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Dear Alumni and Friends of VUSL,

As with the past few issues of the Amicus, this summer 1995 edition features in-depth articles on several of our outstanding VUSL alumni. We've chosen to focus on the fast-paced world of corporate law (you'll the recall last issue highlighted public interest law and the issue prior to that dealt with international law).

Four VUSL alumni, scattered across the country, shared their secrets for success. Allen Andreas, '68, is Executive Committee and Corporate Compliance Officer for Archer Daniels Midland, the international agribusiness better known as "the supermarket to the world." Jay Johnson, '71, serves as Vice President of the Corporate Staff and General Litigation Counsel for Dallas-based Texas Instruments. Richard Kippen, '56, will retire as Executive Vice President and North American General Counsel after 32 years with Hiram Walker & Sons in Walkerville, Canada. And Jon Walton, '69, holds the title of Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary for the international specialty steel corporation, Allegheny Ludlum, located in Pittsburgh.

I noted with interest two common strands woven throughout these men's unique stories. Each is passionate about his work. They love what they do and as a result they do it very well. And, each alumnus believes his Valparaiso education prepared him well for the challenges of working in the pressure-filled arena of corporate Law.

This issue of the Amicus has another highlight in addition to these alumni profiles: the visit of William H. Rehnquist, Chief Justice of the United States. He honored us with his presence during our 1995 commencement ceremonies. In his address to the graduating class, he admonished them to be aware of time as an expendable commodity and, therefore, to use it wisely. I think the Chief Justice would be proud of the four VUSL grads featured in this issue. Though these gentleman are extremely successful lawyers, they have found the balance between practice, personal and family life, and pro bono commitments. Their passion for success has not gotten in the way of other facets of their lives.

In that same vein, one of our long-time faculty members has decided to nurture other facets of his life. Professor Charles Ehren announced his retirement from teaching effective May 1995. Charles and his wife Joan will be heading back to their roots in New York — they will be greatly missed by all of us at the School of Law.

And finally, special thanks to everyone who supported this year's Dean's Annual Campaign. The yearly report is contained in this issue of the Amicus — I hope you're as pleased with the results as we are.

I hope you enjoy this issue of the Amicus and we look forward to seeing you at a VUSL event this year!
Challenging Racism: Derrick Bell Delivers the 1995 Seegers Lecture

This past February, the law school community welcomed a self-professed agitator into its midst. Derrick Bell, speaker for the twelfth annual Seeger's Lecture at the School of Law, is a man who willingly wears the mantle of conflict.

Leading up to the lecture itself, Bell graciously spent time shaking hands at a Presidential reception, dining with V.I.P's at the Dean's home, and talking his way through meetings and interviews with faculty, staff and students. Finally, he addressed a standing-room only crowd in the Tabor Auditorium, confronting head-on the topic of racism in America in his lecture "Black History and America's Future."

No catchy slogans. No fist-pounding. Instead, Bell spoke with alternating gentleness and intensity about what he believes to be the root of American racism and what every person can do — as a lawyer and as a resident of planet Earth — to confront this situation honestly.

This has become Bell's life work: challenging people to re-examine the American race issue and to stand in active opposition to it. Four books and three law schools down his path, Bell is still searching for better answers to the questions. And in the meantime, he will continue to stir the conversation.

"To say I have a prophetic role doesn't sound very humble," Bell admits, "but I've been graced with experiences that have given me a number of outlooks on race in this country. And I think that, to the extent that I have a vision for where we really are and where we need to go as a nation, then I

"Racism is an integral, permanent and indestructible component of [the American] society."

—Derrick Bell, Faces at the Bottom of the Well
need to proselytize and put it out there."

Putting it out there, for Bell, means talking about racism in terms of what he sees as an irreparable problem. He throws the full weight of his theory at readers in his second book, *Faces at the Bottom of the Well*, saying, "black people will never gain full equality in this country. Even those herculean efforts we hail as successful will produce no more than temporary 'peaks of progress' — short-lived victories that slide into irrelevance as racial patterns adapt in ways that maintain white dominance. This is a hard to accept fact that all history verifies. We must acknowledge it, not as a sign of submission, but as an act of ultimate defiance."

Whether one meets him in person or through his prose, it seems that Bell has swallowed a stomachful of truth serum — a binding potion that leaves him little room for anything but focused, forward movement. "I do believe that a person has to tell the truth as he sees it," Bell says firmly. "And of course he hopes it will work out — even if he is criticized."

To illustrate his point, Bell invokes the names of two men of action and conviction: Martin Luther King, Jr. and Jesus.

"You know, now we look back at Martin Luther King's actions and it's clear that he did the right thing. But it wasn't as obvious to everyone while he was alive."

Bell talks frankly of consequences for telling the truth: condemnation and sacrifice. And he speaks from personal experience of these requirements.

Though Bell was Harvard's first tenured black law professor, he lost his job at the Ivy League institution in 1992 during his protest over the school's failure to hire and grant tenure to a black woman. After Harvard, he became Dean of the University of Oregon's law school — a position from which he also departed in a protest over minority hiring issues. For now Bell is working as a visiting professor at New York University School of Law.

Despite his ongoing employment as a teacher of the law, Bell does not believe the American legal system will remedy the nation's race problem. He confesses
that like the late Justice Thurgood Marshall, he no longer believes that race reform can be truly undertaken through the legal system. As Bell puts it, "so far, no one has made a dent via that route, let alone dismantled racism.

"We urged people deeply oppressed by the law to turn to the law as a way out. We did this in good faith but without an adequate understanding of the situation," Bell says. "Now I believe that if we ignore the continuing pervasiveness of racism and pretend the law is colorblind, then those in power will reward us with their racist standards." If not the law, what does Bell suggest to combat this toxic national issue? His answer is a shocking blend of painful realism and zealous moral warfare. Bell urges people to acknowledge racism as a permanent part of the American landscape ... and then move on. "Recognition doesn't mean acceptance," he says with conviction, "it means understanding the problem. Acceptance allows you to celebrate the victories and it ensures that the defeats are not crushing. I think coping with racism is like being a part of Alcoholics Anonymous. It starts with the confession that 'I am an alcoholic and will always be an alcoholic.' But for today, I will go on living."

As you would expect, Bell's rhetoric falls heavy on people's ears and their souls. He admits that even his most recent work, Confronting Authority: Reflections of an Ardent Protestor, may be difficult for people to digest. "I realize this may be a threatening book. Matter of fact, I said to my publisher, if we really want a best seller, then I should repent and confess that black people are at fault and that white people are always right. But I could never write that," he adds. "There's no doubt, my ideas are a tough thing to sell," Bell says. "But if [my theories] weren't tough, they would be suspect because the problem is. If you could 'get it' easily, we would have moved beyond where we are by now. The problem with racism is that you have to 'get it' every single day."

Scholar, author, prophet and self-proclaimed speaker of the truth, Derrick Bell dares everyone who will listen. While he has not yet solved the problems American racism, Bell is willing to keep asking the questions and searching for the answers.

-Kristin Jass
VUSL MOOT COURT TEAM WINS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The Valparaiso University School of Law Moot Court Intellectual Property Team brought home the gold April 15th, capturing the national championship. Finals for the Giles Sutherland Rich Moot Court Competition were held in Washington, D.C., with eight teams competing for the nation’s top honor.

Valpo Law defeated the University of Texas - Austin team for the title after winning two earlier rounds. Teammates Paul Richards (3L) and Chad Schiefelbein (2L) triumphed over the Houston School of Law in the first round, and went on to beat Franklin-Pierce School of Law in the second round for the right to face off against Texas.

The final round in the Rich Competition was heard by members of the Federal Circuit Court, including Chief Justice Pauline Newman. Justice Giles S. Rich, now 91 years old, also listened to arguments in the final round.

Richards and Schiefelbein jointly authored both 35-page briefs for the competition which discussed six different issues, five relating to the area of copyrights and one dealing with the Lanham Act and the protectibility of trade dress (product appearance). Team coach Professor Geri Yonover said of the national victory, “This is a terrific honor for the law school. I would match our top students against any other students in the country.”

The Giles S. Rich Competition began with regional match-ups in Northern Indiana and Chicago. The VUSL team beat squads from Big Ten schools University of Illinois, University of Michigan and the University of Minnesota, taking the regional crown. In addition, Richards and Schiefelbein won awards for “Best Appellant Brief” and “Best Appellee Brief” at the regional competition.

This marks the third straight year VUSL’s Intellectual Property Moot Court team has qualified for the national championships in Washington.
INDIANA SUPREME COURT HEARS CASE AT THE SCHOOL OF LAW

The Indiana Supreme Court honored the School of Law by hearing oral arguments for a Stride Courtroom this April. In what is becoming an annual tradition, the Court, comprised of Judges Roger Owen DeBruler, Brent Dickson, Myra Selby, Randall T. Shepard, and Frank Sullivan, Jr., heard arguments for Sweeney and Pfeifer v. Blackburn and Green, a case involving the Indiana Rules of Professional Conduct and their impact on lawyer advertising.

Prior to 1992, Blackburn and Green had been in a law partnership with Sweeney and Pfeifer. In 1992, Sweeney and Pfeifer sued for dissolution of the partnership after discovering violations of the original partnership agreement terms. The dissolution settlement included an agreement by all parties not to advertise in the other's markets. Blackburn and Green, however, filed a lawsuit alleging that the agreement's limit on advertising provisions violated the Professional Rules of Conduct, clause 5.6, which prohibits any agreements that impermissibly restrict a lawyer's right to practice.

Sweeney and Pfeifer, however, argue that Clause 5.6 applies only to restrictions on the practice of law, whereas their original partnership dissolution agreement simply restricts advertising in certain geographical regions.

VUSL students and faculty were able to witness the proceedings and ask questions of the justices after the hearing.

The 25th anniversary of Earth Day was celebrated at the law school with a special tree planting. Members of the Midwest Environmental Law Caucus, along with Professor Philipp Brockington, took time out during finals week to grab their shovels and plant a white pine on the north side of Wesemann Hall.
RECORD HIGH MEMBERSHIP FOR ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

President Diane Kavadias Schneider, '82, was pleased to announce a record-breaking year for the Alumni Association. More than 590 VUSL grads reaped the benefits of membership in the Alumni Association during 1994-95 — a 63% increase over the previous year.

"It's has been a terrific year for the Alumni Association and I'm proud of the outstanding participation of our alumni," Kavadias Schneider said. She noted that Association funds paid for a variety of events this year -- from the purchase of Alumni Directories for the new graduates in the Classes of 1994, 1995 and 1996, to alumni receptions at State Bar Annual Meetings, to funding of the law school's new reunion program.

"During this coming year we will once again be offering alumni special benefits for paying dues to the VUSL Alumni Association," Kavadias Schneider said, "including discounts at national car rental chains, local cellular phone discounts, clothing discounts and a host of other perks."

In addition, dues paying Alumni Association members will receive V.I.P. mailings to special events throughout the year at the School of Law.

The 1995-96 Alumni Association dues program will kick off in July. "Watch your mailbox for information on this year's program. We're always doing new things and I know alumni won't want to miss what's in store!" Kavadias Schneider said.

REHNQUIST TEACHES AT CAMBRIDGE SUMMER PROGRAM

Students studying at VUSL's program in Cambridge, England this summer will have the privilege of learning from William H. Rehnquist, Chief Justice of the United States. Rehnquist will teach a course entitled, "The History of the United States Supreme Court" during the July 3 through August 11 program. Professors David Vandercoy, James Smoot, and Dean Edward Gaffney round out the Cambridge faculty.
Berner named new Seegers Professor

These days, Bruce Berner is living in the land of the giants. Joining the Professors Louis Bartelt and Al Meyer, Berner will begin his tenure as the Louis & Anna Seegers Distinguished Professor of Law this coming fall.

With Meyer's retirement last May, the VUSL faculty spent the better part of this year interviewing candidates to fill the coveted position. Arriving at a decision early in 1995, Berner's colleagues announced that he had been selected for the honor.

Sitting in his office, which is perpetually awash in unshelved books, miscellaneous papers, last month's journals and other chaotic remnants, Berner recounts his reaction to the news. "I was really knocked over by the whole thing," he says. "I am deeply honored and even a little shocked by it. Both Louie and Al were teachers of mine and deans while I was a student here. Then I went on to work with both of them as a faculty member, so this is really something."

Berner, who has been on sabbatical this semester, says he has been pondering just what it means to sit in the Seegers Chair at Valparaiso. Because it's a "distinguished service" chair, he believes it requires different things of the men and women who hold the title than do other endowed chairs. "Traditionally chairs are associated with scholarly activity, but I'm not one who has written a great deal," Berner points out.

"My great love is teaching — being in the class-room. So I think my kind of scholarship might be more in terms of viewing the students as the audience. I'll probably spend more time developing instructional materials and different ways of presenting things to students."

Anyone who has sat in Berner's classroom can vouch for his enthusiasm and his often unique ways of teaching the law. Berner will mark his 25th anniversary at VUSL during the 1995-96 year, beginning his tenure as Seegers Chair on a high note. Looking back over the highlights of the past two decades, Berner says it's not so much particular incidents he recalls as it is the students.

"I loved practicing law, but there's nothing like watching students 'get it'. I'm intrigued by the process of learning, so watching that process is a real kick for me."

Perhaps Berner's only regret in receiving the Seegers Chair is that he didn't succeed Charlie Gromley. "It was so obvious to me that Charlie should have had this chair for a few years at the end of his career," Berner says, explaining that it seemed as though Gromley would hold the position for a few years after Al Meyer retired. But things didn't work out that way.

"That's sort of the one regret that I have," Berner confesses. "But Charlie and I were good friends, and I think I'll hold this in his stead. I think he would have liked that."
Professor Charles Ehren (above) has retired from the School of Law after 18 years of service. Professor Ehren came to Valparaiso in 1977 after a 20 year career in legal education and law practice. While at VUSL he served as Dean from 1977 - 1982. He began his career in academe at the Northwestern University School of Law as Director of Curriculum for the National Institute for Education in Law and Poverty. In 1970 he joined the faculty of the University of Denver College of Law and taught in the environment and resource area of the curriculum.

During the course of his career, Professor Ehren served in the Federal Legal Services Program, was a Reginald Heber Smith Fellow at the University of Pennsylvania Law School, and a Visiting Scholar at Columbia Law School.

Professor Ehren and his wife Joan will be "going home" in retirement to New York.


Professor Robert Blomquist (above) was appointed by the Porter County (IN) Republican Precinct Committee to replace the unexpired term of the former Porter County Councilman-at-Large.

Edging out five competitors in the county caucus, Professor Blomquist took the oath of office as a Porter County Councilman on January 1, 1995. Blomquist's committee assignments on the Council include: Porter County Solid Waste Management Board; LaPorte/Porter County Solid Waste Agency; Environmental Department; Courts; Prosecutor's Office; Civil Defense Office; and Public Defender's Office.

In addition, Professor Blomquist was an invited presenter and conference participant at the Interdisciplinary Environmental Association Conference on Interdisciplinary Environmental Perspectives in Boston, Massachusetts in June, 1995.


Also, Professor Blomquist served as the General Editor for the three volume Great Lakes Environmental Transactions Guide (1994). VUSL graduates who served as Contributing Editors include: Cynthia Oppliger Baker ('91), Susan
Hartman ('89), Beth Henning Guria ('89), and Deborah Denslaw ('89).

Professor Ivan Bodensteiner presented a number of Continuing Legal Education seminars, including "Federal Court Litigation" for Michigan Legal Services in March; "Suing & Defending City Hall: Civil Rights Litigation in Indiana" for the Indiana Civil Liberties Union in May; and "Sexual Harassment Claims in the Workplace" for the Indiana Continuing Legal Education Forum in May. He also participated in a panel discussion of domestic violence and the Indiana "stalking" law, sponsored by VUSL chapter of the Women’s Law Student Association. Recent publications include: "Consumers Beware: A License to Injure," 29 Valparaiso University Law Review 1171 (1995) and the completion of the 1995 Supplement for State and Local Government: Civil Rights Liability with Professor Rosalie Levinson.


In March, he was a United States Information Service Lecturer in Malawi, Mozambique, and Ethiopia. He enjoyed seeing former students and colleagues, and he gave lectures in international human rights, in law and economics, and in constitutional law and politics.


Professor Jack Hiller as Chairman of the University's Art Museum Council, a member of the Board of Directors of Friends of Art, (a community support group for the Museum), and a member of the Museum's National Advisory Council, has been engaged in planning the opening of the Museum and Museum Store in V.U.'s new Center for the Arts. Professor Hiller has been invited to act as a consultant on the establishment of a new law school at Stamford College in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia (a suburb of Kuala Lumpur).

While there, he will lecture to students at the college. Also while in Malaysia, he will meet with the faculty and administration of the School of Administration and Law of Institute Teknological MARA where he served as consultant and Fulbright Professor in 1986-87.

Professor Rosalie Levinson (above) recently completed a new chapter on Title VII and the February 1995 Supplement to Treatise on Civil Rights Liability, co-authored with Professor Bodensteiner and published by Clark, Boardman, Callaghan. Professor Levinson also lectured on Title VII and the 1991 Civil Rights Act at a conference on Civil Rights Litigation at Chicago-Kent College of Law in March of 1995. She also presented "Constitutional Law Update" in February as part of VUSL's pro bono continuing legal education program.
Professor Levinson acted as the moderator for a panel discussion on Indiana's stalking law in April 1995.

Professor Seymour Moskowitz delivered a lecture at V.U.'s School of Nursing on the Legal and Ethical Issues in the Restructuring of Hospitals. He also recently completed the annual update of the Federal Trial Guide (4 volumes), published by Matthew Bender. On a personal side, Professor Moskowitz is proud to announce that his daughter, Sarah, graduated from Fordham Law School in May 1995.

Professor Barbara Schmidt (above) led a workshop at the law school in May, entitled, "Addressing the Effects of Domestic Violence on Children and Youth." More than 200 people attended the conference, including VUSL alumni the Honorable Nancy Vaidik, '80, Indiana State Senator William Alexa, '73, the Honorable David Matsey, '69, Valparaiso Mayor David Butterfield, '71, and Adam Stern, '94, of the Cook County Public Guardian's Office.

Professor Michael Straubel's article, "Textualism, Contextualism, and the Scientific Method in Treaty Interpretation: How do we Find the Shared Intent of the Parties?" was published in 40 Wayne Law Review 1191 (1994). He has also been appointed Interim Head Track & Field Coach to oversee the start-up of Track & Field at VU.

Professor Linda Whitton's article "Health Care Advance Directives: The Next Generation" was published in the June issue of Res Gestae.

Career Services Director Gail Peshel served as NALP's liaison to the ABA Law Practice Management Section and wrote a report which was published in NALP's Annual Review.

She also participated in the ABA Commission on Minorities in the Profession program, "The Power of Diversity" held in Washington, D.C., and she serves as Chair of the Minority Opportunity Award Subcommittee of the Opportunities for Minorities Committee of the Indiana State Bar Association.

The Indiana Lawyer and her article, "Preparing the Client for Mediation" appeared in the January 1995 issue of Res Gestae. Also, VUSL's "Vance-coached" Negotiation Team advanced to the national competition held in Miami last February.

Professor Ruth Vance organized the first-ever national conference for Directors of Legal Writing Programs entitled, "The Politics of Legal Writing" to be held in San Diego, California, in July. She organized the agenda and recruited the presenters for the event.

Her article "The Tao of the Jury" appeared in the November 1994 issue of
Teleconferences, international accounts, board meetings, long-range plans ... in the fast paced arena of corporate law, attorneys juggle these tasks along with a dozen others each day.

This issue of *the Amicus* features four Valparaiso University School of Law alumni who have climbed to the top of the corporate ladder. Allen Andreas, '68, is Counsel to the Executive Committee and Corporate Compliance Officer for Archer Daniels Midland, the international agribusiness better known as "the supermarket to the world." Richard Kippen, '56, will retire as Executive Vice President and North American General Counsel after 32 years with Hiram Walker & Sons. Jay Johnson, '71, serves as Vice President of the Corporate Staff and General Litigation Counsel for Dallas-based Texas Instruments. And Jon Walton, '69, holds the title of Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary for the international specialty steel corporation, Allegheny Ludlum.

These men are among the best and bright- est VUSL alumni who left Valparaiso with a degree and ended up in the Fortune 500.
The earth is dark and rich. The plants stand tall, row upon row. The fields are soaked with sunshine and summer rains. This is Decatur, Illinois — welcome to the world’s supermarket. The Archer Daniels Midland Company owns that slogan and a good chunk of Decatur. Its massive grain elevators, processing plants, research laboratories and transportation networks stand as proof of this extraordinary claim — ADM is the supermarket to the world. And that makes G. Allen Andreas grocer to millions. Actually, Andreas is Counsel to ADM’s Executive Committee and Corporate Compliance Officer for the international organization. Based at Archer Daniels Midland’s central Illinois headquarters, he travels the globe dealing with the company’s legal issues and, more broadly, furthering their mission of ending world hunger. Andreas’ monthly schedule takes him to China, Poland, Israel, France and a host of other international destinations for his work on policy making boards of directors. When you work for the world’s supermarket, it’s a challenge keeping the aisles stocked. But Andreas overflows with energy for the cause — it is clear he is completely committed to the agribusiness. "Ultimately, our mission at Archer Daniels Midland is continual development of the ability to provide the world with the food it requires," Andreas says. "It’s a question of population versus food. We are very well aware of that equation."

According to a recent report from the Hudson Institute, agricultural output must triple over the next 40 years in order to accommodate a doubling of the world’s population. That delicate balance, Andreas concedes, affects all the decisions ADM makes from determining plant locations to prioritizing cutting edge research. "Right now ADM has the capacity to feed most of the world," Andreas says. So why are there still world famine issues? As Andreas explains, it's not a simple matter of planting more corn or harvesting more barley. World feeding issues are a complex blend of consumption habits, transportation problems and international politics. Amazingly, Andreas and other ADM execs sift through these
issues, and more, each day. Andreas routinely deals with heads of state and other government V.I.P.s as he negotiates transportation and production issues for ADM. His work is affected by international trade agreements, such as like GATT and NAFTA, and the opening of previously closed markets in China, Russia and eastern Europe. And, ever-improving technologies from gene splicing to microchips push him to continually refocus and reprioritize his goals. How did a boy from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, become an integral part of this global puzzle? It seems that Allen Andreas was born for the job.

With enough energy for a handful of executives, Andreas speaks with genuine excitement about the company’s phenomenal growth, its hi-tech research projects, its global communications web, its forays into places like Shanghai and Budapest, its dedication to state of the art machinery ... all this in a steady stream of narration punctuated only by occasional blips from the computer on his desk (the pc tracks everything from activity on the New York and London Stock Exchanges to the Chicago Board of Trade to international currency markets to Rueters News Service). The road from Cedar Rapids halfway around the planet and back to Decatur, in retrospect, seems an obvious one.

Andreas came to the world of agribusiness through family ties. His grandfather, a tenant farmer in Iowa during the Great Depression, purchased fields of Pella, he was not immediately seduced by the agriculture surrounding him. He didn’t want to go into banking either, but the legal profession sounded like a reasonable alternative. So after two years at Calvin College, Andreas transferred to Valparaiso University with the intention of staying on to attend its law school.

"I thought it was a good idea to attend Valpo because it wasn’t a state school with a narrow focus on the law.

I felt I was getting a broader background there than I would have at another institution," he remarks. "And to this day I have fond memories of many of my professors at Valpo.”

Andreas graduated from VUSL in 1968 with a JD and an invitation to head west. The IRS offered him a job in their Denver tax division. He says he spent five very happy years in the mile-high state. But in 1973, Andreas received a phone call that beckoned him back to the Midwest and his true calling.

"Archer Daniels Midland had just moved its headquarters from Minneapolis to Decatur, and they needed someone with a legal background to develop international business," Andreas explains. He packed his bags and moved “home” for good.

Founded in 1902 by the Archer and Daniels families, ADM was a privately owned company until the mid-1930s when it broke into the New York Stock Exchange. For years it remained a domestic agribusiness, buying grain from farmers and producing a variety of consumer products. In 1965, however, ADM’s Board of Directors made the decision to divest the company of all its businesses that were not directly focused on agribusiness. That decision paid off in spades over the next two decades as ADM’s new, lean look produced a jump in sales from $125 million in 1970 to just over $10 billion last year.
Andreas joined the team in Decatur just as the company started its impressive growth pattern. He spent three years with ADM’s legal department, dealing with international tax and finance issues. There are currently four lawyers on ADM’s in-house payroll, an impossibly small number compared to the company’s reach. But Andreas explains that Archer Daniels Midland has never had a large legal department thanks to their philosophy that “too many lawyers cause a company to lose its business acumen.”

Despite that credo, Andreas found himself on a plane bound for Brussels in 1976, with the purpose of establishing an international office for ADM. Andreas spent the next thirteen years criss-crossing Europe, opening new markets and building new partnerships for the company.

In 1989 the phone rang again and this time ADM’s Chief Executive Officer asked Andreas to pack his passport for the Netherlands. “By that time the company had made a substantial investment in its international operations,” Andreas explains, “and they wanted to establish a Chief Financial Officer position based in Europe.” Andreas accepted the position and remained there until a move to London in 1991.

During this period, ADM bought a substantial number of factories across Europe. Today, Archer Daniels Midland owns and operates 165 manufacturing plants, 200 grain elevators, and 2,000 barges. And, last year alone, ADM used more than 5 million trucks and 500,000 railroad cars to transport its food products. On any given day, along with their affiliates in Europe, they add another 100 cargo ships on the high seas to their global network. This immense business of transporting and processing agricultural crops — which netted a gross profit of $1.1 billion during 1994 — validates Archer Daniels Midland’s claim of being supermarket to the world.

In 1994, Andreas was called back to Decatur where he accepted his new responsibilities as Counsel to the Executive Committee. Asked just what that title means, he laughs, conceding that he is probably the only person in the world with that sign on the office door. “Basically I bring unique international experience to ADM — I bring insights into global opportunities and a better understanding of how international operations function,” he says.

The casual manner in which Andreas drops this weighty sentence belies his overwhelming knowledge of each of ADM’s segments. He dons a hard hat to lead tours of a grain processing plant as easily as he discusses the company’s sophisticated research and production of lysine. Andreas loves it all — from the sour smell of the fermentation process to the theoretical conversations about protein consumption.

Decatur may at first seem an unlikely home for Andreas and this multinational company, but it is the heart and soul of both. As Andreas explains, Archer Daniels Midland would not exist without the men and women that till the soil. “Farmers are our owners, customers and partners. There are a number of families with substantial investments in ADM,” Andreas says. “Through the years that network of friendships has meant a lot of opportunity for us.

“The planning, focus and vision for the future are all here in Decatur,” Andreas says. After all, where else would the world’s supermarket be but right in the middle of the bread basket?

And where else would a lawyer from a farming family be but right in the middle of the plan to feed the world.

- Kristin Jass
How many bottles of Canadian Club Whiskey does it take to fill an oak barrel? Ask Richard Kippen. When you're Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary for Hiram Walker & Sons you can answer that and a great deal more about the distilled spirits industry.

Kippen is one of America's top liquor law specialists as a result of his 32-year career with the Canadian-based business. Though he began as a resident counsel with Hiram Walker in 1963, Kippen now handles the international corporation's legal affairs and rubs elbows with U.S. government leaders.

Engaging and quick with a story, Kippen can recreate the company's fascinating history from its humble beginnings through the glamorous but often violent American prohibition period and into the modern period of international mergers and acquisitions.

The original Hiram Walker owned a small grocery and dry goods store in Detroit in the mid-1800s. Along the way he decided that more money could be made producing high quality spirits. Walker owned 480 acres of farmland across the Detroit River in Ontario, Canada, which seemed like the perfect place to build his distillery.

Thus, Hiram Walker & Sons set down roots in Walkerville, Canada, a "company town" settlement on the outskirts of Windsor, Ontario. Modern visitors to Walkerville see just what Hiram Walker saw one hundred years ago — fertile farmland situated on the Detroit River directly across from a bustling metropolis. Today a massive expansion bridge straddles the Detroit River connecting...
Detroit and Windsor. But Kippen says that for years Hiram Walker made the daily trip from his home in Detroit across the river to his offices in Walkerville via ferryboat.

Kippen's office is housed in the company's North American headquarters, an elegant sand-blasted brick building which Hiram Walker himself built in the late 1890s. The interior is decorated in rich crimson brocade, gleaming brass and elaborately carved wood, evoking the wealthy turn-of-the-century entrepreneurial period we have all but forgotten.

The other original buildings are long gone from Walkerville, but the tiny town is crowded with their successors — towering grain elevators, imposing distillations warehouses, expansive bottling facilities, and miles and miles of metal piping through which Hiram Walker's liquid gold flows on its way to oak barrels.

Last year alone, the company's spirits division posted worldwide sales of $3 billion, of which $1.5 billion came from U.S. sales. The United States has long been a supporter of this Canadian operation, though not always intentionally. Hiram Walker's original elixir was "Club Whiskey" which flowed across the border into the hands of eager American customers. In an effort to encourage the populous to buy home-grown goods, the U.S. Congress passed a bill late in the 1800s declaring that any product imported from Canada had to indicate those origins in its name.

Thus "Canadian Club Whiskey" was born... and when Americans enjoyed a bottle, they simply saluted their neighbors to the north for their expertise in distilling spirits.

In his second floor office, which offers a panoramic view of the Detroit skyline across the river, Kippen's days are filled with management responsibilities. He oversees an international team of lawyers working for Hiram Walker around the globe, and his glass is full, so to speak, with a blend of legal concerns. "My job involves a strong concentration on contracts and commercial transactions," Kippen explains, "as well as a fair amount of trademark work."

Like many lawyers working for companies with international holdings, Kippen spends most of his time coordinating rather than li-
gating. When Hiram Walker has legal business to be conducted in Spain, Kippen works with Spanish lawyers to get the job done. Similarly, when the company needs legal assistance in Louisiana, he searches out the best people in that state. But along with this predictable legal activity, Kippen spends a great deal of time on what he terms "government relations." Simply put, Kippen lobbies the United States government through a variety of professional organizations for more lenient treatment of the liquor industry. Although Hiram Walker's North American headquarters are located in Canada, the U.S. companies lobby both at the U.S. Federal and State levels. "Basically, I'm in charge of government relations for all of North America," Kippen says. A tall order? It gets knocked down to size when he reveals his allies: the Distilled Spirits Council of the U.S. and the National Association of Beverage Importers (the latter of which Kippen is presently Chairman of the Board of Directors). Working through these trade associations, Kippen advocates for lower excise taxes and less restrictive governmental regulation. "I spend a great deal of time telling the government that the goose which laid the golden egg is gone." Translation: raising excise taxes, according to Kippen, lowers alcohol consumption which means lowered production and fewer jobs. "The distilled spirits industry is one of the most regulated businesses in America," Kippen says, further theorizing that the current state of restriction is a remnant of the gangster-ridden prohibition period when profiteers and professional criminals made millions producing and trafficking liquor. While those days are long gone, Kippen maintains that the U.S. government still requires excessive compliance from now above-board corporations. When did Kippen learn all this in law school? "Oh gosh, I didn't learn about liquor law," he says, laughing. "But I did learn contracts and commercial law. And the rest I learned along the way." Along the way — the path from Valparaiso University to Hiram Walker — Kippen took several detours. Arriving in Valparaiso in 1950, Kippen began his studies at VU planning to get a B.A. and then go on to law school. "At the time I wanted to be an FBI agent," Kippen admits. But when Kippen met his future wife, Eileen, he decided to pursue a less risky legal career. He graduated from VUSL in 1956 with a J.D. and a new plan. "I left Valpo and went back to Grand Rapids, Michigan, where I had been raised," Kippen explains. "I passed the state bar and ended up in private practice for three years." Then, in 1959 he answered an ad in the state bar journal for a position at the Grand Trunk Railroad Company in Detroit. Though he had no personal or professional connections at the corporation he landed the job. "I guess I interviewed well," he says, shrugging his shoulders. "I was rather
surprised at the time that I had gotten the job." Kippen worked in Detroit for three more years until he saw another advertisement. This one was for Hiram Walker. "You know, I didn't know anyone at Hiram Walker, either. But I had some good experience at that point, and I guess I did a good job again during the interview," he says. This time Kippen put the professional ads away and stayed at Hiram Walker.

During the ensuing years, Kippen has waded through a number of risky, even traumatic, legal experiences. In 1980, Hiram Walker was party to a friendly merger, becoming Hiram Walker Resources. This merger added gas and other utilities functions to the company's holdings. Kippen invested a great deal of time in that successful venture.

In 1986, however, the tables were turned and Hiram Walker Resources found itself fighting a hostile takeover bid from Olympia and York. The parent company decided to gamble big, selling its spirits business to British-based Allied-Lyons during the bidding process. This unorthodox action triggered a massive law suit which was eventually settled out of court, upholding Hiram Walker Resources' chancy plan. Allied-Lyons PLC ended up with 51% of Hiram Walker and Olympia & York with 49%. By 1987, Allied-Lyons became 100% owner of Hiram Walker. "I guess you would call the takeover attempt the traumatic highlight of my career," Kippen ventures. "We really didn't see this takeover bid coming and it demanded a great deal of time." Today, Allied-Lyons PLC (since 1994 Allied Domecq PLC) still owns Hiram Walker along with other food manufacturing and retail food companies as well as British brewing interests and pubs.

Although Kippen served on the Management Board of the Allied Domecq Spirits and Wine Division from 1987 to 1992, he now works solely for Hiram Walker, focusing his legal prowess on the distilled spirits division. After more than thirty years in Walkerville, Canada, what's next? "Retirement!" Kippen says proudly. He leaves active duty this summer though Hiram Walker will call on his expertise in a consulting role for another year.

Richard and Eileen Kippen still have questions to answer, such as whether they will stay in Michigan or find a retirement haven elsewhere, whether they'll fill their days with travel or other entertainment. But Richard can still offer an answer to the "real" question: each white oak barrel holds 320 bottles of carefully aged, smooth Canadian Club Whiskey.

- Kristin Jass
Jay Johnson ended up in law school because of a fluke. "As I recall, a fraternity brother of mine needed to take the LSAT but didn't want to go alone. So I said that I would go with him — what the heck," says Johnson. The next thing Johnson knew, Louis Bartelt, then Dean of the VU School of Law, was knocking on his door. "Apparently they sent my test scores to the Dean. So he asks if I'm interested in coming to law school. I told him I was only a sophomore," he says, laughing, "but that visit planted the seed."

That seed eventually grew into a very successful career for Jay Johnson. He is currently Vice President of the Corporate Staff and General Litigation Counsel at the Dallas-based Texas Instruments Corporation. Much like the chance happening that eventually led him to law school, Johnson's career is speckled with good luck and serendipity. Coupled with long hours and hard work, his good fortune has led him on a path from the nation's capitol to the lone star state.

Though Johnson grew up in Valparaiso (his dad was a librarian at Valparaiso University), he sounds like a bona fide Texan. Easy going with a quick sense of humor, Johnson spins a good yarn with a
chuckle around every turn. He gives the impression that life has been a surprise for him — something unexpected around each corner.

The surprises started back at dear old Valpo. After graduating from VU in 1968 with a degree in electrical engineering, Johnson took Bartelt's advice and enrolled at the School of Law, from which he graduated in 1971. He confesses that law school "was a breeze" compared to his time in the engineering department. But when it came time to find employment, he was at a loss.

"I didn't really know what I wanted to do after graduation," Johnson says. "I interviewed extensively with appellate court judges in Chicago and eventually received an offer from Judge Otto Kerner in the Seventh Circuit." In the meantime, however, a posting for a position with the Justice Department caught his eye. That happenstance occurrence led him to an eight year stint chasing white collar criminals.

Johnson began in the Justice Department's Criminal Fraud Division where fate handed him another gift. "The first case I worked on was a mail fraud case against Judge Kerner," Johnson says with a note of irony. "I wonder what would have happened if I would have taken the job with Kerner instead of the Justice Department position?"

For the first five years with the Justice Department, Johnson was a road warrior spending 200-300 days of each year travelling. While most people would balk at the mileage, Johnson says the work with exciting. "We had a lot of sensational cases during the seven or eight years I was there." However, he and his wife decided that if they were going to raise a family, they had to get out of D.C. So they planned a homecoming, of sorts, travelling west to Minnesota. With other family members in the state, the Johnsons were looking forward to a slower pace and more time together ... until fate intervened once again. "We had picked out a farm and started to move when an SEC official invited himself over for dinner," Johnson explains. That dinner turned into more than a casual social call with Johnson agreeing to take a job with the Securities Exchange Commission in Texas.

So the move was on again, but this time to the SEC's Dallas-Fort Worth office in the civil litigation division. And true to form, excitement was around the corner. "I had a lot of good cases there, and I saw a whole lot of courtroom activity," Johnson recalls, "It was much faster and heated than my work for the Justice Department." One gets the idea that faster and more heated suit Johnson just fine.

Nevertheless, six years later Johnson found himself looking to private practice once again.

This time he managed to spend two years at a medium-sized firm without getting sidetracked... until Texas Instruments knocked on his door. In another twist of fate, Texas Instruments, which manufactures hi-tech products for government and private use, had gotten a hold of Johnson's resume. They saw his SEC and Justice Department experience and his electrical engineering degree and thought it was a joke — too good to be true. "My qualifications matched so perfectly with what they were looking for," he says. But it was no joke, and serendipity led Johnson further down its path.

When he walked through the doors at TI in 1986, however, Johnson had his work cut out for him. "They basically had three problems when I started," he says. "They were in the middle of a Grand Jury investigation for what the government thought was mistesting of parts that were used in high-profile programs like the space program. They also had a big class action suit on their hands involving allegations of
insider trading by the SEC. And finally, TI was just about being squeezed out of the semi-conductor business by Japanese corporations.

"The company was between a rock and a hard place," he continues. "and they either had to fight or die."

With Johnson in town, what do you think Texas Instruments decided? They chose to fight, and as Johnson puts it, "we got down to work." The end result? "We got out of the insider trading case very quickly without penalty. The Grand Jury investigation ran another two to three years and was eventually dropped without action. And, we were very successful in our license infringement litigation against several Japanese and Korean companies," he says. With all that out of the way, Johnson has time for his other daily duties which are considerable. Texas Instruments employs an in-house legal staff of 80 lawyers, 30 of which Johnson supervises. In addition, he spends a great deal of time on management and human resource issues. "In a typical day, some sort of ethics or compliance issue will come up that requires my attention. I'm constantly involved in discovery efforts or preparing clients for depositions. We're planning for hearings, we're dealing with personnel issues and we're conducting cost reviews," Johnson says.

Cost reviews? You bet. Texas Instruments is at the forefront of litigation management techniques. With an in-house legal staff equal to a medium-sized law firm, cost containment is a constant issue for Johnson. "There is always a tension regarding what is cheapest for the company," he says. "Do you use an outside firm or do you work in-house? No formula works for everyone, but when you're a global firm you've got all sorts of issues to consider. I can't say this focus on cost containment has been fun, but it has been rewarding."

In addition to their focus on cost containment, Johnson likes to brag about several other progressive strategies employed by Texas Instruments. "We're the first and only defense contractor to win the Malcolm Baldrige Award for Excellence," he says. "And we operate a voluntary disclosure program coupled with an internal compliance program which is considered to be the number one program in the country among other companies in our line of work," he adds.

Texas Instruments has also come out on top in its drive to collect international royalties. "I think we surpassed General Electric last year becoming the number one collector of royalties in the U.S.," Johnson says. "We have a fairly rich patent portfolio which means we litigate a lot of intellectual property cases. Last year we collected $2 billion on royalties — and you know, people don't just give you that money," he says, laughing. No, corporations give Texas Instruments royalty money because Johnson reaches into his bag of tricks — and it's a deep bag — and wins cases. His success is born of hard work, a few lucky breaks and ... corporate law classes at VUSL? "There wasn't even an intellectual properties course offered when I was there," he confesses. Although that has changed (VUSL now offers several IP courses), Johnson doesn't believe technical concentrations are critical to real world success anyway.

Johnson says that what a student needs to learn in law school is "how to be persuasive. You need to learn how to communicate. I would make activities like Moot Court required," he proclaims with characteristic intensity. "How you communicate your opinions to a client is about 70% of the job.

"If you can't teach the person who has hired you, then you're not a good lawyer," he says. Johnson, however, is a good lawyer. And if the destinies prevail, he will be a good lawyer in the lone star state or wherever the fates lead him next for a long time to come.

-Kristin Jass
Jon Walton always knew what he wanted. He is one of the fortunate few who know their minds and their abilities, and who choose to pursue what they know with passion. "I always wanted to be a corporate lawyer," he says. "That's exactly what I set my mind to do." He set his sights and squeezed the trigger ... and got what he wanted.

· Now Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary for Allegheny Ludlum, a Pittsburgh-based international corporation dealing in specialty steels, Walton speaks of his career with intensity and relentless good will. He loved going to law school, he valued his first jobs in the corporate arena, and he couldn't be happier working for Allegheny Ludlum.

"I do love my job," he says with conviction. "People who don't know me all that well say 'that guy is a workaholic.' I don't think I work too much, but it is true that I'm very intense about doing the best that I can. Every day I come in to work and thank my lucky stars for the people I'm working with." 

· Who is this company at which the employees are both hard workers and delighted to be counted as teammates? Allegheny Ludlum is a Fortune 500 company which posted sales of $1.1 billion in 1994. According to Walton, they should go over $1.3 billion in sales this year. The past three years have witnessed a growth spurt in this specialized industry, with companies around the globe posting 10-15% gains.

· The company's original claim to fame was the invention of stainless steel. Allegheny Ludlum still does a tremendous amount of its business producing and selling stainless steels, but also manufactures "specialty steels" used in everything from automobile frames to fast food equipment. The company ploughs a significant amount of its annual budget back into research and development, in search of new applications for hi-tech steels.

· Though there are 6,000 employees at Allegheny Ludlum, Walton's corner of the company
inhabited by only three other lawyers. This lean legal staff handles the entire gamut of AL’s judicial needs. “We’re probably the last bastion of true general practice lawyers,” Walton says. “In a small company, you have to know a little bit about everything.”

A self-described “jack of all trades,” Walton’s days are a whirling kaleidoscope of activity. “I deal with everything from complicated commercial transactions to run-of-the-mill transactions. I do some anti-trust work and spend a great deal of time training and talking to our people about anti-trust pitfalls,” he explains. Walton also gets involved in litigation he terms “bet the company” procedures — pivotal cases the company must win to maintain its market niche. And he also parcels out time working on mergers, acquisitions and divestitures.

Then, of course, there are securities law cases to handle. “I had my baptism by fire in this area when Allegheny Ludlum went public in 1987,” Walton says ruefully. “Previously we had been a privately held corporation, but when we went public I had to get up to speed very quickly and become proficient in securities laws.” Now AL hands its toughest securities cases over to an outside firm. As if all this weren’t enough, Walton also devotes a portion of his work week to intellectual property and technology cases. “We’re a world class leader in technology and the production of stainless steel, so intellectual property cases are very important to us,” Walton explains. Patents and licensing cases also fall within Walton’s bailiwick, adding more to his already full plate. With this daily barrage of duties ranging from one end of the legal spectrum to the other, one wonders how Walton prepared for this professional juggling act. “I knew from a young age that I wanted to be a lawyer,” Walton says, though he got sidetracked for a time as a result of bad advice. After graduating from Purdue with a B.S. in Industrial Management, Walton skipped law school and went to work because a local lawyer who was counseling students strongly advised against
pursuing a legal degree. "I guess this gentleman’s professional experiences had been negative, so he was telling students to stay away from the law," Walton relates.

But his original focus was not diverted for long. As it turned out, this taste of the business world after college only fueled Walton’s desire to pursue corporate law. So he enrolled at the Valparaiso University School of Law in 1966. Looking back on his time at VUSL, Walton says he is grateful for the diverse curriculum. "As I recall, students were required to take a wide variety of courses. Although I didn’t enjoy them all, I realized I couldn’t say I was a full-fledged lawyer without experiencing the gamut."

**His recipe for success includes "working hard and maintaining your balance" and, he says, "having some fun while you’re at it."**

Indeed, Walton practiced what he preached, keeping his focus on snaring a corporate position after graduation. In 1969, U.S. Steel offered Walton a job in their Pittsburgh offices — at that time he was one of one hundred lawyers working in the company’s legal department.

Despite the sheer numbers, Walton prospered at USX, thanks in part to a seasoned veteran. "I was fortunate during my four years at U.S. Steel," Walton says, "because I got good training from a crusty, old well-disciplined lawyer who taught me essential corporate skills."

Walton fought the temptation to become a specialist inside a huge corporate legal department, and in 1973 he left U.S. Steel for a job with another Pittsburgh-based steel company, Harbison & Walker. He spent the next thirteen years toiling with one other lawyer in Harbison & Walker’s legal department, such as it was. "It was really sink or swim time for me," Walton admits. "But I eventually became Vice President and General Counsel for the company and got quite involved with their international operations."

This shift into international affairs took Walton around the globe, to Harbison & Walker’s far-flung enterprises in Australia and Asia. But in the mid-80s, a downturn in the nation’s economy forced Harbison & Walker to begin divesting many of its international holdings. As Walton’s career began winding down at HGW in 1986, he started looking around for another corporate position.

"At that time, the pre-eminent job opportunity for someone in my line of work was as General Counsel for Allegheny Ludlum," Walton says. "I decided that if I could make a career move I would, and I got lucky — it was one of those 'in the right place at the right time' situations." Allegheny Ludlum was impressed with Walton’s experience in the corporate arena and made him an offer he didn’t refuse.

Eight years after that move, Walton is still glowing about his good fortune. "You know, just being a part of this company — that’s what I’m most proud of. If you ask any financial analyst that follows this industry, they will tell you that there is no better managed or successful operation," he says. "We’re quite profitable, we have outstanding people, and it’s a pleasure to be here."

Walton readily concedes that at this point in his career, and his life, he feels as if he has it all. "I’ve got everything going for me right now. There are only two things more important to me than my job — my family and my faith," Walton says. "And I think I’ve balanced those three."

For the more than twenty-five years, Jon Walton has set his sights and hit the mark. This simple yet profound philosophy has been his successful personal mantra from his well-loved law school days through his years of corporate achievement. In the end, Walton says, "I just hope people will say that I always kept my focus and that I kept it all balanced."

A final quote from the book of Walton: Keep it simple. Know what you want. Then go get it.

- Kristin Jass
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Report
We've reached the end of another academic year at VUSL and with it, the end of another Dean’s Annual Campaign. When I agreed to chair this year’s annual giving effort last summer, I had no idea what a rewarding experience it would be. I am proud to announce this year, with the partnership of hundreds of VUSL alumni, we’ve invested $1,037,170 of annual gifts in our law school. Thanks and congratulations to each of you who answered the call to volunteer some of your resources to support the work of the Dean, Faculty, and Staff.

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This year alone, your gifts sponsored, in full, projects such as:
- Our national championship team of Paul Richards and Chad Schielbein at the Sutherland Intellectual Property Moot Court Competition
- Research grant awards to Professors Blomquist, Dooley, Lind, Carter, and Adams.
- The completion of the Wesemann Computer Network, including much needed faculty and student computer upgrades and enhancements.
- The participation of students Daryl Witherspoon and Tricia Lapitan as teaching assistants in the summer national CLEO program.
- The expansion of our Career Services pro bono operation.
These are just a few examples of what, but for your support, would have been unfunded dreams of the past academic year.
I'd like to wrap up this campaign with a word of encouragement. I have long supported the School of Law and will continue to do so. But after my year as Chairman of the DAC, I have an even greater understanding of just how important annual alumni support is. Those of you who are regular partners in our mission, make sure VUSL hears from you again next year. And to those of you who have not yet made that commitment - I wholeheartedly recommend starting the habit in the 1995-1996 Campaign. Invest in your law degree by investing in the people who made it possible.

George Hass
Though commencement weekend is always a high point at the law school, this year's event received national attention as William H. Rehnquist, Chief Justice of the United States, delivered the keynote address at the 1995 commencement ceremony. The Chapel of the Resurrection was packed with the friends and family of VUSL's largest ever graduating class—171 men and women—to hear the Chief Justice's remarks.

With the Chapel's magnificent stained glass windows as a backdrop, Rehnquist admonished the graduates to understand the value of time in their professional and personal lives and to use their "free time" with care. "Those of you here today who have so far done little or nothing except attend school may well have the feeling that time is something of which you have an inexhaustible supply," he said. "Take it from one who has been on this planet a good deal longer than most of you—that is not the case."

"Time is a wasting asset, and most of us realize it too late to avoid spending a lot of it unwisely," Rehnquist said, challenging the graduates to consider their choices with care. "Another way to look at life is as a great shopping mall, not the usual kind where goods are purchased with money, but one where such things as worldly success, love of music, enjoyment of a painting, a six handicap in golf, a close relationship with your daughter, and other similar things are for sale."

"But the commodity with which they are purchased is not money but time. And quite contrary to the way the capitalist system works with money and goods, every one of us is given exactly the same amount to time in each hour, and in each day, and in each year."

"It is a limited amount, and it is impossible for anyone to be so rich in 'time' that he can enjoy every single one of the things which time may buy. Moreover, time cannot be saved, nor does it earn interest. So there is a choice to be made," Rehnquist concluded.

Class Advisor, Professor Bruce Berner, also spoke to the graduates, reeling off "The Top 10 Pieces of Advice for the Class of 1995." Coming in at number 10 was the admonition, "Listen carefully to your clients. You can learn more from them than they can from you." At number 8, "Withdraw immediately from any case in which you are required to address the Judge as 'Your Honor,' but the opposing lawyer gets to call him 'Sparky.'" Number 2 on the list, "Remember that you are the last class who had the honor of learning from our dear, departed colleague, Professor Charlie Gromley. Don't let him down." And topping Berner's list at number 1, "We loved having you. You got an education. Today you get a degree. There's just one thing left for you do to: Get a life!"
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1979
Frederick Dudderar was recently named a "Leading Attorney" by his peers as a result of a statewide survey of lawyers conducted by the publisher of Guidebooks to Law & Leading Attorneys. Frederick practices with the Duluth, Minnesota, firm of Hanft, O'Brien, Harries, Swelbar & Burns, P.A.

With apologies from the Editor, the Amicus is proud to announce that John Scott Smith is the "mystery alumnus" standing next to Professor Emeritus Al Meyer at Homecoming West 1994 (above.) Many thanks to all, and especially George Livarchik, for pointing out our omission.

1980
Norman Breen has moved to San Diego, California, where he has been named Senior Counsel with McDougal and Associates.

1981
Mark Van Epp's firm, Van Epps & Van Epps, announces the relocation of its office to: 318 North Water Street, Owosso, Michigan 48867.

1983
Jon Abernathy and his wife, Lee, are pleased to announce the birth of their third daughter, Grace Lee, on September 27, 1994. Grace joins sisters Caroline, age 8, and Laura, age 4.

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1925
Frances Tilton Weaver (above) was honored with a reception at Wesemann Hall in thanks for the donation of her "legal history" to the School of Law. Frances' gift included her 1925 diploma, Illinois and Indiana State Supreme Court Bar Admission Certificates, Leach Centennial First Woman Award, and a letter she received from Justice Sandra Day O'Connor following her visit here last April. Also, Frances recently completed endowment of the Frances Tilton Weaver Scholarship at Valparaiso University School of Law.

1954
Russ Shockey has joined Wheat Ridge Ministries as an area representative for the greater Chicago area.

1967
Roger Jensen was recently named a "Leading Attorney" by his peers as a result of a statewide survey of lawyers conducted by the publisher of Guidebooks to Law & Leading Attorneys. 2000 Minnesota attorneys were asked the question, "To whom would you recommend a friend or family member in need of legal assistance?" Only the most often recommended attorneys were selected as "Leading Attorneys," representing less than 5% of practicing Minnesota attorneys. Mr. Jensen was nominated in the category of labor & employment law and appears in the current edition of the Minnesota Business Guidebook to Law & Leading Attorneys. Roger is a partner in the Minneapolis, Minnesota, firm of Peterson, Bell, Converse & Jensen P.A.

1971
James F. Roegge was recently named a "Leading Attorney" by his peers as a result of a statewide survey of lawyers conducted by the publisher of Guidebooks to Law & Leading Attorneys. Roegge is currently a partner with the Minnesota firm of Meagher & Geer.

1973
Robert Truitt has been appointed Magistrate of the Starke Circuit Court in Knox, Indiana.

1975
Mary Rudasics Harper has been re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Indiana Judges Association. Harper, who is serving her tenth year on the bench, represents the 2nd District of Indiana, which includes judges in Porter, LaPorte, Jasper, Starke and Newton counties. The association works towards better and simpler administration of justice and hopes to establish and maintain clearer, more uniform procedures in all courts.

1977
Mark Bryan is currently the owner and CEO/President of Focus Resources and Bryan Multinational, both in Clearwater, Florida. Focus Resources is a business development firm and Bryan Multinational is an international distribution company.

1978
Stephen M. Tuuk has joined the Grand Rapids, Michigan, firm of Miller, Johnson, Snell & Cummiskey, P.L.C. as Of Counsel. Stephen will be adding his experience in the area of Corporate, Insurance and General Business law (specifically, securities, mergers and acquisitions, and business financing, including corporate law for insurance companies and risk financing). Mr. Tuuk was formerly with Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone.

1979
Frederick Dudderar was recently named a "Leading Attorney" by his peers as a result of a statewide survey of lawyers conducted by the publisher of Guidebooks to Law & Leading Attorneys. Frederick practices with the Duluth, Minnesota, firm of Hanft, O'Brien, Harries, Swelbar & Burns, P.A.
 Clarke Forsythe (above) has become the President of Americans United for Life (AUL) in Chicago, Illinois.

Joseph Jensen (above) has been named resident partner in May, Oberfell & Lorber's new Elkhart office. Jensen, a member of the firm's South Bend office since 1988, will continue to concentrate his practice in the areas of environmental and commercial litigation, insurance law, and product liability defense.

Daniel Leadley and his wife. Frances Pitts Leadley (VUSL '82), joyfully announce the arrival of their daughter, Sarah Frances, on May 22, 1994.

Porter County (IN) has chosen Guenn Rinkenberger as its first full-time county attorney. Rinkenberger had been the Chief Deputy Porter County Prosecutor since 1991, prosecuting some of the county's highest profile murder cases.

Greta Stirling Friedman and her husband have recently had their second child, Alexander Stirling Friedman. He joins 5 year old Margaux Alexandra. Friedman continues her work in the LaPorte, Indiana law firm of Yandt & Friedman doing civil and criminal work as well as the county's CHINS work.

Robert D. Brown has been made a partner with the Merrillville, Indiana, firm of Spangler, Jennings & Dougherty. Robert has two children - Megan, 7, and Scott 3.

Paul Kohlhofer has opened a law practice in Chesterton, Indiana. He will specialize in general legal practice with a concentration in the areas of tax and corporate and estate planning for individuals and small business. Previously, Paul served for seven years as a trial attorney with the Office of Chief Counsel with the Internal Revenue Service in Nashville, Tennessee.

Randy Ruff and Debbie Schavey Ruff are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Jason Robert Ruff, on April 9, 1995. Randy is a partner with the Chicago firm of DeHann & Richter and Debbie is a partner with Keck, Mahin & Cate in Chicago.

Mark Rutherford was recently elected to the director on the Board of Directors of the National Junior Tennis League of Indianapolis.

Lance Ryskamp was elected as a Lake County (IN) Councilman, representing Lake County's 4th District. Lance defeated a 16 year incumbent, and began his new position January 1, 1995, leaving the Highland Town Council on which he had served for the last three years. He is also beginning a public relations consulting business in Highland, Indiana.

Margaret Murphy has left active duty in the US Army and has taken a position as a civilian attorney at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Holland & Knight announces that Monique Spotts Johnson has been named a partner in its Lakeland, Florida, office. Monique practices in the areas of tax-exempt municipal finance, including general revenue bonds, industrial development bonds, and multi-family and single-family housing bonds.

Linda Taylor and her husband, John, announce the birth of their daughter, Katie Anne, in February 1994. She joins her three year old sister, Jennifer. Linda and John are completing an L.L.M. program in Charlottesville, Virginia, and remain on active duty in the Judge Advocate General's Corps.

Cynthia Rockwell was promoted to partner effective January 1, 1995, with the Fort
Wayne, Indiana, firm of Haller & Colvin, P.C. Following graduation, she served as a law clerk to the Hon. William C. Lee, Judge, United States District Court for the Northern District of Indiana, Fort Wayne Division. She joined Haller & Colvin in 1990. Rockwell concentrates her practice in the areas of employment and civil rights litigation.

1989
David J. Barker has been named a partner in the Hamilton County (IN) law firm of Church, Church, Hittle & Antrim, as of January 1, 1995.

Bill Hepron has thrown his hat into the ring and declared his candidacy for mayor of Valparaiso.

Paul Ritsema practices with the Grand Rapids, Michigan, firm of Dykema Gossett. He and his wife, Kristin, have two children, Hannah & Nathaniel.

1990
Robert Dassow has become a partner in the sports & entertainment law firm of Siegel, Eberhardt, Carter & Dassow in Indianapolis, Indiana. Some of the firm's clients include members of the San Diego Padres and Houston Astros baseball teams.

Anita Kushner Gordon received her LL.M. in Health Law from DePaul University College of Law in February, 1995. Her article, "Advance Directives Revisited - Proposal to Amend Illinois Laws Regarding Advance Directives" is scheduled for publication in the Journal of Health and Hospital Law.

1991
Jonathan Berkowitz passed the Florida Bar and relocated to the sunshine state. He's currently working as Staff Counsel to the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in their Miami offices.

Julie Griffith Riethmeier and her husband, Michael, are pleased to announce the birth of their first child, Theodore Frederick, on March 6, 1995. Julie is an editor with Lawyers Cooperative Publishing.

Paul Landskroener is an Assistant Attorney general in Minnesota. He also teaches at William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul. Paul writes that he has "taken up shape-note singing with great enthusiasm" and that he plays banjo and accordion for his own enjoyment and at small dances & parties.

1992
Evan Anderson is working as an analyst for Aries Capital Group, Inc., a merchant bank, in Los Angeles, California.

Jeffrey Clymer has become associated with the Valparaiso, Indiana, firm of Hoeppner, Wagner & Evans and will concentrate his practice in litigation. Previously, Jeffrey served as a law clerk to the judges of the Second Circuit Court in Berrien County, Michigan.

After completing his clerkship for the Hon. Robert D. Rucker and the Hon. John G. Baker on the Indiana Court of Appeals, Christopher LaBuse has been appointed Deputy Attorney General - Criminal Appeals for the Office of the Attorney General of Indiana.

Amy Lawrence Mader and her husband are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Katherine, on March 15, 1995. Amy is an associate in the South Bend, Indiana, office of Baker & Daniels.

Kathryn Makra was recently honored as a center volunteer trainer by the Indiana Law Enforcement Training Center. She instructs police departments throughout Porter County (IN) regarding cases of domestic violence. Kathryn is a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for Porter County.

Allison Riley Anderson has recently joined her father, Michael Riley, in the practice of law in Rensselaer, Indiana. Allison's mother, Patricia Riley, was appointed to the Indiana Court of Appeals in 1994.

David Johnson (photo) announces his marriage to Monica Henry on April 22, 1995 in Garland, Texas. David passed the Texas Bar exam is currently employed as a legal counselor for the employees of Frito Lay in Plano, Texas.

Michael Swart joined the felony division of the Cook County State's Attorneys Office in June of 1995.

Janine Sutton Hooley and her husband, Jerry, welcomed their third child, Catherine Diane, on November 11, 1994. She joins Christine, 8, and John 2. Janine works in program development and consulting for the Michigan City Chamber of Commerce, Kingswood Hospital, and the CATCH (Continuous Access to Comprehensive Health) for Kids Program. In addition, she maintains a busy part-time law practice.

Carlene Kay Week and her husband, Dan, are the happy and proud parents of Cassandra Kayla, born January 30, 1995. Carlene resigned from the McHenry County (IL) State's Attorney Office so that she could be home to care for Dan and Cassie.

1994
Eric Ciesielski has joined the staff of the Marshall County Prosecutor's Office in Plymouth, Indiana.

Helen Contos is an Assistant State's Attorney for the Cook County (IL) State's Attorneys Office in Chicago.

Angelina Mox has accepted a position with the Public Defender's Office in Woodstock, Illinois, and has recently become engaged to Scott Scarpelli (94), an attorney with the firm of Blatt, Hamesfahr & Eaton, in Chicago & London.

Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. has added Kim Newby as an associate in the International Department in the firm's Hong Kong office.
Newby, who is fluent in both written and spoken Mandarin Chinese, previously worked for the U.S. Department of Commerce, both in the United States and in China.

Jennifer Sackett (above) has recently joined the Jeff Diver Group in Glen Ellyn, Illinois as an associate member. Her practice focuses on assisting landfill owners and operators with numerous environmental legal issues, including maintaining compliance with regulations and post-closure activities. The Jeff Diver Group concentrates exclusively in the practice of environmental law and provides nationally available legal services to businesses, institutions and local governments.

N. Jean Schendel has recently had two of her articles published: "Banking on Confidentiality: Should Consumers be Allowed Access to the National Practitioners Data Bank?" in the Journal of Health & Hospital Law, October 1994, at 289, and "Will Consumer Access to the National Practitioner Data Base Mean Better Quality Health Care?" in The Indiana Lawyer, October 5, 1994 at 4. Jean is employed as an associate with the Fort Wayne, Indiana, firm of Rothberg Gallmeyer Fruechtenight & Logan specializing in health care law and civil litigation.

Lorena Tsarnas and her husband, John, announce the arrival of their daughter, Evie Laurene, born September 22, 1994. Lorie has joined the Law Offices of Garry Weiss in Merrillville, Indiana.

1995

Daniel A. Bartfield has accepted an Associate's position with Kightlinger & Gray in Evansville, Indiana.

Julie Ann Demange has joined Ruman, Clements, Tobin & Holub in Hammond, Indiana as an associate.

Richard DiTomaso will practice as an associate for Querrey & Harrow, Ltd. in Chicago, Illinois.

Christine Drager will serve as a Judicial Clerk for Judge James Singleton, U.S. District Court in Anchorage, Alaska.

Erika Faulkner is opening a solo law practice in Wyoming, Illinois.

Elizabeth Ann Flynn has accepted a position with the Assistant State's Attorney in Cook County, Chicago, Illinois.

Amy Hansen is practicing with the firm of Gary L. Lumsden in Roanoke, Virginia.

Tracy A. Helmer has joined the Michigan City, Indiana firm of Huelat & Gardner as an associate.

Chris Houghtaling will serve as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, for Muskegon County, Muskegon, Michigan. Chris was one of this year's recipients of VUSL's Public Service Grant Awards.

Karen Jenkins will be serving as an attorney in the U.S. Army JAG Corp., Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

Marjorie Howard Lawyer has accepted a position as Judicial Clerk to Chief Judge John Sharpnack of the Indiana Court of Appeals, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Justin Lebamoff will be working at the Lebamoff Law Offices in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Douglas Martz will serve as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in the Grant County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Marion, Indiana.

Ilse Masselink has joined the firm of Cholette, Perkins & Buchanan in Grand Rapids, Michigan, as an associate.

Christine McAsey has accepted a position as an attorney with the Will County Public Defender's Office in Joliet, Illinois.

Robert Null has become associated with Baker & Daniels in South Bend, Indiana.

John Prokos testified on behalf of the Indiana Wildlife Federation at a public meeting of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management in Northwest Indiana last October.

David Richards has joined Hinshaw & Culbertson in Chicago, Illinois, as an associate.

Kevin Scott Sprecher has joined Frost & Jacobs in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Peter VanderVeide has joined the Chicago, Illinois firm of Hoogerdoorn, Talbot, Davids, Godfrey & Milligan as an associate.

J. Robert Vegter will serve as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney in the Lake County Prosecutor's Office, Crown Point, Indiana.

Daryl Witherspoon will serve as an Attorney with the U.S. Army JAG Corp., in Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

In Memoriam

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