Newsletter about the Seventh Annual John F. Sonnett Memorial Lecture Series: The Most Lustrous Branch: Watergate and the Judiciary

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JAWORSKI TO DELIVER SONNETT LECTURE

The Seventh Annual John F. Sonnett Memorial Lecture will be delivered by Leon Jaworski, former President of the American Bar Association and former Watergate Special Prosecutor. Mr. Jaworski is currently a partner in the Texas firm of Fulbright and Jaworski. The lecture will take place on February 15, 1977 in the Pope Auditorium of Fordham’s Lincoln Center Campus.

This annual lecture series, a memorial to a distinguished litigator, John F. Sonnett ’36 has earned a national reputation as a forum on current legal topics. Among previous lecturers have been the Chief Justice of the United States, Honorable Warren E. Burger; Justice Tom C. Clark; the Lord Chief Justice of England, Rt. Hon. Lord Widgery; Judge Irving R. Kaufman, Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and last years provocative speaker, Honorable Robert J. Sheran, Chief Justice of the State of Minnesota.

Leon Jaworski was born in Waco, Texas, and studied law at Baylor University and George Washington University. As a colonel in the Judge Advocate General’s Department during World War II, he served as Trial Judge Advocate in major military trials in the United States, and later served as Chief of the War Crimes Trials Section of the U.S. Army in the European Theatre, where he personally prosecuted the first major war crimes.

He has been honored with the Legion of Merit, and holds no less than nine honorary degrees in law and juridical science. In 1971-72 he served as President of the American Bar Association, and is a former president of the State Bar of Texas, the American College of Trial Lawyers, the Houston Bar Association, and the Texas Civil Judicial Council. He has been special assistant to the U.S. Attorney General (1962-65), special counsel to the Attorney General of Texas (1963-65 and 1972-73), and adviser to President Johnson (1964-69). Currently he is Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The Southwestern Legal Foundation, Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, and Member of the American Law Institute.

His articles have appeared in the American Bar Journal, the Texas Bar Journal, the Journal of the American Judicature Society, and the Georgia State Bar Journal. He is the author of the book After Fifteen Years, a behind-the-scenes account of Nazi war crimes trials. His latest book, The Right and The Power, is a personal account of the Watergate investigations. He lives with his wife Jeannette in Houston, Texas.

After the lecture, Dean Joseph M. McLaughlin will host a reception in the Faculty Lounge of the Lowenstein Center for all Alumni and their guests.
It is the eventual goal of the program to have an alumni counselor for every member of the student body. Word-of-mouth advertising has increased student awareness of the program to the point where it is anticipated that additional alumni counselors will be needed soon (a number of alumni volunteers are already “doubled up”).

Based on last year’s experience, the time commitment for the alumnus involved about three meetings with the student during the year and approximately the same number of phone conversations. Alumni interested in participating in the program should contact Leslie Goldman at the Law School Placement Office.

CORPORATE LAW INSTITUTE ’76

The tax aspects of pricing of goods and materials between multinational corporations and their foreign subsidiaries is the topic at this year’s Fordham Corporate Law Institute. Now in its third year the Institute, which is entirely organized and operated by the Fordham Law Alumni Association, has achieved nationwide attention for the quality of its programs and prestige of its faculty. Unlike most legal seminars with local faculties the Fordham Institute each year brings together the leading authorities from around the world to discuss and lecture on the given topic. The prior years’ institutes focused on international antitrust problems and organizing international business deals.

Highlighting this year’s faculty are government officials from France—Andre Camelot; West Germany—Thomas Menck; Canada—R. Allan Short and the Director of the Office of International Operations from the Internal Revenue Service—Joseph G. McGowan. In addition other institute faculty members will come from London, Tokyo, The Hague, Stockholm and Paris.

The faculty was chosen after months of debate and consultation by a Planning Committee composed of Professor Edward Yorio of the Fordham Law School, who will coordinate the two day program and Paul Brenner ’67, Edward F. Rover, Michael H. Testa and Roger W. Thomas. Yorio calls this faculty, “The finest group of minds ever assembled on this topic.”

The institute will be held on November 9 and 10. Morning and afternoon sessions will take place at the Pope Auditorium. Luncheons are being held at the Metropolitan Opera House. Luncheon addresses will be given by Charles M. Walker, Assistant Treasury Secretary for Tax Policy and Marshall A. Cohen, Assistant Deputy Minister for Tax Policy of Canada.

The many background tasks of organizing the luncheons and receptions, making faculty arrangements with the Plaza Hotel, printing and mailing advertising have been coordinated by Professor Barry E. Hawk. His committee of Paul Bochicchio ’73, John Eyman ’73, Beverly Goodwin ’75, Ray Herbert ’73, Tom Hyland ’72, Mary Ellen Kris ’76, Ray James ’75, Bob Minyard ’72, Mary Mone ’75 and Bob Reilly ’75 have been at work on this since last spring.

The entire proceedings are published in book form by Matthew Bender and Company, Inc.
Forum on the Vice Presidency

The American Bar Association will conduct a one day symposium at Fordham Law School on December 3, 1976, on the Vice Presidency as an institution consisting of a review of the history of the Vice Presidency; a major segment dealing with the present selection process and the various reform alternatives; and some focus on the duties of the Vice President and proposals for change.

The main purpose of the Symposium is to provide a forum for an inter-disciplinary exploration of the Vice Presidency. The participants of the Symposium consist of both present and past public officials, political scientists, historians, lawyers and journalists including Senator Birch Bayh, Atlanta attorney Charles Kirbo, who assisted presidential candidate Jimmy Carter in his selection of a running mate, former Senator Margaret Chase Smith, former Massachusetts Governor Endicott Peabody, Professor James Kirby of New York University Law School, a former Chief Counsel of the Senate Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, Donald Young, author of a major work on the Vice Presidency, Professor Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., George E. Reedy, Dean, College of Journalism, Marquette University, and Joel Goldstein, a Rhodes scholar who is planning a work on the Vice Presidency. Invitations are outstanding to journalist David Broder, John Chancellor of NBC, Professor Paul Freund, Senator Robert Griffin, Clarence Mitchell of the NAACP, Senator John Pastore, former Vice President Hubert Humphrey and Vice President Nelson Rockefeller.

It is anticipated that the proceedings will be published in book form and will attract widespread media coverage.

CHAPTER NEWS

NASSAU-SUFFOLK

Chapter President Frank X. Marino '47 has announced plans for the 20th Annual Dinner Dance at the Crest Hollow Country Club at Woodbury, 8325 Jericho Turnpike in Nassau County. The date will be Friday evening, November 19, 1976 and the arrangements include a cocktail reception, a beautiful dinner and dancing to the melodies of the Paul Barry Band.

Always a very popular event, the evening is a wonderful occasion to see classmates and meet informally with the Fordham members of the Long Island bench and bar. Reservations at $20.00 per person should be sent to Chapter treasurer, James W. Dowling, 233 Seventh Avenue, Garden City, New York 11530.

Among other chapter plans are an attempt to personally approach each Fordham Law graduate in the area for a gift to the Law School campaign. President Marino further intends to host a reception for the Law School Class of '77 to give them an opportunity to meet potential employers among the alumni on the Island.

NEW JERSEY

The Jersey Chapter held two functions last Spring. In May, a cocktail party was held at Great Gorge in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the New Jersey State Bar Association. Edward V. Ryan '31 organized this annual event.

On June 9th an organizational cocktail party was held at the Gateway Downtown Hotel in Newark. Hon. William Hughes Mulligan, Dean Joseph McLaughlin and Association President John Feerick greeted the many alumni in attendance and reported on the progress being made at the Law School.

Francis P. Crotty '75, one of the organizers of the reception stated, “This group is a fine nucleus to put together a very strong chapter in the state. People are just beginning to realize the many important and influential positions held by Fordham people at the Jersey bench and bar.”

Francis P. McQuade '55, another organizer of this Chapter reports that fund raising and placement are high priorities for the group.

A dinner honoring prestigious Fordham graduates practicing in the state is scheduled for this Fall.

WASHINGTON

The Washington Chapter's three operating committees—Fund Raising, Recruiting and Counselling—expect to maintain their tempo in coming months. Under the direction of Bill Rogers '68, the Fund Raising Committee will coordinate its efforts with the central New York-based campaigns to reach all area alumni. The Recruiting Committee, chaired by Tony Siano '72, contemplates further contacts with local undergraduate institutions as a means of broadening Fordham Law's geographic appeal. Individual members of the Counselling Committee were active during the past summer in assisting recent Law School graduates to secure employment in Washington. Headed by Joe Reimer '74, this Committee is currently organizing the Chapter's second Washington employment symposium for Law School seniors, tentatively scheduled for November. Chapter President Dan Piliero '67 also expects that plans for another of the Chapter's notorious cocktail parties will be announced in the near future.

WESTCHESTER-PUTNAM

On June 14th in the Town Tavern, Bronxville, New York, the Fordham Law Alumni Association, Westchester-Putnam Chapter held its Nineteenth Annual Dinner Meeting. The largest turnout in the history of the Association was present for the honoring of the Hon. Malcolm Witon, former Governor of the State of New York and one of the most loyal of Fordham's alumni.

Toastmaster at the dinner was the Hon. William H. Mulligan, former Dean of Fordham Law School and Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals, 2nd Circuit.

George A. Brooks, President of the Chapter, presented a plaque to former Governor Wilson.

We are indebted to John J. Lee, Jr., Esq. of Bronxville, chairman of the dinner, for furnishing us with the above report.
President’s Letter

This is to report on the current work of your Association and the outstanding contributions that are being made to the Law School by a number of alumni.

We currently are engaged in our third Corporate Law Institute on a subject of international importance. The Institute, as you know, was created by a number of dedicated members of our Association at Dean McLaughlin’s request in order to establish a significant continuing legal education program at the Law School. Each of the last two Institute programs (i.e., International Antitrust and International Project Financing) has drawn to the Law School about 200 lawyers from all parts of the United States. Each had an international faculty of prominent public figures and lawyers. The proceedings of these programs also appear in a book published by Matthew Bender.

This year’s program, as our last two, culminates a year long effort by a number of Fordham and non-Fordham Law School graduates. To them is owed the great success of the Institute. Included in the planning group of this year’s program are Paul Brenner ‘67, and Roger W. Thomas, Edward F. Rover, and Michael H. Testa of the New York Bar. Professor Edward Yorio of the Law School has given endlessly of his time to continuing the tradition of excellence associated with the Institute’s programs. The arrangements for the 1976 program are being handled by an alumni committee headed by Robert Reilly ‘75 and consisting of John Eyman ‘73, Raymond L. Herbert ‘73, Thomas W. Hyland ‘71, Robert J. Minyard ‘72, Mary Mone ‘75, Raymond C. James ‘75, Beverly Goodwin ‘75, Paul Bochicchio ‘73 and Mary Ellen Kris ‘76.

As the market for legal jobs has declined, the Law School has had to reach out for help to its alumni. Toward that end, a committee of ten alumni have been working closely with the Law School’s Placement Office. This committee is chaired by the indefatigable Pamela Chepiga ‘73 and includes John R. Vaughan ‘64, John Kenny ‘69, Loretta Preska ‘73, Joel Davidson ‘74, J. Gregory Milmoe, Jr. ‘75, Stephen Farrell ‘71, Walter Kelly ‘74, Peter Goldman ‘72 and Gregory Freeman ‘73. Among other things, the Committee has sponsored a day long placement program at the Law School at the outset of the school year and is presently handling the details of the alumni counselling program. This program involves more than two hundred alumni, each matched with one or more students. The counsellors are giving of their time to talk with the students assigned to them and to discuss the various fields of law, and possible opportunities open to them. Because of the great student interest in the program, additional counsellors are needed.

A third program run by your Association is the Louis Stein Award Program. The first award dinner last May drew close to 200 leading members of the bench and bar to witness the presentation of the first award by Justice Thurgood Marshall to Judge Henry Friendly. In a May 21, 1976 editorial about the award, the New York Law Journal stated: “This is not just another award. It is hoped that it will gain in stature to honor the legal profession and achieve the general recognition that the Pulitzer Prizes do in the Arts”. The editorial added: “This is an historic occasion, and the donor of the award fund, Louis Stein, a Fordham Law graduate and former chairman of the Philadelphia-based Fair Stores, is to be congratulated for his devotion to the legal profession”. The tremendous success of the 1976 Louis Stein program was due in no small measure to the unsung efforts of an alumni committee consisting of Edmund Burns, Jr. ‘67, Pamela R. Chepiga ‘73, Sean Driscoll, William P. Frank ‘66, Simon P. Gourdine ‘65, Frederic B. Ingraham ‘69, Raymond James ‘75, J. Ward O’Neill ‘79 and Eugene P. Souther ‘59. A committee, which includes Raymond James, Frederic Ingraham, and Edmund Burns, is now at work developing the 1977 program.

At present an alumni committee headed by Joseph Reimer ‘74, and Anthony Siano ‘72, is at work on the Association’s 1977 Dean’s Day Program. The program, which is designed as an alumni home-coming event will feature workshops on subjects of interest to practicing Fordham lawyers. The day will be capped by a reception hosted by the Dean.

Other important activities of your Association include a major fund raising effort by another dedicated committee of alumni headed by the youthful Bill Meagher ‘27. Last year’s effort by Bill’s committee yielded the best results ever. More than $120,000 was contributed by the law school’s alumni.

This newsletter is made possible through the efforts of Tom Tobin ‘72, Bob Reilly ‘75, and Beverly Goodwin ‘75 who spend many hours at night and on weekends assembling the information and items contained in the Monitor.

Space will not permit a detailed description of other Association activities. I encourage those who may have an interest in participating in our activities to let us know. I wish to thank Frances Blake ’45 for her work as our Executive Director and our dues paying members for their support—without which we could not be a viable Association.

John D. Feerick ‘61

Alumni to Fete Judge Edelstein

The Law School and the Law Alumni Association will hold a reception in honor of Chief Judge David N. Edelstein to help celebrate his twenty-fifth anniversary as a Federal Judge. The event will take place on October 29, 1976 in the Faculty Lounge at the Lowenstein Center commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Judge Edelstein received his B.S., M.A. and LL.B. degrees from Fordham University. Although Judge Edelstein has been a United States District Judge for the Southern Circuit for twenty-five years his career in public service actually commenced in 1944 when he became an attorney in the Department of Justice. After that he served in various capacities in the Department of Justice for several years, assisted the President’s Temporary Commission on Employee Loyalty and was a member of the Legislative Committee for the Attorney General’s Conference on Crime in 1950. Judge Edelstein was appointed to his present position as Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York on July 1, 1971.
FUND RAISING

The results of the 1975-1976 Law School Fund Campaign, as recently reported by the University Development Office, are as follows:

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Discounting bequests, funds raised for the Law School total $123,406.00. Although this figure fell short of the goal of $150,000.00, it is the highest amount ever achieved since the Law School annual giving program has been established.

Encouraged by this result, the goals of the present Fund drive have been substantially increased. These new aims were announced by President James C. Finlay, S.J. and Dean McLaughlin at an organization meeting of the Annual Fund Committee held at the Barclay Hotel on October 14, 1976. This Fund regularly finances the continuing needs of the Law School, such as scholarships, the Urban Law Journal and library acquisitions. The special goal for this campaign is to establish a distinguished visiting professorship to be known as the "Bacon-Kilkenny Chair", in memory of the late Professors George Bacon and Victor Kilkenny, both of whom taught at the Law School for so many years and with such great distinction.

To accomplish these aims, the present campaign will extend over a period of two years.

Specifically the two-year goal is to raise a total sum of $650,000:

- $350,000 to complete the funding needed to establish the Bacon-Kilkenny Chair;
- $300,000 ($150,000 each year) to meet the annual needs of the Law School.

We wish to express our appreciation to those who have volunteered their time and efforts in the campaign as members of the Committee and also to urge all our Alumni and friends to respond as generously as their means will permit to the appeal which will be made to each one individually in the days to come.

WHEELER BUILDING

In the last edition of the Monitor, it was our sad task to report the sudden death of Patricia A. Wheelan, class of 1972. Pat's classmates have responded generously to the Alumni Association's establishment of a fund in her memory. Almost $1,000 has been raised to date which will be used to fund a collection of books relating to jurisprudence, a topic of great personal interest to Pat. Everyone wishing to contribute should send checks payable to "Fordham Law Alumni Association (Pat Wheelan Fund)", to the Association's office at 140 West 62nd Street, New York, New York 10023.

NOTABLES

The Class of '75 again this year continued its tradition of providing free tickets to seniors at the Law School to attend performances at Lincoln Center. A drawing was held in September awarding 8 pairs of tickets to performances of the Metropolitan Opera . . . The University Alumni Directory will be mailed during the week of October 15th to those who have placed orders . . . "The Twenty Fifth Amendment", the latest book by John Feerrick, the Association President, received very favorable review from the New York Times . . . some physical changes have taken place in the Law School building: the Placement Office has taken over most of the Student Lounge and the cafeteria has received a fresh coat of paint and new furniture . . . Marcel Philippe, a third year evening student, competed in the Olympic Games in Montreal this summer. Marcel had received national recognition as a track star during his undergraduate days at Fordham . . . a Fordham Prep student, Bobby Hackett won a Silver Medal in swimming at these same Olympic Games . . . Professor Barry Hawk's book on the 1974 Fordham Corporate Law Institute focusing on International Antitrust problems is available from Matthew Bender and Co.

STEIN AWARD

On May 27, 1976 the first Stein Award for professional excellence was presented to the Hon. Henry J. Friendly at a dinner at the Sky Club in New York City. Justice Thurgood Marshall made the presentation of a crystal trapezoid designed by Tiffany and Co. and an honorarium. In his remarks Justice Marshall praised the Law School for sponsoring an award which emphasized the "positive contributions" of lawyers to our society.

The New York Law Journal, in a front page editorial stated: "This is not just another award. It is hoped that it will gain in stature to honor the legal profession and achieve the general recognition that the Pulitzer Prizes do in the Arts.

This is an historic occasion and the donor of the award fund, Louis Stein '26 is to be congratulated for his devotion to the legal profession."

Already arrangements are being made for next year's award. At the direction of Edmund Burns '67 and Raymond C. James '75 letters soliciting nominations are being sent to the Presidents of the 50 State Bar Associations and Deans of all ABA accredited law schools. A national panel of attorneys will make the final selection.

LAW REVIEW

A recent survey indicated that the Fordham Law Review has gained widespread recognition as a leading legal periodical. Last year, we published a variety of Articles, culminating with an excellent symposium in our May issue, Quality Advocacy and The Code of Professional Responsibility. Our student pieces were cited by courts throughout the nation:

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This Fall, we will be publishing a comprehensive survey of state takeover statutes and an analysis of their constitutionality. Subsequent Articles will include examinations of landlords' ability to control tenant behavior and the intricacies of a liquidation under the Securities Investors Protection Act.

The Review has always relied upon strong alumni support through subscriptions. This support is even more crucial today because printing costs have increased dramatically. Therefore, I urge you to subscribe and help us to continue our work.

The annual subscription price is $12.00. Please call Ms. Ann Sullivan at (212) 956-3763 or write to the above address and we will mail the October issue to you promptly.

Eugene Cronin '77

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**CALENDAR**

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December
8—Law Alumni Christmas Party, Lowenstein Center, 5:30

January
—Sonnett Lecture, see p. 1
25—State Bar Luncheon

March
5—Annual Luncheon