



# DUKE LAW ADVOCATE

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## the VOLUNTEER

### K. Morgan Varner III '66

IT WAS EASY TO SPOT Morgan Varner's law school classmates at their 45th reunion last April: Many of them were sporting "Duke blue" neckties or scarves emblazoned with Duke Law shields laid out in a criss-cross pattern and the embroidered legend, "The Great Class of 1966."

"I thought we ought to have a symbol of our class pride and our class *esprit de corps*," Varner says of his gift to his classmates. "I think ours is a really amazing class, but we're scattered. About the only time we get to see one another is at reunions." A partner at Stites Harbison in Atlanta, Varner reached out to his classmates in advance of their reunion, both to encourage their attendance and as chair of their Class Gift Committee; their gifts and pledges to the Annual Fund totaled \$299,000 — a record for a 45th reunion year — and \$837,000 to all Duke Law funds.

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Morgan Varner presented a Class of '66 tie to Duke President Richard Brodhead at the Barrister Donor Society reception in April.

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## Volunteers make a difference

Among the most energizing and rewarding parts of my life since graduating 33 years ago has been volunteering at Duke Law School. There really is no better way to stay young at heart than remaining involved with a school at which you thoroughly enjoyed the experience. And virtually every Duke Law graduate I know loved their experience, the people they interacted with, and the doors the Law School opened.

Your knowledge, expertise, and position in your community are tremendous assets that can benefit the Duke Law community. There are so many ways you can help — whether you are a recent graduate looking to build upon connections made as a student or a seasoned alumnus seeking new ways to continue your relationship with Duke. You can enrich your life and career by building a relationship with Duke Law School — and connecting with a global community of more than 9,000 alumni who



work in every area of practice, the judiciary, business, government, and civil society. One of the most rewarding aspects of my law practice is engaging with many other Duke alumni as co-counsel, clients, or judges across the country and around the globe.

Even if your ability to volunteer may be limited by family and work obligations and local commitments, a little time can go a long way towards strengthening the school and providing you with invaluable opportunities to engage and serve.

There are countless ways to engage: attending reunions and regional events; exchanging ideas about legal issues and practice trends with the faculty in your practice area; providing summer internship opportunities to students; interviewing and hiring graduates and summer associates; serving as a mentor to current students and recent graduates; coaching a moot court team or judging a moot court competition; submitting course ideas to the dean; promoting student clerkships with your local judiciary; joining your local alumni club; returning to Duke to speak with students about your career; becoming a class agent; and certainly supporting the Law School's efforts with an annual philanthropic contribution of any amount. The school will benefit from and appreciate gifts of any size; they are a way of acknowledging that, yes, Duke Law School has done so much for us.

I know you'll find your participation to be mutually beneficial. By reconnecting, you avail yourself of an amazing professional and personal network. Even though you may have left the Law School years ago, it's never too late to make an impact.

I invite you to join me in making a difference. I can assure you that whatever time or treasure you are able to give, you will gain much more back in how you feel, who you meet and reconnect with, and what you are able to accomplish for Duke. Volunteering makes a difference — for Duke Law School but also for ourselves.

To discuss how you can make a difference, please contact Anna Walker in the school's Alumni & Development Office at (919) 613-7214 or email [walker@law.duke.edu](mailto:walker@law.duke.edu).

Sincerely,

David W. Ichel '78  
Chairman, Duke Law Board of Visitors

David is a partner practicing complex commercial litigation at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett in New York. Prior to being named chair of the Law School's Board of Visitors in 2009, he served as co-chair of the Law School's Building Campaign Committee, was a member of several class reunion committees, and served on the Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. He is also past chair of the New York Metropolitan Law Alumni Association, teaches a Complex Civil Litigation course at Duke Law, and interviews students for positions at his firm.

## New members of the Board of Visitors

Cliff R. Adler '82  
Scott A. Arenare '89  
J. Porter Durham '85, T'83  
Thomas W. Giegerich '80  
Judge Amy D. Hogue '79, T'74  
Nora M. Jordan '83  
David A. Lamond '06, T'97  
Alan Mansfield '78  
Robert D. (Bo) Phillips '78  
Judge Lee H. Rosenthal  
Cheryl J. Scarboro '89  
Edward F. (Teddy) Schwarzman '06

## New members of the Law Alumni Association

Renee E. Becnel '90, T'86  
Landis C. Best '92  
David B. Chaffin '83  
Thomas E. Dunn '92  
Krista M. Enns '99, G'99  
Nita Farahany '04, G'04, G'06  
Angelica T. Gallagher '97  
Sylvia F. James '96  
Glenn E. (Bo) Ketner III '06, T'96  
Lynn Halpern Lederman '93  
Allen Nelson '89 T'86,

## New members of LAA, New Lawyers Division

Madison A. Jones '11  
Kesav K. Mohan '09, T'04  
Austin J. Sandler '11



**Anna Walker** joined the Alumni & Development Office as director of Alumni & Constituent Programs in June, moving to the Law School from the Duke University Alumni Association where she was a special programs coordinator. A

graduate of the University of Richmond School of Law who also has experience in law practice, Anna is facilitating opportunities for all members of our community to connect and engage with one another — and with Duke Law — intellectually, professionally, and socially. You can reach her at [walker@law.duke.edu](mailto:walker@law.duke.edu).

## FY11 GIVING IN REVIEW

### New pledges:

**\$10,683,023**

### Cash gifts:

**\$6,760,323**

### Cash gift by source

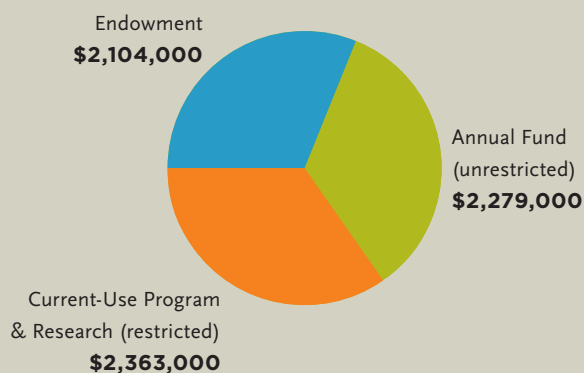
(figures rounded)

- « Alumni **\$3,919,000** (58%)
- « Parents **\$489,000** (7%)
- « Friends **\$199,000** (3%)
- « Foundations **\$1,355,000** (20%)
- « Corporations **\$539,000** (8%)
- « Other **\$259,000** (4%)

### Duke Law School Annual Fund



### Funds supported by your gifts



### Class of 2011 Gift Campaign

Members of the Class of 2011 recognize the important role alumni donations play in their ability to receive a world-class legal education. In June, the class came together to donate \$107,000 to the Law School as a way of saying "thank you" for a wonderful educational experience and a bright professional future. Several generous parents contributed \$30,000 as a matching gift challenge, which pushed the overall gift from the class to \$137,000.

### Join the Barrister Donor Society

The 2012 fiscal year is underway. It's time for you to join the other 716 alumni and friends who made donations to the Law School at the Barrister Donor Society level last year. Barrister Donor Society giving accounts for 71 percent of total giving to the Annual Fund. An annual commitment of \$2,500 ensures your membership in this prestigious giving society; recent graduates (of five years out or less) and those working in nonprofit and public sector positions may qualify for Barrister Donor Society membership with a \$1,000 annual gift. For more information or to make a gift, visit <http://www.law.duke.edu/alumni/giving/index>.



# Hughes gift establishes endowed chair

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The couple's gift to establish the Jeffrey and Bettysue Hughes Professorship is being matched by funds from The Stanley A. Star Matching Gift Fund (the "Star Challenge Fund"). The combined endowment will further Dean David F. Levi's goal of adding leading scholars to the faculty.

Jeff Hughes is succinct in explaining why he and his wife made their gift. "It's easy. David asked and the ability to maximize our gift using Stanley's challenge fund was appealing," he said.

Hughes, vice chairman of The Cypress Group, said that he and his wife share Levi's interest in motivating other alumni to take advantage of maximizing their gifts through the Star Challenge Fund. "David very much wants to get this done, and I'm glad to help him."

"Jeff and Bettysue Hughes understand that what makes Duke Law School one of the great law schools in the world is the strength of its faculty," said Levi. "Their gift will help us maintain and deepen this remarkable group of scholars and teachers in the years to come. The Hughes' leadership, and that of the Stars, helps us to continue making a difference to the legal profession, our society, our understanding of law, and our students. It is wonderful to have this generous and forward looking gift as we try to reach our full potential as a still young institution of higher learning."

Jeff Hughes practiced at Simpson Thacher & Bartlett after his Duke Law graduation. He joined Lehman Brothers in 1968 and became a partner in 1976. He launched the firm's private-financing department, led early leveraged buyout financings, and had senior investment-banking coverage responsibilities for industrial, energy, and consumer-product companies. A member of Lehman Brothers' investment committee, he was head of the financial institutions group. He helped found The Cypress Group, a private equity firm, in 1994.

Bettysue Cameron Hughes graduated from the Duke Women's College in 1965. She taught in the private schools of New York City before retiring to raise two sons. She has continued her involvement in Early Childhood Development through various volunteer activities.

The Hughes' gift to endow a chair in law is the latest in the couple's long history of philanthropy and service to Duke Law School. They are members of the Lantý L. Smith Society, which recognizes alumni and friends whose cumulative support of the Law School is \$1 million or more.

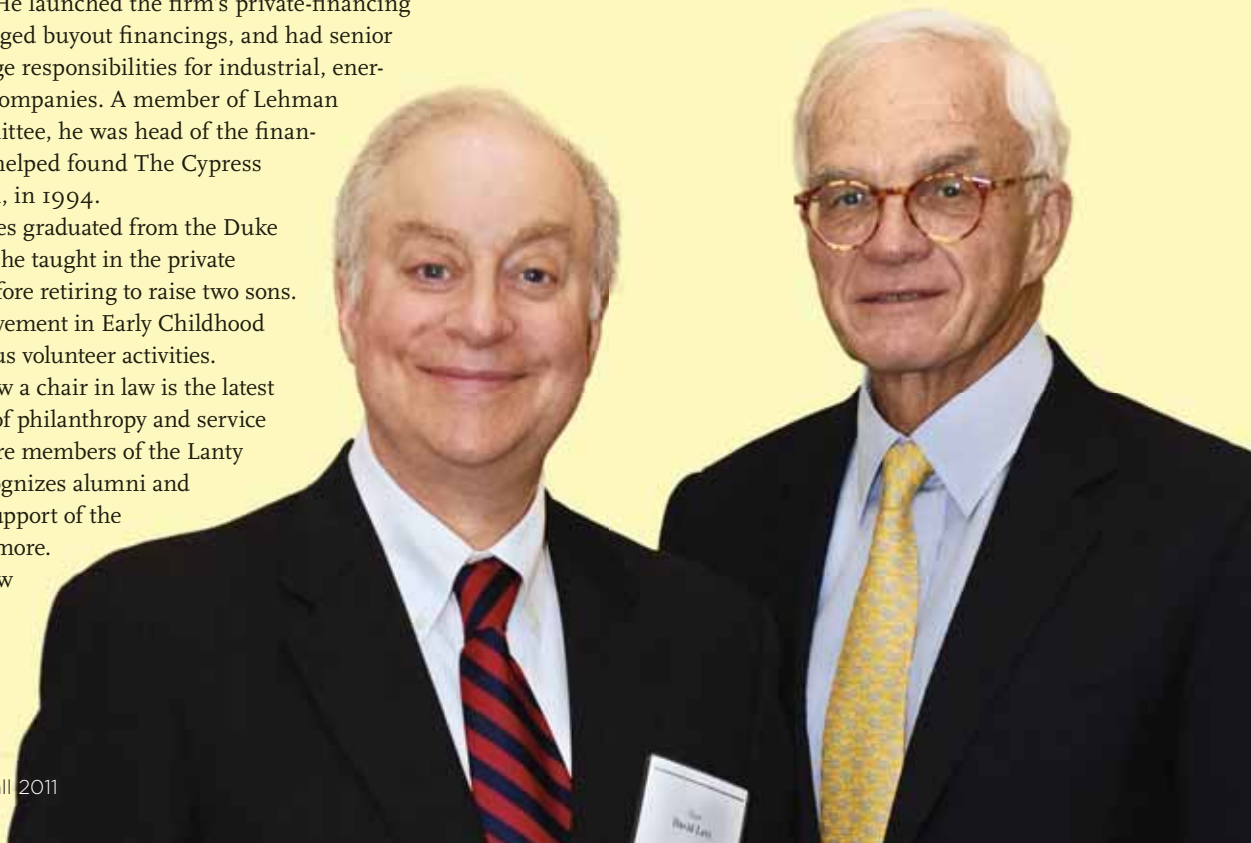
Jeff, a life member of the Law School's Board of Visitors

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and a past chairman of the Global Capital Markets Center, served as chair of the Campaign for Duke Law School in the late 1990s. He received the Law School's Charles S. Rhyne Award in 2010 in recognition of his career achievements, as well as his commitment to education, professionalism, and public service in New York and elsewhere.

The Star Challenge Fund was established in late-2010 by Stanley A. Star '61 and Elizabeth Star as the centerpiece of a matching gift initiative designed to inspire alumni and friends to establish four new faculty positions at the Law School.

The Law School's associate dean for Alumni & Development, Jeff Coates, said, "The impact of providing gifts to establish faculty positions is transformative. We are deeply appreciative of the Hughes' and Stars' generosity. They have come together to create something that will benefit our Law School's faculty and students for decades to come." ♡



DEAN DAVID F. LEVI PRESENTED JEFF HUGHES WITH THE LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION'S CHARLES S. RHYNE AWARD AT REUNION 2010.

# More than 100 public service student fellowships awarded in 2011

**S**PEAKING WITH SURVIVORS OF A BRUTAL Cambodian communist regime about the atrocities they had experienced, Tatiana Sainati '13 knew her work was making a difference.

Sainati completed an internship this summer as a legal associate with the Documentation Center of Cambodia, sponsored by the Law School's Steckley-Weitzel Fellowship and the Public Interest Law Foundation (PILF).

"I spoke with them about the meaning of justice and what they hoped to see happen at the Extraordinary Chambers in the Courts of Cambodia in order to feel that justice had been meted out to those responsible for the Khmer Rouge's atrocities," Sainati said. "What was striking to me was the faith that both had in the work of the court — their belief that the legal system, which had been totally shattered and was still being rebuilt, with strong support from the international community and the U.N., could deliver justice."

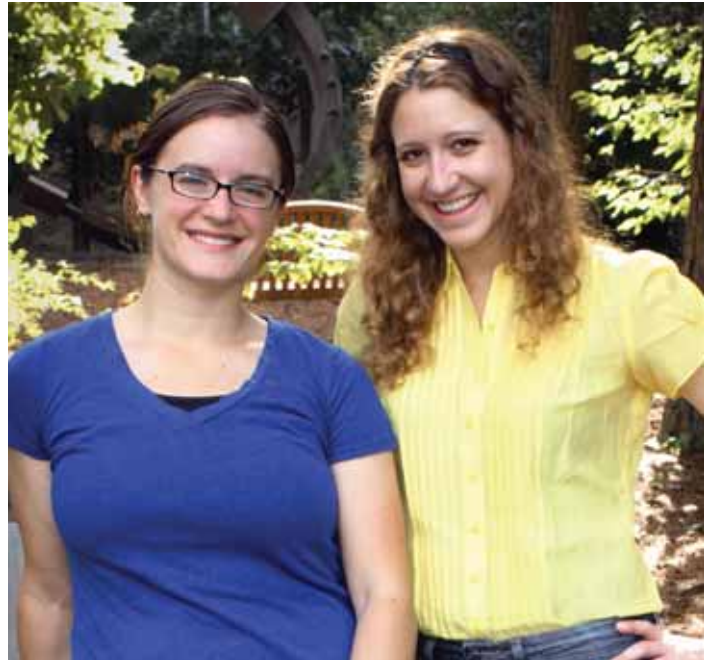
Thanks in large part to the generous support of alumni and friends, 101 public interest employment fellowships were awarded to Duke Law Students in 2011.

"Many summer internship opportunities in public interest law are low-paid or unpaid, and so students rely on the support of PILF, donor-sponsored fellowships, and Dean's Summer Service Grants in order to take advantage of the significant opportunities afforded by public interest law summer internships," said Kim Bart '02, assistant dean of Public Interest and Pro Bono. "The Law School's summer-funding programs provide a means for students to engage in meaningful public interest law work to expand their skills and gain invaluable law practice experience, while also serving their communities through public service."

The work that Haley Warden '13 did as an intern with the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network in Washington, D.C., hit particularly close to home. Her partner is a United States Air Force veteran who was affected by "Don't Ask, Don't Tell."

"Issues of equality in the military were something I was very aware of on a personal level," said Warden, who was honored as a "Summer Stand-out" in Equal Justice Works' Summer Corps program.

Warden spent much of her summer researching the benefits available to families of gay and lesbian service members and compiling a summary of benefits and how they can be accessed. She



Haley Warden '13, left, and Tatiana Sainati '13 were supported by Duke Law fellowships as they engaged in summer service work.

also worked with clients who has been discharged from the military under "Don't Ask, Don't Tell."

"It was really fulfilling and a fantastic opportunity," said Warden, whose internship was sponsored by the Burdman Fellowship endowment and PILF. "I'm hoping eventually to work at a nonprofit or at a firm with strong emphasis in pro bono work and use my experience as training ground."

Mark Fishman '78 is convinced that his ongoing support of the Dean's Summer Service Grant Program is money well spent.

"We have a responsibility to give back to our communities and those less fortunate," says Fishman, a life member of the Board of Visitors. "I commend students who are willing to spend their summers in pursuit of that goal. We need to see to it that they receive compensation for that effort that benefits us all." ▮

### Thank you.

Support for student summer fellowships came from the following sources in 2011:

<b>Alumni and friends</b>	<b>\$235,000</b>
<b>Student-raised funds</b>	<b>\$ 55,000</b>

### Get involved.

Supporting summer fellowships:

<b>Public Service Fellowships:</b>	<b>Dean's Summer Service Grant Program:</b>
<b>\$250,000 endowment or a current use gift</b>	<b>\$250,000 endowment or any current use gift</b>

# SUPPORTING THE ANNUAL FUND

## VARNER

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“Morgan is one of the most dedicated volunteers with whom I have ever worked,” says Kate Buchanan, assistant dean for Alumni & Development. “His love for Duke Law runs very deep, but what makes him especially effective is his ability to spread that enthusiasm to others. He is a model volunteer: He attends meetings, makes valuable contributions to the discussion, and supports the school in any and every way he possibly can.”

Varner has never missed a meeting of the Duke Law Board of Visitors or its Development Committee over his six-year term of membership, Buchanan notes, and he is a regular attendee and host of Duke and Duke Law gatherings in the Atlanta area. He and his wife, Chilton, a partner at King & Spalding, have recently accepted an appointment to the Leadership Gifts Committee for Duke University.

As a Princeton undergrad, Varner was lured to Duke Law — and away from a northeastern law school — by Dean Elvin “Jack” Latty during one of the dean’s many recruiting stops. An Alabama native who always planned to practice in the South, Varner says he made the right decision.

“Dean Latty recruited a great cross section of people from all different parts of the country and from all different sizes of schools. He put us all in the same pot and let us blend,” says Varner. “Then he guided and molded us into people who could think like lawyers. I think it gives you pride to have gone through all that with people that you came to admire and respect. And the qualities of those people — the qualities of people who were not like you — that was the difference that helped us expand our horizons.”

Varner, who spent four years as an Army artillery commander stationed near Germany’s border with Czechoslovakia following his Duke Law graduation, launched his own Atlanta firm very early in his career. He and his partners quickly found clients in the city’s burgeoning development sector and built expertise in structuring limited partnership agreements. Their multi-year representation of a large Dallas-based general contracting firm cemented their specialty in construction law and spurred the expansion of their firm.

The firm broadened its range of services through a 1999 merger with Kentucky-based Stites Harbison, which now has about 240 lawyers in offices across the Southeast. Varner is a member of the firm’s construction services group and an adjunct member of its complex litigation and corporate services group. In addition to his broad transactional and business dispute resolution practice, he handles business succession and estate planning for his clients.

“I would never choose a profession other than law,” says Varner. “It lets you do so much. If you are competitive you can get to the courtroom or you can negotiate. Ideally it’s a win-win, if everybody is doing it right.”

Varner sees Duke Law School as a clear winner — “a terrific law school” — challenged only by its relatively small endowment, which he is determined to build. Keeping in touch with alumni is key to that goal, he says.

“The community is really the most important asset that a relatively young university like Duke has, and it’s growing. So we’ve got to keep in touch with our alumni and keep them in touch with the Law School. That’s what’s going to build our ‘war chest,’ so to speak, up to the proper level.” ♡

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## Supporting the Annual Fund

MORGAN VARNER ’66 AND JOHN KNIGHT ’83 are steadfast and significant supporters of the Duke Law Annual Fund.

Annual Fund support is critically important to Duke Law School in every respect — to the pursuit of its academic mission of teaching and scholarship, to career advising for students, for ongoing outreach to the alumni community, and for day-to-day operations.

“It takes \$20 of endowment support to generate every dollar of income represented by current-use giving,” notes Jeff Coates, associate dean for Alumni & Development. “In the last fiscal year, the Annual Fund secured \$2,279,000. To match that amount of income for the Law School’s faculty, students, and programs, we would need to secure more than \$45.5 million in endowment funds. The importance of the Annual Fund cannot be overstated, and we are grateful to John and Morgan, our Barrister Society donors, and all of our other Annual Fund supporters.”

## Annual Fund vs. Endowment

\$1,000 = \$20,000  
\$5,000 = \$100,000  
\$10,000 = \$200,000  
\$50,000 = \$1,000,000  
\$100,000 = \$2,000,000

**Current-use giving through the Annual Fund is critically important because it takes 20 times that amount of endowment support to generate the same amount of income.**



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## John R. Knight '83

**F**OR JOHN KNIGHT, supporting the Duke Law Annual Fund transcends just supporting the Law School.

"Of course, funding is necessary for excellence in higher education," he says. "But when alumni give back to Duke Law, they support an educational process that helps sustain and renew the rule of law in a society. In this sense, giving is about something even larger than Duke and is a way of supporting the rule of law as an element of a good society. That is something that most of us believe in."

A member of the Law School's Board of Visitors, Knight has had a chance to observe various forms of societal order in the course of a diverse career that has literally taken him halfway around the world, most recently to Bahrain. Knight is chief operating officer for Mumtalakat Holding Company, the investment arm for the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Knight admits his professional journey to Bahrain did not originate from "well-formed goals and aspirations" as an entering law student. "I did, though, have an open mind, a fair amount of curiosity, and a willingness to try new things. And an understanding that law constitutes part of the framework by which society moves forward."

He gained exposure to Islamic traditions while clerking for the Supreme Court of Malaysia as a Henry Luce Scholar. "Malaysia was one of the Asian tigers at the time, so I had my first experience with an emerging market there," he explains. "And though Malaysia operates under a common law system, I had the chance to study Islamic law while there."

Knight developed crisis management and sovereign debt experience from stints with Shearman & Sterling, where he worked on the restructuring of the Mexican sovereign debt, and JPMorgan Chase & Co., where he was a senior member of the team that restructured the Indonesian sovereign debt during the last Asian financial crisis. He served in various legal and management positions while with JPMorgan Chase, landing eventually in Singapore as the chief operating officer for South and Southeast Asia.

In each position, he relied upon his sound legal education. "A rigorous legal education gives people the confidence that they can step into difficult situations and take on challenges even when there are unknowns," says Knight. "If you have the proper training, it's the methodology and the general problem-solving skills that allow you to work through the unknowns. Certainly I got that at Duke."

In Singapore, Knight settled in with a rewarding and engaging community, participated in numerous philanthropic organizations and, in 2007, joined The Rohatyn Group, an emerging markets investment firm. "I was comfortable," he says. "Then along came this opportunity to help build an investment firm for the Kingdom of Bahrain. The chance to build something from the ground up was simply too attractive to pass up."

He describes his time in Bahrain as being both challenging and invigorating. "These are a culturally very rich people, very diverse,



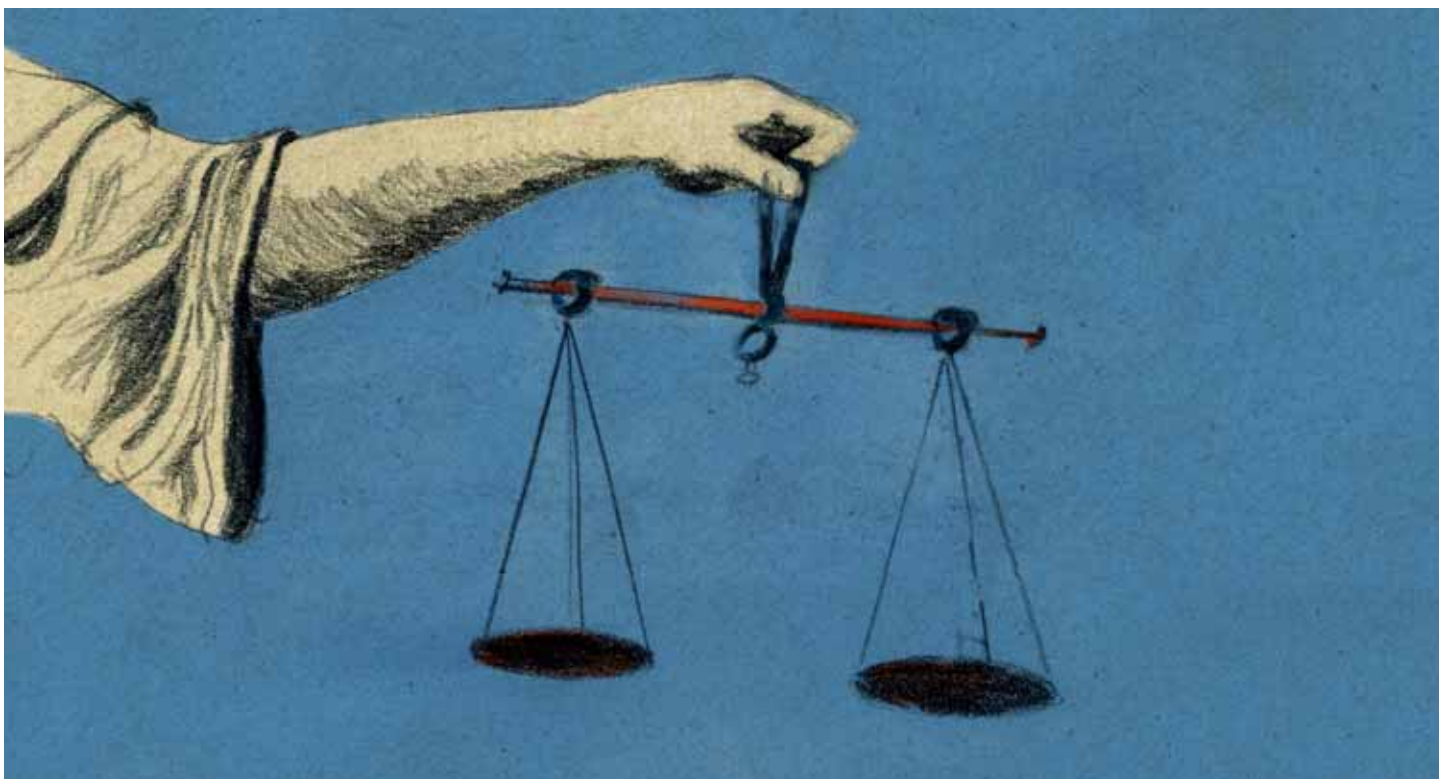
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friendly, and gracious to outsiders who want to come in and help,” Knight says. But they also have reminded him of the limits to legal reasoning and what an adviser can do. “Be a good advocate, but understand that local problems should be solved locally, by the owners of those problems,” he suggests. “Purely imported solutions aren’t always solutions that are sustained.”

Knight’s education is ongoing, as he meets and connects with alumni around the world and engages with students in Durham. While at Shearman & Sterling, he interviewed Duke Law students. At JP Morgan Singapore, he had Duke student interns. More recently, Knight has helped Duke students seeking placements in the Middle East.

During the political upheaval in Bahrain last spring, he was delighted to hear from a fellow alumnus in the region, Mohammed Al-Sheaibi LLM ’90, SJD ’93, who called to check in on Knight’s safety. “I’d met Mohammed, who is the general counsel for the Central Bank in Saudi Arabia, at a Duke alumni event in Munich,” Knight says. “His gesture says something about the Duke Law connection and also about a certain civility in this region.

“I’ve just thoroughly enjoyed staying in touch with students and alumni and I’m still learning from some very interesting, well-educated people.” ♡



# Center for Judicial Studies launched

**New center focuses on research, education — including LLM — for judges**

**D**UKE LAW SCHOOL HAS established a new Center for Judicial Studies and a master's degree in that subject to address a need for advanced educational opportunities for judges and to support scholarly research on judicial institutions and judicial decision-making.

The center takes advantage of the strength of the Duke Law faculty in judicial studies as well as empirical studies, the study of institutions, international and comparative law, public law, legal strategy, and law and economics. The center will sponsor conferences, symposia, educational programs, and publications on a range of topics relating to judging and the judiciary, and will draw faculty from other schools and departments at Duke University as well as distinguished visiting instructors from other institutions to teach and participate in programs and events.

Developed in close consultation with Dean David F. Levi, who served as Chief United States District Judge for the Eastern

District of California prior to his appointment as dean in 2007, the center also aims to bring judges and scholars together to strengthen relationships and collaborate on research efforts that will benefit the legal profession as a whole.

A core component of the center is a new master's program in judicial studies, which was launched with a luncheon for North Carolina state and federal judges on Sept. 14. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Samuel A. Alito offered remarks at the event and has signed on to teach a short course on the U.S. Supreme Court and the Constitution in the program's first term.

The admissions process is currently underway for the inaugural class of 10 to 15 judges, who will enter in the summer of 2012. The program will examine the history, institutions, and processes that shape the judiciary and affect judicial decision-making. Program directors aim to admit several judges from foreign countries to facilitate comparative study of a variety of judicial systems.

"As a former judge who is now part of a great academic law school, I see tremendous benefits in bringing together thoughtful judges and scholars to study judicial institutions in the light of academic research considered through the lens of day-to-day experience," said Levi. "Whether it is judicial independence, efficiency, bias, the selection process for judges, the use of judges or juries to decide certain cases, the use of specialized courts, or the attainment of justice — these are topics of great national and international interest. They ultimately address a society's confidence in its dispute resolution procedures as well as its commitment to certain values."

The center is directed by Jack Knight, Duke's Frederic Cleaveland Professor of Law and Political Science and a renowned expert in the study of judicial institutions, and Mitu Gulati, a professor of law who is widely recognized for his expertise and innovative research on the measurement of judicial behavior.



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— Judge William H. Pauley III '77, United States District Court for the Southern District of New York



L-R: Professors Jack Knight and Mitu Gulati are co-directors of the center.

### Supporting research and education

The center is focusing on two core areas of programming: scholarly study of the judiciary and educational programs for judges. As an incubator for innovative scholarly research on the judiciary, the center will host academic conferences on topics related to judging and judicial institutional design that build upon the success of earlier Duke Law scholarship and conferences that brought together scholars and judges to discuss current research on the judiciary and to develop ideas for new research.

The center also will fund graduate fellows and visiting scholars who undertake original research projects with special relevance to the judiciary. An online journal is planned to disseminate research on the judiciary, report on conference proceedings, and provide a forum for discussion and comment.

The master's degree in judicial studies is the only graduate degree program devoted to the education of judges at a major U.S. law school. Offered over two intensive four-to-six week sessions in two summers, the 22-credit program aims to help judges better understand the institution of the judiciary, judicial systems around the world, and current research on judicial decision-making.

“This program allows judges to contribute to and learn from a growing body of work on judicial institutions, and it permits scholars to benefit from the analysis of their ideas and research by experienced and self-critical judges,” said Levi. “Judges

who have a better understanding of how judicial systems operate and what the consequences of judicial behavior are will be in position to be better judges and better court administrators.”

In addition to multiple electives, core courses include Empirical Research Methods, Statutory and Constitutional Interpretation, Comparative Courts, Legal and Judicial Institutions, and Judicial Writing. All classes are taught by top Duke Law scholars and visitors.

“This program offers the chance to examine the performance of our judicial institutions and reflect on the judicial decision-making process,” said Judge William H. Pauley III '77, a United States district judge in the Southern District of New York and a senior member of the Duke Law Board of Visitors. “As a trial judge in the trenches, I believe this is a great way to foster interaction between the judiciary and the scholars who study it.”

For judges whose court dockets may not allow for a full eight weeks in residence, Duke is offering a certificate in

judicial studies for four weeks of course participation in the master's degree program. Shorter, more targeted, continuing education programs also will be offered, including seminars on topics of rapid legal change or areas that require a high degree of specialized knowledge such as international law, human rights law, global financial markets and regulation, and international arbitration.

“Duke's new Center for Judicial Studies will play a key role in maintaining the competence, integrity, and independence of judiciaries, which are essential in democratic societies,” said Judge Anthony Scirica of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. A former chief judge for the Third Circuit, he also is a member of the Duke Law Board of Visitors. “The center will contribute to the rule of law worldwide, as judges from many countries will participate in the course of study. By fostering dialogue between judges and law professors, the center will also build important bridges between the judiciary and the academy.” ♡

### Get involved:

The Duke Law Center for Judicial Studies has received early seed funding from several donors and foundations. The Law School needs to secure \$400,000 per year to grow and expand this program to its full potential. To contribute, please contact Associate Dean Jeff Coates at (919) 613-7175 or [coates@law.duke.edu](mailto:coates@law.duke.edu).



## Duke Law Uncorked!

Napa Valley, California,

June 16-18, 2011

Sixty-six alumni and friends gathered in Yountville, Calif., for a retreat, combining educational sessions with fellowship and, of course, wine tasting.

## Alumni Dinner

Hong Kong, July 14, 2011

Alumni joined Professors Donald Horowitz and David Lange, Associate Dean Judy Horowitz and Assistant Dean Melanie Dunshee for dinner and Duke Law news. The dinner was organized by Desiree Sumilang LLM '01. Back row, L-R: Gary Chen LLM '06, SJD candidate Haochen Sun, Iman Roy LLM '07, Wang Yi, Jeff Zhang '05, former exchange student Eva Yu, Dian Shah LLM '09, Xin Dai LLM '09, Rita Pang '99, and Jeremy Entwisle '04.



## International Alumni Happy Hour

Washington, D.C., May 5, 2011

Twenty-three international alumni and friends met for an informal get-together at Sette Osteria. Associate Dean Judy Horowitz, Assistant Dean Jennifer Maher '83 and Marcella Harshbarger JD/LLM '02 co-hosted the event.



## Alumni Reception

Houston, April 1, 2011

Duke Law and T. William Porter '66 (pictured) hosted a reception with Professor Ernest A. Young at Porter & Hedges in Houston. Young, the Alston & Bird Professor of Law, presented "A Federalism Renaissance: Public Disputes Concerning Healthcare, Immigration, Gay Marriage, and State Debt."



# Forging memories on the playing field



Who Cares? We do. Can you help us identify the students in this team photo from 1979 or 1980? Please send your guesses to [presma@law.duke.edu](mailto:presma@law.duke.edu).

**F**OR MANY ALUMNI, lasting Duke Law memories were formed in the heat of competition — on athletic fields, basketball courts, and in bowling alleys.

More than 30 years later, **Steve Spolar '79** is still proud of his Duke Law softball team, the “Panama Reds.”

“We didn’t lose a game in three years,” Spolar said of their time playing the all-university level. “And we were just a bunch of guys that came together.”

The Panama Reds won the Law School league championship all three years that Spolar was on the team and enjoyed a good-natured rivalry with their chief opponent at the school, “Bullock’s Puppies.” During Spolar’s third year, some friends put together a coed team that won the all-university division.

“It was just a lot of fun. We came together with a lot of former athletes who were really very good,” Spolar said. “The biggest thing is it was just good guys. We were very competitive. We needed something to be competitive about and that was just as good as it got with the demands of law school.”

Spolar and his friends also left behind a legacy that apparently remained seared in the minds of their competition. He recalls meeting sports writer John Feinstein at a Duke alumni event in the mid-1980s. “He walked over and said, ‘You were that damn rover on that Panama Reds team we could never beat!’” Spolar said. “I had no idea!”



**John Schohl '83** knew the first time he walked on to the intramural basketball court as a 1L that he was in a little over his head.

“My first memory was of walking along the baseline just as another player was warming up and did a reverse slam dunk,” he recalls. “I thought to myself, ‘What have I gotten myself into?’”

Still, Schohl fondly recalls his days playing on Duke Law’s “B team.”

“I played intramural basketball in college, so when I went to law school I decided I’d love to do it at Duke. I signed up for the Law School team and all the first years were put together as a B team,” he said. “I found out why [the others] were on the A team. A lot of them were former college basketball players for Princeton, UCLA, or NC State.”

But it was all in the name of friendly competition, he said, with the goal of playing in the finals in Cameron Indoor Stadium.



The Legal Eagles, 1962\*

“We had a great time. We became friends and made it all the way to the semi-finals of the graduate division. We played the Law School A team and they destroyed us. It’s horrible — I always remember the losses. I remember being so close but so far from Cameron. That was the carrot.”



**Sarah Schott '00** credits her classmate **Jeremy Veit** for building a softball team — and some lasting relationships — during their first week of at Duke Law.

“He really felt like we should have this social aspect to our law school experience,” she said.

It was exactly what they needed, even when the games became “highly charged,” she added. “It was much more an experience of banter and social bonding than it was a sporting event. It was a place where people could have some fun, blow off some steam.”

As it happened, some team members found lifelong partnerships on the diamond. Schott and her husband, **Brian King '00**, who celebrated their 10th anniversary this year, met through the team, as did Veit and his wife, **Julie Ottoboni '00**. “None of us were dating when we started playing softball,” she said.

Today, Schott and her former teammates keep in touch through an email group.

“When someone has a baby or gets a new job we send a note and support each other,” she said.

Schott said of all her Duke Law memories, the softball ones are perhaps her fondest. “The thing that made for a fun, warm and fuzzy kind of feeling — that’s all anchored in softball.”



**Do you have a memory of playing sports at Duke Law?**

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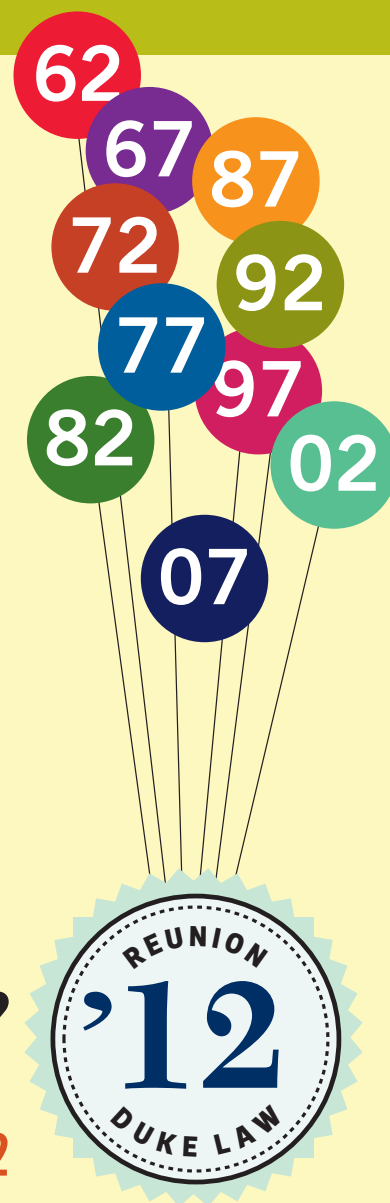
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