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## Celebrating a Lasting Legacy: Frank Chiang

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## FRANK CHIANG\*

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Frank Chiang and I were born worlds apart. He was born in Taiwan and I was born in Brooklyn.

I first met Frank when he joined the faculty in 1972. He was hired by then Dean Joseph M. McLaughlin at a time when the Law School was looking to diversify academically and expand our curriculum to the international scene.<sup>1</sup> Joe was impressed by Frank's international background. Frank received an LL.B. from Taiwan University, a J.D. from the University of Chicago, and an LL.M. from Northwestern University. He had already published many articles in numerous journals both in the United States and abroad on various topics involving international and comparative law. In 2018, he published a book in Oxford, England, entitled *The One-China Policy: State, Sovereignty, and Taiwan's International Legal Status*,<sup>2</sup> which has been extensively cited.

He is multilingual—able to speak German, French, Russian, Taiwanese, Chinese, Japanese, and English. He taught a wide range of subjects, including: commercial transactions, commercial paper, secured transactions, international law, admiralty, a symposium on trade with Japan and China, and drafting UCC and business contracts. He has testified as an expert witness in the courts both domestically and abroad on international as well as comparative law. He was also an arbitrator at the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD) and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). He received double Bene Merenti Medals from Fordham University. Frank was always a team player—he was, at one time, president of the faculty salary negotiating community.

On a more personal note, my daughter Nancy was his student at the Law School and I taught his son David and daughter Amy when they were classmates together in the class of 2000. Amy is now practicing law in Hawaii and David is an assistant district attorney in Queens.

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1. John D. Feerick, *In Memoriam of Hon. Joseph M. McLaughlin*, 83 FORDHAM L. REV. 1711, 1712–13 (2015).

2. FRANK CHIANG, *THE ONE-CHINA POLICY: STATE, SOVEREIGNTY, AND TAIWAN'S INTERNATIONAL LEGAL STATUS* (2018).

Frank was always willing to help whenever the need arose and was always available to students. He taught every year in the Evening Division. He always had a smile on his face and never complained or spoke ill of anyone. I would like to thank his wife Lisa, daughter Amy, and son David for sharing Frank with us for so many years. I was privileged to call him my friend and wish him and his family eternal happiness. I will sorely miss him, as will the Law School and the students!