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STANLEY AND ELIZABETH STAR HOPE TO INSPIRE ADDITIONAL ALUMNI CONTRIBUTIONS

A $5 MILLION GIFT TO DUKE LAW School from Stanley A. Star ’61 and Elizabeth Star will serve as the centerpiece of a matching gift initiative designed to inspire contributions from alumni and friends of the Law School. The initiative will make it possible for donors to derive greater benefit from their philanthropy and increases the likelihood that the Law School can address key priorities like faculty positions and student scholarships. The gift continues a generous history of philanthropy by the Stars that has included investments in faculty enhancement and student scholarships, as well as Law School programs and infrastructure.

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Thank you.
To me, each issue of The Advocate is the Law School’s opportunity to say thank you. This phrase is simple, yet powerful and concise.

You will see these important words throughout this newsletter as a way of expressing our gratitude to those friends who have so generously given their time, expertise, and money. Perhaps this newsletter might also inspire those of you whose loyalty runs deep but who have not yet identified how you might support Duke Law.

Within these pages you will read about people who have given back to the Law School in myriad ways, including Stanley ’61 and Elizabeth Star, whose recent act of generosity will enrich the school’s curriculum by ensuring that Duke Law students will always be educated by pre-eminent legal scholars. You will read about dozens of family, friends, faculty, and former students who came together to create a new professorship in memory of our friend Robinson Everett. You also will read about gifts to our new Law and Entrepreneurship LLM and our scholarship program that have created incredible opportunities for our students.

Volunteers make equally important contributions to Duke Law. Kodwo Gharney-Tagoe ’88 and other alumni and friends support the school by working with students and faculty, sharing their professional expertise, and participating in the activities that are characteristic of our culture at Duke Law School.

What I hope you will take away from these stories is the idea that you too can find a way to support the school — as a donor, a volunteer, a mentor, or an employer.

So thank you — for what you have done and aspire to do for your alma mater.

Sincerely,

Jeff D. Coates
Associate Dean for Alumni & Development
“Stanley Star is one of the great entrepreneurs of his generation,” said Dean David F. Levi. “By designating this gift as a challenge to others, the Stars again are demonstrating creativity and leadership. Just as their gift to create the Star Commons enriched our physical plant, this gift has the potential to enrich the academic life of our school by supporting and extending the work of our faculty and the opportunities we provide to students. It is a gift that will have a lasting, substantive impact on the Law School. We are grateful for this and all that Stan and Elizabeth do to support Duke Law.”

The former principal of Cliffstar Corp., Stanley turned his family’s 19th-century Dunkirk, N.Y., winery into the country’s third largest private-label juice manufacturer. He is a life member of the Law School’s Board of Visitors and previously served as co-chair of the Law School’s Building Campaign Committee.

The Stars recently contributed funds to help launch the Law and Entrepreneurship LLM program, which welcomed its inaugural class in August 2010. Stanley explained at the time that his support was based in part on an appreciation for the program’s hands-on approach to training students in areas related to his professional work.

The couple’s $3 million pledge in 2004 allowed for the construction of the Star Commons, a 4,200-square foot common area at the Law School that has become a favorite gathering spot for study, socializing, and special events. Previous gifts by the Stars have funded the Stanley A. Star Professorship of Law & Business, currently held by Steven L. Schwarcz, and the Star Scholarship, which provides financial support to students. The couple has hosted multiple Duke Law events in their Naples, Fla., home and has deep connections with Duke; in addition to Stanley’s time at Duke Law, two of the Stars’ children have Duke degrees, and their son-in-law graduated from the Fuqua School of Business.

“Stanley is an inspiration for everyone associated with Duke Law School to try to do more for the school.”
— David Ichel ’78

Duke University Trustee Peter Kahn ’76 says he and his wife, Debbie, also are “blessed” in their friendship with the Stars.

“The Stars’ gift inspired Debbie and me to join the effort, and we hope others will likewise feel that same sense of excitement about how great this Law School can be if we all come together to support it,” said Kahn. ¶
Robinson O. Everett Professorship honors beloved member of Duke Law community

A NEW endowed professorship honors the late Professor Robinson O. Everett LLM ’39, a revered faculty member who taught at Duke for more than 51 years and inspired thousands of Duke Law students and alumni with his kindness, his service to the law and legal profession, and his devotion to Duke Law School.

To date, more than $2.5 million has been raised to fund the professorship. Leadership gifts were provided by the Katherine Robinson Everett Charitable Trust, established by Everett’s late mother and longtime law partner, and by David D. Noble ’66. The Duke Endowment’s Strategic Faculty Initiative contributed matching funds of $1.25 million to the chair, which will support a distinguished faculty of the highest caliber, who will carry on the traditions of excellence in teaching and service that Professor Everett modeled so capably and generously. I can think of no better way to honor him.”

It is appropriate, observes longtime colleague William A. Reppy Jr., that the charitable trust named for Everett’s mother, one of the earliest female graduates of the University of North Carolina School of Law, is now a leading donor to the Everett chair. “As the Duke trustee of the Katherine Robinson Everett Charitable Trust as well as one who knew Professor Everett’s mother, I am confident that she could not have imagined a more appropriate means of applying trust funds to benefit Duke Law School than the funding of the chair honoring her son Robinson,” said Reppy, the Charles L.B. Lowndes Emeritus Professor of Law. “And as a friend of Robbie’s, I am personally pleased to be part of the process of funding this significant professorship to memorialize the late, great friend of Duke Law.”

Donors to the professorship include Everett’s colleagues, friends, and former students. All living past and present deans of Duke Law School contributed to the chair, as did Judith Pye Robinson on behalf of the late Dean A. Kenneth Pye, who was a close friend of Everett’s.

“In the ’60s he was the friendliest and most accessible professor at the Law School,” Noble recalled. “We all liked him so much that we called him ‘Robbie O’ behind his back, but I doubt the name would have offended him. His classes were fascinating and friendly conversations exploring the intricacies of complex subjects. He did not embarrass or humiliate his students as most professors did at that time. He let his boundless curiosity guide each class.”

“Long after law school, whenever I found myself before an administrative tribunal, everything I had learned about administrative law came flooding back from the reservoir he had created with his skillful teaching,” Noble said. “When I returned to Durham, I saw Robbie O at virtually every alumni event I attended. His ability to remember names was simply amazing. He took great delight in the careers and families of his former students. He and Duke Law School were inextricably entwined.”

U.S. Army Capt. Sarah Gage ’01 said she “benefited enormously” from having Everett as her 1L small-section professor. “Through his shared wisdom and advice, not only on the law but also on the military, he positively impacted the lives of countless students. His unstinting support of those of us who were in the military as students will not be forgotten.” Gage, who is currently serving in Afghanistan, also contributed to the professorship.

The matching funds from The Duke Endowment’s Strategic Faculty Initiative, established as part of a $40 million gift to Duke University in 2008, advances the
Law School’s goal of adding law faculty who will participate in the larger life of the University as well as the Law School.

“The Duke Endowment is proud of its longstanding partnership with Duke Law School,” said Neil Williams ’61, chairman of the Endowment’s board. “In his Indenture, James B. Duke specifically directed support for the school, and that legacy continues today. It is particularly appropriate to remember Robinson Everett with an endowed chair. As one of his many former students, I know that in his diverse and remarkably productive career, his Duke Law teaching always ranked high.”

Everett served as chief judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces from 1980 to 1990 when he assumed senior status. His work as counsel to a Senate subcommittee in the 1960s facilitated legislation that modernized the U.S. military court system. A Durham native who joined his parents in law practice in 1955 and practiced through most of his academic career, Everett was active in the North Carolina Bar and the American Bar Association, among other professional organizations, as well as business and civic affairs in his hometown. Also involved in redistricting litigation, Everett served as both a plaintiff and lead counsel in challenging the creation of North Carolina’s 12th congressional district. He argued the matter before the U.S. Supreme Court on four occasions, prevailing in a 1996 ruling that found the district was unlawfully created.

With lifelong ties to the Law School — his father was one of Duke’s earliest law graduates — Everett was generous in supporting it philanthropically. In 1993, he founded the Duke Center on Law, Ethics and National Security (LENS) to support and encourage teaching and scholarly research on national security law topics. His philanthropy included establishing the Reuben Oscar and Robinson O. Everett Scholarship Endowment; he also chaired his Law Reunion Committees and served in a leadership capacity on fundraising campaigns.

“Robinson Everett embodied the qualities of leadership and service in and through the law,” said Levi. “He was the model of the citizen-lawyer. By establishing this professorship, we ensure that his example will continue to inspire us.”

Thank you.

As of March 5, 2011, the following donors had contributed to the establishment of the Robinson O. Everett Professorship at Duke Law School. To add your name to the plaque that will list those who participated in this gift, please contact Jeff Coates, associate dean of alumni and development, at (919) 613-7175.

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Duke Law faculty members are consistently recognized as leaders in their fields. They embody the University’s mission to pursue and support knowledge that serves society. Recruiting and retaining scholars of such breadth, depth, and commitment is critical to our continued success as a leader in innovative legal scholarship and teaching.

We strive to create several new faculty positions each year as well as to secure program funds to support faculty research, writing, and teaching.

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For additional information on how you can support our faculty with a pledge or estate gift, please contact the Duke Law School Alumni & Development Office, (919) 613-7017 or alumni_office@law.duke.edu.
BRANDON BARTEE, a member of the Law and Entrepreneurship LLM (LLMLE) program’s inaugural class, knew exactly what he wanted in his second-semester practicum.

“One of my goals was to work with a company in the ‘exit stage’ of the entrepreneurial process which typically results in a public offering or M&A transaction, as I’m interested in practicing in both of these areas,” says Bartee, who adds that he had the opportunity to work with a startup in its “infant stages” in his first semester. “Once a company meets a milestone goal like an IPO, the entrepreneurial process starts all over again, but in a different way. At this stage the company has experienced rapid growth, so the legal issues can become more complex.”

Bartee calls the experience he is now getting at SciQuest, Inc., in Cary, N.C., “fantastic.” An e-procurement company he describes as an online marketplace for business-to-business purchasing and supply-chain management, SciQuest is transitioning into the world of public reporting and disclosure, and recently acquired another company. “There are plenty of securities-related issues and there has been some very interesting post-acquisition integration work,” says Bartee. “I also have had the chance to learn about the ‘software-as-a-service’ industry which was previously unfamiliar to me. Given that most software companies are moving in this direction, the knowledge and skills I’ve gained will be invaluable.”

The inaugural class of 14 LLMLE students prepared to hit the ground running in their practicums with a rigorous first-semester curriculum that immersed them in the fundamentals and regulatory frameworks of entrepreneurship, accounting principles, and approaches to equity valuation even as they had a chance to shadow local entrepreneurs and advise student startups. Now, Bartee and his colleagues are immersed in legal work relating to early-stage enterprises within the Research Triangle and beyond, with many of the placements hosted or facilitated by Duke Law alumni and friends.

The combination of challenging coursework and high-level hands-on experience is a hallmark of the program and one reason it has drawn support from alumni and others, including Stanley Star ’61 and Scott Arenare ’89, who have contributed leadership gifts.

“The program is directly addressing the interconnectedness between the legal and business frameworks and the practical experiences of the early stage, growth-focused enterprise,” says Arenare, managing director and general counsel at Warburg Pincus in New York. “It is particularly appealing to a lawyer focused on venture capital and growth equity investing.”

High-level and hands-on
A number of alumni and organizations are now hosting practicum placements, which are a central feature of the program. Students are working in a wide variety of corporate, nonprofit, and law firm settings, tailoring their experiences to their particular skills, interests, and ambitions. By being deeply embedded in their host organizations, they are getting the chance to rapidly develop their professional skills while, at the same time, significantly enhancing their understanding of how business people approach and solve problems.

“The diversity and quality of the placements is fundamental to the LLMLE program’s value proposition, and we really value the organizations who have partnered with Duke Law School to create this distinctive set of experiences for our students,” says Clinical Professor Andrew Foster, the acting director of the LLMLE program. “I know it takes a lot of work on their part, and so I really appreciate all their support.”
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— Clinical Professor Andrew Foster

We are particularly grateful for the time, effort, and creativity Kip Frey has dedicated to identifying appropriate placements and even hosting one of our students.”

Frey ’85, the president and CEO of Zenph Sound Innovations, Inc., in Durham, teaches in the LLMLE program and chairs the board of advisors that is helping to shape its development. He worked tirelessly through the fall semester to help students find placements that appropriately match their goals and skill-sets. He also is hosting one student, Kip Nelson, at Zenph.

With her sights set on a career in media, Carrie Cottingham is experiencing both the business and legal sides of the startup world with externships at a technology-based music-marketing company, ReverbNation, based in Durham, and at Morris, Manning & Martin in Atlanta, which specializes in advising tech enterprises.

“With Morris Manning, I’m helping to organize a local angel-investor community to help young startups acquire seed funding,” says Cottingham. “At ReverbNation, I get to work with talented entrepreneurs, and learn firsthand how to solve the daily challenges that face a growing media company. The combination of these two practicums will provide me with the well-rounded knowledge I need to eventually work in-house for a media company.”

Nicholas Christie is working with Shami Patel ’97 MBA ’95, a senior partner in New York-based Hexagon Securities LLC. Hexagon is a young merchant bank active both in private equity and investment banking, with a focus on small and mid-sized financial services companies.

A member of the Board of Visitors, Patel saw the practicum as one of the best ways he could support the LLMLE program.

“At Hexagon, in addition to advising and providing capital to high-growth financial services companies, we are ourselves such an entity. In that sense, our platform dovetails closely with the type of company that is a focus of the entrepreneurship program,” he says. Because Hexagon operates in highly regulated industries both as a broker-dealer and investor in entities like banks, Christie is being exposed to deals that draw together various specialties in the law, Patel points out.

He also is getting access to the collective depth of experience Patel and his three principal partners have in running private and public companies, building asset-management business, and operating boutique investment banks.

“Being in the office means I get to overhear conversations, I get to learn terminology, I get to see how things work,” says Christie, who makes a regular commute from Durham to New York. “The process of deal-making and the process of equity-raising involve a lot of sweat and a lot of effort. These are things you need to see and hear. These are things you can’t learn in a book or in a classroom.”

Thank you.
The following individuals and companies are hosting LLMLE student practicums:

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» Capitol Broadcasting  
» Duke Athletic Department  
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» SciQuest  
» Square 1 Bank  
» Triangle Community Foundation  
» Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice  
» Zenph Sound Innovations, Inc.

Get involved!
If you are interested in hosting a practicum for a student enrolled in the Law and Entrepreneurship LLM program, contact Clinical Professor Andrew Foster at foster@law.duke.edu or (919) 613-7076.
Alumni scholarships reflect gratitude for key opportunities

PRENTISS AND GAIL FEAGLES’ ongoing philanthropy toward Duke Law School over the years can be explained in part by the affection they feel for the institution where they met. 1976 graduates, their specific interest in supporting students — the couple established the Prentiss and Gail Feagles Scholarship in 2006 — comes from a shared belief in their responsibility to give back after having received financial aid as students.

“Duke Law School has had a very significant impact on our careers and our lives. Neither Prentiss nor I would have been able to come to Duke had the Law School not been able to give us financial aid. That was very important,” says Gail Feagles, a member of the Board of Visitors. Now retired, she was the first female partner at Hazel & Thomas in Fairfax, Va. Prentiss is a tax specialist at Hogan Lovells in Washington, D.C., and serves as the firm’s managing partner of finance.

“It’s our view that because we benefitted from financial aid in the past, we need to help make sure that others coming along after us also have those same opportunities. We believe that it is essential that unique opportunities like Duke Law School be available to a broad range of qualified students, regardless of their financial means,” she says.

The Feagles are among a number of donors who in recent months have provided new and continuing gifts toward the Law School’s 84 named scholarships.

Scholarships remain a fundraising priority as the Law School continues its efforts to make a Duke Law education available to students who might not otherwise be able to afford it. Scholarships also reduce students’ debt burden, allowing them to consider careers in public service, legal aid, and other areas of public interest law. The Law School spent more than $9 million on JD scholarships during the 2010–2011 academic year, a nearly 70 percent increase in scholarship spending from just three years prior; approximately 75 percent of students receive some form of scholarship assistance.

Regular donors to the George R. Krouse Scholarship, Mario ’88 and Irene ’89 Ponce recently established the Mario A. and Irene B. Ponce Scholarship fund. The couple hopes their efforts will inspire other alumni to follow their lead in supporting students.

“Scholarships are vital to the ability of the Law School to continue to attract the most qualified students to Duke and to maintain the institution’s standing as one of the leading law schools in the country,” says Mario Ponce, a partner in Simpson Thacher's
We believe that it is essential that unique opportunities like Duke Law School be available to a broad range of qualified students, regardless of their financial means.” — Gail Feagles ’76

corporate department in New York and a BOV member. “Irene and I have wonderful memories of our time at Duke Law School. Not only did we meet there and enjoy all aspects of our law school experience, but the institution launched our respective legal careers. We wanted to contribute something back to the school, and we viewed the scholarship as a meaningful opportunity to do so.”

The Robert Davies Scholarship was first awarded in 2010. Davies ’61 says growing up in a family of modest means gave him an appreciation for student aid and has inspired his gifts to the current-use scholarship at Duke Law.

“I believe in a pay-back obligation on the part of those who got their education supported by scholarships,” says Davies, a principal in Prime Care Properties, a company that owns and administers senior living centers. “I believe that when we take, we have an obligation to return when we can.”

He says he also was inspired by the example of a college friend, Ferid Murad, who received scholarship assistance throughout his academic career; in 1998, he was a co-winner of the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine.

“Ferid gave a speech a few years ago in which he pointed out that the scholarship aid allowed him to pursue a life of research that he could not have followed if he had student loans to repay,” says Davies. “My hope is that the scholarship may, in some small measure, allow a student to follow a path in life that would have been foreclosed if he or she were carrying the obligations of paying back large student loans.”

Donors who have provided leadership gifts and pledges of $25,000 or more in support of the Law School Annual Fund are: Scott A. ’89 and Debra Arenare; Colin W. Brown ’74; Harold A. Haddon ’66; Kathleen M. Hamm ’88; Kirkland L. Hicks ’97; Peter J. ’76 and Deborah H. Kahn; David A. ’06 and Kelsey Lamond T’06; Linda H. Martin ’96; Christian J. Mixter ’77 and Linna M. Barnes ’76; Frances F. Rufty ’45; Andrew G. ’91 and Amy Chappell Slutkin ’91; K. Morgan ’66 and Chilton D. Varner; and L. Neil ’61 and Sue S. Williams.

» James A. Pope ’81, Claudia Belk, and David Noble ’66 provided gift of $25,000 or more in support of the new Robinson O. Everett Professorship (See story, page 4.)

» The Duke Endowment provided a $250,000 grant to honor Russell Robinson’s ’56 service as past chairman of the Endowment.

» The Clifford Chance Foundation provided a $22,500 grant to support a unique ad hoc seminar during the fall 2010 semester. Ten Duke Law students (nine of whom are pictured above) researched international and comparative laws relating to violence against women and domestic violence, with a particular focus on Haiti and other developing countries in Latin America. The students worked in collaboration with lawyers at Clifford Chance, including Jonathan Zonis ’90 and Aleksandra Kopec ’07, and representatives of the International Senior Lawyers Project and the Organization of American States to craft provisions and provide legislative support for a statute being drafted by the Haitian Ministry of Women’s Affairs. The provisions covered matters of criminal and civil law and a proposal for a special domestic violence court. The students were supervised by Duke Law Professors Guy-Uriel Charles and Laurence R. Helfer and Senior Lecturing Fellow Deborah K. Ross.

We thank these and all of our alumni and friends for their generous support of Duke Law School!

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LLM Scholarship Fund recipients bring international expertise, perspective to Duke Law

For the past seven years, Happy Masondo LLM ’00 has specialized in information technology law at two law firms in Johannesburg, South Africa. Masondo, a partner at Werksmans Attorneys, says she was inspired to pursue it as a practice area during her LLM studies at Duke Law.

“The seed of my interest in intellectual property matters, copyrights and other technology-related matters was first planted in Professor David Lange’s class,” says Masondo, who practiced constitutional law prior to enrolling at Duke. “I continue to have a very keen interest in these issues and find that aspect of the law to be very exciting.

“My academic experience at Duke informed my subsequent career in ways I could not have anticipated at all,” adds Masondo, who previously was a partner at Prinsloo, Tindle & Andropoulos. She expresses specific gratitude for the assistance from the LLM Scholarship Fund, which made it possible for her to attend Duke Law.

“It gave me exposure to a different type of law and a different way of practicing law. I took courses in international, entertainment, and corporate law and thus had an opportunity to work in a New York law firm dealing with corporate transactions across continents, always with the knowledge that I would come back to South Africa with that learning.”

Masondo’s experience is common among the international lawyers who pursue LLM degrees at Duke each year. The 78 members of the LLM Class of 2011, for example, come from 35 countries across the globe and from across the economic spectrum. Ten are aided financially by one of Duke Law School’s LLM-specific scholarship funds, such as the 10-year-old LLM Scholarship Fund.

“In many countries, tuition for a U.S. LLM is beyond reach, and yet students from those countries have so much to add to and receive from an LLM program. Because of what they bring to Duke, and also what they will bring back to their countries, we want to get them here,” says Jennifer Maher ’83, assistant dean for international studies. “Helping young lawyers who fit those criteria is a good use of the very limited scholarship funds that we have.

“Duke is particularly strong in areas such as public law, corporate law, intellectual property, and environmental law,” Maher says. “We want to be in a position to offer scholarships to applicants who need financial assistance and have an outstanding record and are very good fits with these academic areas.” Students like this often can’t come to Duke without help, she says.

In recent years, deserving lawyers from Kenya, Uruguay, and Vietnam, among other countries, have received a Duke Law LLM with the aid of LLM scholarship funds.

The LLM program is designed to introduce foreign law graduates to the legal system of the United States and to provide the opportunity to take advanced courses in specialized areas of the law. In addition to their two required courses — Distinctive Aspects of American Law and Legal Analysis, Research and Writing for International Students — students select from the Law School’s wide array of upper-level curricular choices as well as classes in other Duke University schools and departments. They bring a richness of perspective and approach that enhances classes they share with JD students, observes Associate Dean Judy Horowitz.

“Our LLM students have graduated from highly-regarded law schools in a wide range of countries, and they bring various legal backgrounds to enrich the educational experience of all students at the Law School,” she says.

Maher and Horowitz add that Duke’s far-flung LLM graduates often facilitate summer jobs for JD students seeking work overseas and form lifelong friendships with their JD and LLM classmates.

“To this day I continue to have contact with classmates from all over the globe,” says Masondo. “It was very valuable to me to see the diversity of my classmates from all over the world and how we all interacted with what we were learning in class, and how we found it useful or not depending on where we came from.”

Supporting international LLM students:

- **International Programs Endowment Fund**
  - $500,000 establishes a named endowment fund to support programs, student recruitment, special events, and scholarships.

- **Individually Named International Scholarships**
  - $250,000 or a directed annual pledge of $10,000 establishes a scholarship.

To contribute, please contact Associate Dean Jeff Coates, at (919) 613-7735 or coates@law.duke.edu.
Kodwo Gharthey-Tagoe ’88

KODWO GHAHTEY-TAGOE always knew he would volunteer at Duke Law. A combination of faith and his philosophy of service make him naturally inclined to give of his time. His specific desire to give back to Duke was borne of gratitude for both the warm welcome he received as a prospective student as well as the financial aid that enabled him to attend the Law School after growing up in Ghana and attending college in Canada.

“I had a wonderful experience at Duke, and I left thinking that I’d love to give back some day. The opportunity to go to Duke Law School and to graduate is not one that everybody gets,” he says. “We all have an obligation to give back, I strongly believe that. We have an obligation to give back not only to the school, but also to others. It’s important for all of us, Duke graduate or not, to first have a commitment to give back to our communities.

“Just don’t think you have to be a millionaire to help,” he adds. “You can help with your time. You can help with simple advice.”

Gharthey-Tagoe, the vice president responsible for all legal issues related to the commercial businesses and commercial operations of Duke Energy in Charlotte, included four terms on the organization’s board of directors.

Gharthey-Tagoe’s initial volunteer involvement at Duke came on alumni boards — he was immediate past president of the Duke Law Alumni Association Board of Directors prior to joining the Board of Visitors last fall. It has grown over time to include offering students advice and assistance through avenues like mock interviews, the Bridge to Practice program, and the annual ESQ Career Symposium.

He says he most enjoys working directly with students and advises them to be flexible in their professional choices, an approach that has served him well in his own career. He started out at a utility regulation firm in Washington, D.C., even though, he says, “I had never dreamed of being a utility lawyer.” He subsequently worked for three different firms, each within a different segment of the industry, before joining Duke Energy in 2002 as chief regulatory counsel. He chairs the Duke Energy law department’s pro bono committee as well as the diversity and inclusion committee; he previously chaired the mentoring committee. He also serves on the board of directors of the Mecklenburg County Bar.

Having never met a lawyer prior to law school, Gharthey-Tagoe believes alumni can serve a valuable function by helping students understand the day-to-day workings of the profession and setting their expectations accordingly. He also emphasizes to students the importance of giving back and identifies programs like the Law School’s Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program as immediate opportunities for service. It is advice he offers in appreciation for the experiences he enjoyed at Duke and ever since.

“When I look back, all I see is divine intervention,” he says. “I desperately wanted to go to Duke, but I didn’t know if I’d get in. When I got in, I didn’t know if I’d be able to get a job to stay in the U.S. How that happened and how I found myself where I am, I know it’s not through sheer dint of my own skill or what I’ve done. I do attribute it to the grace of God. I am grateful for that.”

“Just don’t think you have to be a millionaire to help. You can help with your time. You can help with simple advice.”

— Kodwo Gharthey-Tagoe ’88
2010 Scholarship Luncheon
Oct. 30, 2010

More than 140 donors, students, friends, and faculty gathered at the Washington Duke Inn to celebrate scholarship recipients and the donors whose generous gifts help sustain the Law School. Attendees heard remarks from Dean David F. Levi, Associate Dean for Alumni and Development Jeff Coates, Kathryn Johnson ’77, and Phil Rubin JD/MA ’11. Judge Gerald B. Tjoflat ’57 of the United States Court of Appeals for the 11th Circuit was an honored guest.

ESQ 2011
Feb. 4–5, 2011

More than 250 students took the opportunity to get career advice and network with 40 alumni at the ninth annual ESQ Career Symposium hosted by the Business Law Society and the Career and Professional Development Center. Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher and Kirkland & Ellis sponsored the event.
Reception with Dean Levi
Philadelphia, Jan. 21, 2011

1987 graduates Sara Jones Biden and Blaine Stanley hosted a reception with Dean David F. Levi for alumni in the Philadelphia area. The event was held at the Biden residence.

Second Annual International Alumni and Student Dinner
New York City, Jan. 27, 2011

One hundred LLM alumni, friends, and current international students joined Dean David F. Levi, Associate Dean Judy Horowitz, and Assistant Dean Jennifer Maher ‘83, for dinner at The Netherland Club of New York — and raised $35,000 for the LLM Scholarship Fund. Gary G. Lynch ‘75, vice chairman of Morgan Stanley, left, offered keynote remarks at the event, which was organized by LLM alumni to benefit the LLM Scholarship Fund, and sponsored by Weil, Gotshal & Manges, with co-sponsorship from Dewey & LeBoeuf, Covington & Burling, and Cravath, Swaine & Moore. Hunton & Williams also provided support, as did Y. Lin Chua LLM ’00 and Evert H. Vink.
ELVIN “JACK” LATTY, DEAN OF DUKE Law School from 1957 to 1966, would begin his first year Contracts class with a rubber band stretched across both his hands. As a student’s line of reasoning grew tenuous, so would the rubber band, both attenuations accompanied by Dean Latty’s characteristic “Well...”. Every Duke Law student came to know the snapping sound of broken logic. Lany Smith ’67 remembers one of his classmates walking into class with a fist full of rubber bands, exclaiming that he was “tired of playing defense.”

Latty was a character. He is revered as a teacher, a scholar, and a legal draftsman. But the story of Jack Latty, from his ambitious recruitment of the strongest students and faculty to his bringing about the physical rebirth of the previously moribund Law School, is a story first and foremost of personality. As his successor in the deanship F. Hodge O’Neal wrote, “Duke University School of Law owes its prominence more to Jack Latty than to any other person or combination of persons.”

In his first year as dean, the Law School received only 15 applications for admission. At the time, Duke Law was struggling to attract a geographically diverse student body in order to achieve a national presence. At the same time, its relatively high tuition rates deterred local applicants who had a number of state schools to choose from.

Latty embarked on a whirlwind student recruitment campaign and mustered a full class in his first year. His continued successes in attracting the highest caliber of faculty and students were, light-ly put, unorthodox. Smith had already been offered scholarships at Harvard and Penn law schools when Latty tracked him down at Wittenberg University, in Ohio. He agreed to a last minute interview with the dean who told him he was “precisely the kind of student” Duke needed — but the school had committed the last full scholarship. With a terse “good luck.” Latty concluded the interview and left Smith in sudden disappointment.

Smith’s newfound desire to attend Duke grew until the following Monday when a telegram from Latty arrived announcing, “I now have a great scholarship.” He played me,” Smith happily concedes.

O’Neal, Latty’s successor as dean, wrote of the day he received a startling phone call from another university: “Keep Jack away. Don’t let him set foot on this campus again!” Latty, who continued to recruit for Duke Law, had taken a look at the records of the students at the other school, thrown the files back on the placement director’s desk, and exclaimed for everyone to hear, “None of these students are good enough to get into Duke Law School.”

Latty displayed the same vigor in placing his graduates as he did in selecting them for admission. He once faced the hapless task of writing a letter of recommendation for the “anchor man” — the per-
"Duke University School of Law owes its prominence more to Jack Latty than to any other person or combination of persons." — Dean F. Hodge O’Neal

son at the very bottom of the class. Despite the young man’s aversion to preparing for or even attending classes, Latty put the student’s scant achievements in the best possible light and concluded, “Sir, you will be lucky if you can get this young man to work for you.”

Ultimately, the dean’s methods were unconventional, but effective. Under his influence and direction, Duke Law School rose to the front rank of legal academia, the first African American students joined the class of 1961, and, at a dedication ceremony presided over by Chief Justice Earl Warren, the Law School opened its new home at Towerview Road and Science Drive; Latty had somehow convinced the University to move the law school from the very bottom to the top of the capital improvement schedule.

Right beside his maverick fervor, Latty maintained an avuncular modesty. Nat Pieper ’67 recalls stopping by Duke on the way home from a long road trip prior to starting law school. Pieper was dismayed to find the Law School entrance locked. He noticed a white-haired man in spackled overalls carrying a brush and can of paint and asked the man if he thought “they would mind if I took a look around since I’ll be going here next fall.” The man smiled, replied “I don’t think they’ll mind at all,” and proceeded to give a tour. The painter was, of course, Dean Latty.

Fittingly, during the Law School’s building dedication in 1963, the Board of Trustees referred to the new facility as “the house that Jack built.” In many ways, it still is.

George Pianka ’13 is a member of Duke Law School’s Law & History Society.

"Do you have a memory to share of Dean Latty? Send it to Frances Presma at presma@law.duke.edu for posting to the Duke Law website.

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$100,000 in 100 days

Dean David F. Levi, Kathleen Hamm ’88, and David A. ’06 and Kelsey Lamond T’06 are offering a combined $100,000 in matching funds to challenge you to make a gift to the Duke Law Annual Fund. Every gift made to the Annual Fund between March 15 and June 30 by a graduate who did not make a gift last year will be matched dollar-for-dollar.

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EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES like those offered by the Duke Law Clinical Program, through which students provide thousands of hours of free legal services annually to underserved communities and nonprofit organizations and develop professional skills that help launch their careers.

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— Stephanie Lam JD/MBA ’11, former president of the Duke Bar Association and member of the Law Alumni Association – New Lawyers Division.

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Pregame warm-up
Kansas City, Nov. 22, 2010

Kansas City alumni and friends joined Professors Tom Metzloff and Richard Schmalbeck for a pregame gathering to cheer on the Blue Devils in the O’Reilly Auto Parts CBE Classic men’s college basketball tournament. Mark Foster ’73 and his firm, Stinson Morrison Hecker, hosted the event.