking "Building on Excellence" campaign, which stands at more than \$1.7 billion. He was a recipient of the USC Alumni Association's Alumni Merit Award (1984) and the Asa V. Call Achievement Award, the university's highest alumni honor (1998), among other USC recognitions.

Argue was the first alumnus elected chairman of the board of trustees in two decades. His father, J. Clifford Argue, graduated from the USC Law School in 1930, and his children, Elizabeth Argue Pollon (M.A. '91) and John M. Argue ('90), are both USC alumni. Argue's sister, Emily Argue Moffatt ('57), is also an alumna. Besides his children and sister, Argue is survived by his wife Liz and their four grandchildren.

Donald E. Biederman, former director of the USC Entertainment Law Institute and a veteran entertainment executive, died Aug. 7 of cancer in Santa Monica. He was 67. Biederman spent 17 years as executive vice president and general counsel of Warner/Chappel Music Inc., the world's largest music publishing company. Before that, he was a partner in the Los Angeles law firm of Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp from 1979 to 1983. He served as vice president of legal affairs and administration for ABC Records in Los Angeles from 1977 to 1979. He began his teaching career as an instructor with UCLA Extension in 1979 and became an adjunct law professor at Southwestern University School of Law in 1983. In 2000, he became director of the National Entertainment and Media Law Institute at Southwestern. He also taught at USC Law School, in addition to directing the USC Entertainment Law Institute. He is survived by his wife, Marna; son, Jeff; daughter, Melissa Anne; and one grandson.

Ray R. Goldie '57, a one-time San Bernardino appliance store owner who opened a successful litigation practice with retired California Supreme Court Justice Marcus Kaufman '56, died July 7 of heart failure in Rancho Mirage. He was 82. Goldie was 34 years old, married and father to four children when he decided to pursue a legal education. He did not have a bachelor's degree; he was admitted to the Law School as a provisional student. He spent his first year commuting four hours a day by bus along Route 66 listening to taped class lectures. At his 1957 graduation, Goldie was in the top 10 percent of his class and was the associate editor of the *Southern California Law Review*. A year later, Goldie opened the offices of Goldie & Kaufman in San Bernardino with fellow USC law graduate, Marcus Kaufman, who later became an associate justice of the California Supreme Court. They ran a civil and criminal practice. In 1986, Goldie retired from general practice, moved his office to Palm Springs and concentrated on business transactions, estate planning, probate and trust law. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; son Ron '75; daughters, Marilyn, Deanne and Dale; and five grandchildren.

Elizabeth Marmorston Horowitz '54, founding director of the USC Law School paralegal program and a juvenile court mediator, died of cancer on July

21 in Los Angeles. She was 72. From 1969 to 1986, Horowitz served as a clinical professor of law at USC and, later, as a professor at the UCLA School of Social Welfare. The paralegal program she founded at USC in 1968 was the first in the country to be housed in a major law school. She left the Law School in 1986 to become a mediator in the Los Angeles Juvenile Court conducting hearings in abuse and neglect cases. Horowitz also was devoted to social service organizations such as Bet Tzedek, the Jewish Federation Council, the Western Center on Law and Poverty, and the Center for Law in the Public Interest. She held a B.A. from Stanford University, a J.D. from USC, and an M.S.W. from UCLA. Horowitz was married to Harold Horowitz, a professor of law and vice chancellor at UCLA who died in 2000. She is survived by her son, Adam; her daughter, Lisa Schwartz; her sisters, Norma Pizar, Lailee Bakhtiar and Ellen Wexler; and three grandchildren.

Stanley Robert Rader '63, general counsel and treasurer for the Worldwide Church of God, died July 2 of cancer in Pasadena. He was 71. During the 1970s, Rader worked closely with the founder of the Worldwide Church of God, Herbert Armstrong, in furthering the church's mission. He also established a number of church cultural centers and institutions around the world and is credited with initiating a critically acclaimed concert series at the Ambassador College auditorium in Pasadena. Rader graduated first in his USC Law School class in 1963. Declining offers for a Fulbright scholarship at Yale University and even a clerkship at the U.S. Supreme Court, he stayed at USC to teach Contracts and Introduction to Law as a lecturer and continued to develop his accounting and law practices. The Worldwide Church of God became an increasingly important client until 1969, when he stopped practicing law to work full time for the church. Rader is survived by his wife, Niki; sister Joan Klein; daughters Janis '77 and Carol; son Stephen '81; and five grandchildren.

George R. Richter '33, a founding partner of the Los Angeles firm of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton, died July 15 in La Jolla. He was 92. In 1999, Richter donated \$1 million to establish the George R. Richter Fund for the advancement of the USC Law School. In recognition of his gift, the main entrance lobby to the

school is now called the George R. Richter Commons. Richter received his A.B. from USC in 1930 and his J.D. from the Law School in 1933. After being admitted to the state bar, he became an associate at what was then Mathes & Sheppard, making both partner and name partner in less than 10 years. A specialist in labor law and banking and financial law, Richter played a major role in drafting the California Uniform Commercial Code governing all commercial transactions. In 1948, he was appointed chair of the first California State Bar Committee to study the code. He was a longtime member of the California Commission on Uniform State Laws and served as its chairman from 1956 through 1973. Richter is survived by his wife, Betty Jane; his son, Craig Richter; and his daughter, Georgann Lovejoy.

Gerald A. Sheppard '53, a founding member of Pepperdine University's Graduate School of Public Policy, died May 13, at the age of 76. Sheppard was of counsel with the Los Angeles law firm of Holley & Galen; prior to that, he was, for many years, a partner with Shield & Smith. He had served on Pepperdine University's board since 1978 and was a member of the board of visitors of Pepperdine's schools of law and business. He wrote numerous essays on the legal aspects of dentistry and was formerly a clinical assistant professor at the USC School of Dentistry, an assistant professor of jurisprudence at Loma Linda University's School of Dentistry and a lecturer at the UCLA Dental School.

Seymour P. Steinberg '32, a former entertainment attorney who represented some of the most popular figures in Hollywood, died May 16 at his home in Berkeley after a long illness. He was 93. Steinberg was a former partner in Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp's motion picture and television group. He once represented "All About Eve" producer Darryl Zanuck and "Dragnet" actor Jack Webb. Before joining Mitchell Silberberg, he worked as in-house counsel for Columbia Pictures Industries Inc. Steinberg obtained his undergraduate and law degrees from USC. He was admitted to the state bar in 1932 and worked continuously until his retirement in the mid-1970s, when he moved to Northern California. He is survived by his wife, Edith Steinberg; son, Jim Steinberg; daughter, Turiel; and three grandchildren.

Jon R. Stuhley '66, a prominent bankruptcy attorney in Orange County, died March 11 at the age of 61. Stuhley began practicing law in Santa Ana in 1968. He served as a bankruptcy trustee under bankruptcy judge Aaron K. Phelps until the advent of the U.S. Trustee System in the Central District of California in 1978, when he was appointed to the initial panel of the Santa Ana Panel of Trustees. He served as the 1978 chair of the Commercial Law and Bankruptcy Section of the Orange County Bar Association. Stuhley is survived by his wife, Norma; two sons, Michael and Craig; and two daughters, Lisa and Jennifer.

Laughlin E. Waters '46, U.S. District Court senior judge and a Republican who served as a California assemblyman, died June 3 of natural causes in Los Angeles. He was 87. A decorated World War II veteran who led a rifle company in Normandy on D-Day, Waters was twice wounded in combat before he was honorably discharged and returned to Law School at USC. After serving briefly as a deputy state attorney general, Waters was elected to the California Assembly in 1946. He left in 1953 to become a U.S. attorney for California's Central District, based in Los Angeles. He was nominated to the Central District federal bench in 1976 by President Ford, serving 10 years before gaining senior status. Known for issuing tough sentences in violent and drug-related crimes, Waters more frequently decided civil trademark infringement cases or entertainers' contract disputes. He presided over cases to revamp special education in L.A. schools and enable Venice Beach boardwalk performers and vendors to continue selling their wares. He also forbade limiting the number of flights at Los Angeles International Airport to curb noise. Survivors include his wife, Voula; his son Laughlin Jr.; and four daughters, Maura, Deirdre, Megan and Eileen.

Scholarship, technology center honor mentor's legacy



Left to right: Monica Miller Walsh, David Walsh '85, Judge Howard Turrentine '39 and Dean Matthew Spitzer '77. The Walshes helped establish a USC fund honoring Turrentine.

Former clerks to U.S. District Court Judge Howard B. Turrentine '39 have honored their mentor's legacy by creating The Honorable Howard B. Turrentine Fund at USC Law School.

Under the leadership of David M. Walsh '85, a former clerk and now partner at Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker in Los Angeles, about \$170,000 has been raised in gifts and pledges toward the fund's minimum goal of \$250,000. The endowment will provide scholarships for USC law students who either reside in San Diego County or completed their undergraduate education there. It also will establish the Howard B. Turrentine Video Center at the Law Library.

After Law School and service as a naval officer in World War II, Turrentine practiced law privately for 20 years. He was appointed to the San Diego County Superior Court in 1968 and, in 1970, to the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California.

Turrentine said he was shocked to learn about his clerks' work on the endowment. "They've all made me proud," he says. "I'm pleased as punch at what they've done."

An "OC" gathering

Nearly 50 Orange County alumni gathered in June to meet USC Law School Dean Matthew L. Spitzer and hear from two of the school's prominent Orange County graduates, U.S. District Court Judge Alicemarie Stotler '67 and 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Warren J. Ferguson '49. Held July 14 at the Fullerton home of Marjorie Fuller '74 and her husband, Earl, the event also gave alumni a chance to meet several incoming first-year students. The Law School has held a series of receptions across the country to give alumni a chance to meet Dean Spitzer and hear news of the school.

"Fore" a good cause

The 21st annual Sydney M. Irmas USC Law School Golf Tournament drew 165 alumni and friends to the Wilshire Country Club and raised more than \$120,000 for law student scholarships. A silent auction and raffle were sponsored by Hodge L. Dolle Jr. '61, International Golf of Glendale, Lyon & Lyon and the University Bookstore. Other contributors:

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Top, left to right: Richard Norman '61, Jack Trotter '62 and Sheldon Sloan '61 on the green. Below: Tournament winners Rich Reinjohn '64, Mike Barger, John Hutchings, Dixon Holston '64 and Herb Young.

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Save the date The 2003 Sydney M. Irmas Golf Tournament will be held on April 21, 2003. Contact April Gallegos at (213) 740-6143 for details.

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annual report of gifts

Law School hits record high in fund-raising efforts

The USC Law School raised \$18,340,699 during the 2001-02 fiscal year – the highest amount raised in any one-year period in the school's history. It's an achievement of which the entire Law School community should be proud, says Matthew L. Spitzer, dean of the Law School.

"Alumni and friends are responding not only to the ongoing needs of the Law School, but also to the consistent increase in the quality of our programs and students," Spitzer said. "The amount of money we raise directly affects our ability to produce top-notch programs and attract the best students and faculty. The converse is true, too; the better our students, faculty and programs, the more people want to contribute to our success. I'm thrilled to say we are doing exceptionally well on both sides of the equation."

Contributions to the school's Legion Lex Annual Fund support a range of important programs at the Law School, including scholarships, academic programs, the library and the Public Interest Law Foundation. Unrestricted gifts to the fund are used at the dean's discretion to support programs with immediate needs. Many contributions are also designated to support the Law School's endowments, which provide long-term

funding for day-to-day operation of the school or designated programs.

Among this year's major gifts was a contribution from U.S. District Court Judge Mariana Pfaelzer, who helped establish the Frank Rothman Scholarship Program in honor of her late husband, Frank Rothman, a 1951 USC law graduate (see story on Page 6). Other major gifts received this year include:

\$1,000,000 and above

- An \$8.8 million gift from the estate of the late Robert C. Packard '47 designated \$6 million to establish two trustee chairs in his name, the Robert C. Packard Endowed Trustee Chairs in Law. The remainder of the gift will support the Robert C. Packard Endowed Scholarship Fund.

- A \$1.8 million gift (subject to trust) from Edward G. Lewis '70 will establish a faculty professorship in his name, the Edward G. Lewis Professorship of Law.

- A \$1 million gift (subject to trust) from retired USC employee Robert E. Doherty will support the USC law library (see story on Page 28).

- An anonymous gift of \$1 million will support immediate needs of the Law School at the discretion of the dean.

\$500,000 to \$999,999

- The Nathan and Lilly Shapell Foundation gave \$725,000 (part of a \$1.5 million pledge) to help fund the Nathan and Lilly Shapell Endowed Chair in Law.

\$250,000 to \$499,999

- Jerol M. Sonosky and Elizabeth Stahl Sonosky, through the George H. Stahl Estate, contributed \$495,000 to the David Sonosky Memorial Scholarship Fund. The fund honors their late son, a 1979 graduate of the Law School (see story on Page 45).

- Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom contributed \$250,000 to the Frank Rothman Scholarship Program and \$5,000 to the USC Tax Institute, a continuing legal education program at USC.

- The Lincy Foundation established the Dickran Tevrizian Fund with a \$250,000 gift. The fund eventually will be converted to a faculty chair.

\$125,000 to \$249,999

- A \$200,000 gift from the Hugh and Hazel Darling Foundation will support the law library and information technology at the Law School. The late Hugh Darling was a 1927 graduate of the Law School.

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record high in fund-raising efforts, cont'd

- >>> ■ The Louise F. Vincent Trust provided \$200,000 in new support for the Louise and Bob Vincent Endowed Scholarship Fund.
- A \$150,000 gift from James H. Ackerman '48 will support critical needs of the Law School at the discretion of the dean.
- The Evalyn M. Bauer Foundation contributed \$150,000, which is to be used at the dean's discretion to support immediate needs of the Law School.

\$50,000 to \$124,999

- The George Ignatius Foundation contributed \$100,000 to the Justice Richard Amerian Scholarship Endowment.
- Thomas L. Roquemore '53 contributed \$100,000 (subject to trust) to the Dolores M. and Thomas L. Roquemore Scholarship Fund.
- The George A.V. Dunning Foundation offered \$90,169 in new support for the law library and information technology.

- The Audrey and Sydney Irmas Charitable Foundation contributed \$84,057 to the Sydney M. Irmas Professorship in Public Interest Law, Legal Ethics and Political Science, held by Erwin Chemerinsky.
- An anonymous \$84,000 gift will support scholarships.
- Larry S. Flax '67 contributed \$61,799 to the Jerry Wiley Scholarship Endowment.
- The John M. Olin Foundation contributed \$60,431 to programs of the Center for Law, Economics and Organization.
- Howard B. Turrentine '39 helped establish the Honorable Howard B. Turrentine Fund with a \$57,078 gift (see story on Page 26).
- A \$54,002 gift from Bruce E. Karatz '70 will support the Barbara and Scott Bice Scholarship Endowment.
- Edwin F. Beach '50 gave \$50,000 to the Janet Freeman Beach Memorial Endowment Fund, to be used at the discretion of the dean.

A truly committed employee

After 43 years of work at USC, Robert E. Doherty decided to retire with a grand statement: a \$1 million gift establishing a USC law library endowment.

Gifts of such magnitude from employees are rare, but Doherty was himself a rare employee. After earning an MBA at Stanford in 1957, Doherty joined USC as chief accountant in 1958. He later served as director of internal audit and executive assistant to Carl M. Franklin, law professor emeritus and former vice president of finance at the university. Among Doherty's responsibilities over the years: managing receipts from football ticket sales.

Assisting with Franklin's fund-raising activities — many of which have lately been focused on the law library — likely sparked Doherty's philanthropy, Franklin says. "He helped keep track of the money I was raising," said Franklin. "He contributed so much to this university, very quietly and without expectation of recognition or honors. He is a true worker in the vineyard."

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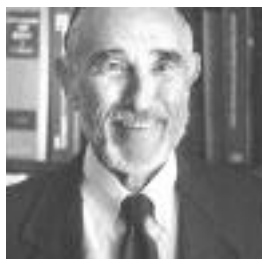
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\$500+	1	\$500
Under \$200	6	\$500
Total	17	\$15,500

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Robert S. Thompson '42: Giving back the 'natural' thing to do



Robert S. Thompson graduated from the Law School in 1942, but that year would mark only the beginning of his connection with USC. In fact, the 84-year-old alum and his wife, Betty, have made sure that their involvement with the school will endure long after they and their children pass on. The Thompson family has established a trust naming the Law School as the final beneficiary of their estate – a gift that will help support the school's programs for generations to come.

But Thompson, who served nearly a quarter of a century on the bench, including 12 years as an associate justice of the California Court of Appeal, was typically modest when he spoke about creating the endowment.

"I have a life-long connection with the Law School and we have no grandchildren, so it seemed like the natural thing to do," said Thompson, who left a successful 35-year career in private practice and public service in 1979 to join the school's faculty.

As a professor, he was known as a proponent of using law classes to address issues of professionalism in the practice of law. His scholarly work focused on civil procedure, evidence, appellate advocacy and remedies. He held the Ambassador-Armstrong Chair in Dispute Resolution Policy and, in 1984, was named the Legion Lex Professor of Law. He retired from teaching in 1990 and now serves on the Law School's board of councilors.

An avid fly fisherman and traveler, Thompson has visited such idyllic settings as Alaska's Kamchatka Peninsula and the coast of southern Mexico. He and Betty, who earned her undergraduate and Ph.D. degrees at USC, now live in La Jolla, Calif. Both of their children, William and Ann Elizabeth, are USC grads (Ann Elizabeth is a 1983 law graduate).

The Thompsons have been regular benefactors of the Law School, and in 1996, joined friends and former colleagues for the Sea Goddess cruise. Justice Thompson said he regards giving to the school as a vitally important way for him to continue participating in the life of the Law School — even as he pursues the perfect catch in retirement.

"The Law School depends upon private giving as one of its primary sources of funding," he said. "A great deal of it comes from alumni. So I'm honored to do my part."

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Audrey Irmas: An 'SC grad at heart



It doesn't take a long conversation with Audrey Irmas to know her heart is as big as the giant contemporary paintings that adorn her home. Though she's not a graduate of USC, Mrs. Irmas is one of the Law School's biggest fans and staunchest supporters. Why? "To make a difference," she says simply.

By all accounts, Audrey Irmas and her husband, the late Sydney Irmas '55, have made a difference, at USC and throughout Los Angeles. They've supported a range of organizations, including the Museum of Contemporary Art, where Mrs. Irmas is on the board of trustees; the L.A. Housing Corp., which they founded to provide transitional housing and social services to homeless families; and the United Jewish Fund, among many others.

At USC, the Irmases' contributions include an endowment to provide ongoing support for the Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF) and the Sydney M. Irmas Professorship in Public Interest Law, Legal Ethics and Political Science, held by Erwin Chemerinsky. To honor the couple's commitment to public interest at USC, PILF named its post-graduate fellowship — which provides a year's salary for student work with a public interest organization — for Mr. and Mrs. Irmas. This year, Mrs. Irmas was invited to meet the finalists for the fellowship. Connie Huang '02 proposed to work with homeless youth through Public Counsel; Nausheen Hassan '02 proposed to work with battered women through the California Women's Law Center. "Now," Mrs. Irmas asks, "how do you choose between those?" She couldn't — so she funded an extra fellowship.

The Irmases' relationship with USC began in 1954, when Mr. Irmas transferred from UCLA to USC as a second-year law student. "We had two small children at the time, and we were just broke," Mrs. Irmas recalls. "He wanted to finish his degree six months early so he could get into the workforce. He couldn't do it at UCLA, but the dean at USC said, 'Come on over.' We've always been very grateful for that."

Mr. Irmas left law school for a successful career in a variety of business ventures. He passed away in 1996 after a difficult battle with leukemia, but Mrs. Irmas decided to continue her relationship with the Law School.

"We always enjoyed our relationship with USC, and I wanted to continue doing what Syd enjoyed," she says. "I feel very blessed to have been able to support these organizations, and we've always taken great pride in the fact that we are able to do something for the community. Philanthropy is a very important part of my life."

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David Sonosky: A memorial and a legacy



David Sonosky '79

A tragic car accident ended the life of 1979 law graduate David Sonosky when he was just eight years out of law school. But his family has not let that accident end Sonosky's legacy in the law.

After his death in 1987, his family established the David Sonosky Memorial

Fund to provide scholarships for future Law School students. This summer, David's father, Jerol Sonosky, tripled the size of the endowment by selling a family beachfront property and donating the proceeds to the fund.

Selling the property to grow the endowment seemed like the right thing to do for this family with deep USC ties. Jerol Sonosky is a 1948 graduate of the university, where he also earned a master's in petroleum engineering and serves on the advisory board of the Wrigley Institute. David's late mother, Elizabeth Sonosky, earned her teaching credential from USC, and David's late uncle, George Stahl, received his undergraduate degree in biochemistry and a master's in education administration from USC. David studied economics at USC before continuing on to the Law School. He later worked as an attorney for Shell Oil Co. in Bakersfield.

"Dave thoroughly enjoyed the practice of law," Jerol Sonosky says. "We want others to benefit from the experience and the challenge of going through law school."

Sonosky hopes scholarship recipients will reflect his son's legacy. A student strongly involved in social service, David was president of the Sigma Phi Epsilon social fraternity at USC and received the USC Outstanding Senior Award in 1976.

"One of the things Dave always looked for in people was sincerity," his father says. "He had little patience with people who valued themselves more than others. He would have approved of helping other students, especially those who fit his model of showing integrity and sincerity."

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In seventh grade, a friend and I invented a new religion. We rejected miracles and the supernatural — anything that couldn't be confirmed by observation and the sciences. Friends and classmates knew about our ideas because they could read the “scriptures” we wrote to explain our reasons for questioning the existence of God. But even students who didn't read our manifesto knew that we were up to something. Every morning, when everyone else recited the Pledge of Allegiance, my friend and I remained silent. In this protest against the words “under God,” we performed the daily worship service of our little faith.

Later that year, as a regular assignment, each of us had to memorize Lincoln's Gettysburg Address and recite it in class. I liked this assignment very much — Lincoln's words made me think hard and feel deeply. Speaking these words out loud in class made me feel a part of something honorable and mysterious. A nation born to the principle that “all men are created equal.” A nation born again, rising up from the consecrated graves. A gaunt and martyred man, offering a blessing upon the dead and inviting the living to pledge themselves to a better republic. I felt the shivers then, and still do today, speaking out loud: “We here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain — that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom — and that government of the people, by the people, and for the people, shall not perish from the earth.”

We highly resolve — we pledge. Our “nation, under God” — these three words of the Pledge of Allegiance are Lincoln's words. “One nation, under God, indivisible.” Lincoln insisted from the start that the Union could not be broken — it was indivisible, and the Union dead had made it so. The Republic could survive only undivided, and only if the principle that “all men are created equal” were more fully realized. “One nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals — in a decision announced shortly before Independence Day — held that Congress violated the

Establishment Clause when it amended the Pledge of Allegiance to include the words “under God.” Though the Court offered good readings of Supreme Court case law in support of its decision, I am in doubt. Does Congress violate our basic law, or honor it, when Congress speaks in Lincoln's voice? Lincoln's words at Gettysburg renewed the meaning and the honor of the words of July 4, 1776. Might the Pledge of Allegiance call us again, call us better, call us to be better?

This Fourth of July, I read the texts of freedom as an inheritance that deepens the meaning of my little commitments. In seventh grade, I saw no connection between “under God” in the Pledge of Allegiance and “under God” in the Gettysburg Address. I refused to speak the one, but I embraced the other. Today I speak them both. My thought returns to classrooms of my youth. I think back on what we said together, and refused to say together, in a younger day. Childhood friend, co-religionist and keeper of my adolescent conscience — have I kept faith with you, and you with me?

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