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George A. Hopper Moot Court

Summer 1995 Competition Results

This summer's 1995 George A. Hopper Moot Court Competition took place July 14th and July 15th. This semester's course was taught by Marlene Hubbell ('92) and Patti Williams ('93). Thirteen teams of students took part in the two-day competition followed by a reception at SJCL. The results were as follows:

First Place Team

Diana Mitts/Sara Blanchard

Second Place Team

Mark Koogler/Janice Westerberg

Semi Finalists

Vimala Nowlis/Angie Hill/Rochelle Scheidt;
Annette Ballatore/Lori Anderson;
Cathryn Hicks/Diana Mitts

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Third Place Best Brief

Rick Wolf/David Searson

This semester's competition required 63 judge positions and 21 timekeeper slots to be filled. "I'd like to thank everyone who volunteered to judge and keep time," Joan Lassley, SJCL's Law Coordinator says. "I had more volunteers to judge the competition than I needed. The response to my request letter was overwhelming from alumni and friends of the law school."

The following people served as a judges and timekeepers in the competition:

Judges

David Alderson ('94)

Steve Bolm ('95) 2 rounds

Carla Bourne ('93)

Tim Buchanan

Karen Burt

Lloyd Carter ('94)

Jerry Demelo ('95) 3 rounds

Peter Dickrell ('94) 2 rounds

James Donabed ('78)

Larry Donaldson ('75)

Charles Dreiling ('80)

Dr. Bud Ellis ('89)

Paul Fairless ('94) 2 rounds

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Judith Hall ('91) 2 rounds

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Michael Marderosian ('77)

Janet Maus ('89)

Hon. Vincent McGraw (Faculty)

Chris McLain ('95)

Gitta Merrill ('95) 2 rounds

Laurence Meyer ('87)

David Minyard ('93)

Elizabeth Mitchell

Hon. H.N. Papadakis

Mark Pasculli ('94)

Sally Perring (Faculty)

James Petrucelli ('89)

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Message from the Dean

Dean Janice L. Pearson

Alumni surveys always yield surprises. When SJCL alumni were recently asked what goals the school should set for the next 5 and 10 years, the most frequent response was the attainment of ABA accreditation. Making ABA accreditation a priority is, of course, a major policy decision for the Board of Trustees, but certain recent events may make the prospects for success brighter.



First, most ABA accredited institutions hold library collections of a minimum of 100,000 bound volumes. The annual upkeep and space requirements for such collections are staggering. Maintenance of SJCL's currently 23,000 volumes cost \$90,000 (excluding personnel costs) in fiscal 1994-95. Sustaining massive hard bound collections seems inefficient with the advent of WestLaw/Lexis and CD Rom technology. In reality, SJCL students have access to hundreds of thousands of volumes through those systems, often directly from their home computers.

The ABA, however, has been slow to recognize computer access as an acceptable substitute for lesser used resources. Now the ABA has launched a study and reconsideration of its library standards in light of computerization. Recognition of computer access may be a benefit to smaller institutions like SJCL.

Second, the ABA has recently agreed to reexamine the manner in which it accredits law schools in response to pressure from the Justice Department about potential anti-trust violations. In particular, the ABA agreed to drop its requirement that a law school seeking accreditation pay its faculty and admin-

istration at levels comparable to other ABA-approved schools. In addition, the ABA agreed to revamp its accreditation criteria with regard to teaching loads and student/full-time faculty ratios. These rules have disadvantaged institutions like SJCL which emphasize teaching and skills over research and more heavily utilize practitioners as adjunct faculty.

The final form of any new rules is unknown, but they may recognize the value of alternative approaches to legal education that are successful. This would improve SJCL's chances of success and, therefore, its ability to make all options available to its graduates.

Third, to fill its own needs, SJCL has taken steps that would also be critical to ABA accreditation. The new building is utterly essential. SJCL has now taken possession of the site. With each investigation we find new features of the building that will ultimately turn it into a facility beyond most expectations. It will be a prize for SJCL and the City of Clovis.

Further, SJCL's newly hired librarian, Terri Rogers, comes to us from an ABA institution. SJCL's student population hovers at the critical mass for accreditation. The bar passage rate is climbing, and SJCL's default rate on student loans is admirably low at 3.2%.

When Judge Eyman, John Loomis, and Judge Wanger founded SJCL in 1969, surely ABA accreditation was just a gleam in someone's eye. It may not be the unattainable dream anymore. ■

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Alumni Update

By Steven R. Hrdlicka
SJCL Alumni Association

In our continuing effort to keep you informed, we hope you find the following updates informative. In addition to alumni reunions (August 19th this year), or the alumni directory being put together by the College, please feel free to contact me at 209/485-1453 should you need help in locating an alumnus.

Hon. Nancy Ann (Currier) Cisneros, '80, the valedictorian of her class, served as a Juvenile Court Referee for 6 1/2 years. Since October 1994, she has continued as a Referee for the Fresno Superior Court, Family Law - Department 90.

Gerald Ray Lewis, '81, is a sole practitioner, associated with Culy and Lewis. He practices in the areas of plaintiff personal injury, family law, and federal criminal law. Gerald is also a Board member of the Fresno State Diamond Club (softball).

Sheri Fisher, '91, is not currently practicing in the legal field. She has worked as a dispatcher for the Fresno Police Department since 1976.

David J. Weiland, '92, is a licensed civil engineer who effectively uses his experience in construction and real estate litigation. David is currently the first vice president of the board of trustees of the Bulldog Foundation and will become president January 1, 1996. The Bulldog Foundation raises money for the athletic department, and David is proud of his involvement in helping to raise \$5.3 million in 30 days.

Patricia Nichols, '94, was hired in January as the Superior Court Program Coordinator for the Probate division. She supervises the Probate Examiners Office and is thrilled to have been selected for this position. Patricia started as a civil litigation secretary in 1975 and worked as a Probate Paralegal for 13 years. With law school behind her, she now has a little more time to devote to her skills in tennis and rollerblading.

New Building A Reality

We officially took possession of the building on August 1, so the first step of SJCL's quest for a new building is a reality. And as summer draws to a close, we are making last minute preparations for the major push in the Capital Campaign. During September and October the formal "drive" will take place, and SJCL's volunteer fund raising teams will be contacting potential donors personally for contributions toward the new building.

In addition, the Dean and members of the Advancement Department and are also preparing proposals and meeting with local corporations to join us in this worthwhile community project. Always on the lookout for potential funds from foundations, the Advancement Department has again extensively researched several sources for more foundations that might be interested in contributing to the reformation of the "Old Clovis High School" into the new San Joaquin College of Law building.

As always, we welcome your comments and suggestions toward making our Capital Campaign a success. Please contact Kristin Robinson, Associate Dean for Advancement, at 209/225-4953 with your information. Thanks! With your help, San Joaquin College of Law will continue *Building on Success!*

Make Your Reservations to Save Money!

Again, this year SJCL will be selling *Entertainment '96* Books. All proceeds will go to the "Building On Success" Campaign, and these valuable coupons will save you money on such items as meals, movie tickets, admission to events, hotels, and products.

Please contact Joan Lassley (225-4953) to reserve your book today! ■

Student Bar Association Message

By Christie Ballard, President

I had occasion recently to look at the photograph that was taken of me at registration when I was a first-year law student. It caused

me to reflect for a moment about these last three years and what still lies ahead.



Maybe the beginning of the school year is a good time for reflection. That's a little odd, though. We tend to reflect at the tail end

of things, and not generally at the starting line.

These starting lines keep popping up in front of us, as we set new goals and dream new dreams. The nice part is that, from each new starting line, we have the opportunity for a new perspective from which to reflect....

To my classmates who will graduate next May, reflect on where we have already been. Stay focused on the task before us. This year is not the time for complacency.... there is still much to do. The law school experience has been a tremendous challenge....and we have managed to survive, so far... some of us, in spite of ourselves.

To the returning students, take a moment to recall the enthusiasm we shared collectively at day one. Neophytes who didn't know a summary judgment from a subpoena duces tecum but were excited at the prospect of figuring it out. Let's keep that enthusiasm with us.

To the 1995-1996 First-Year class, WELCOME! This will surely be one of the most exciting undertakings of your lives. For the moment, reflect on what has brought you here to begin this adventure. Keep sight of the fact that the profession we seek is a noble one, dedicated to the service of others. Help us to foster that spirit here at San Joaquin College of Law.

So, to each of you at the 1995-1996 starting line, best wishes for a successful year. Be supportive of each other. ■

MCLE Update

In response to your requests, San Joaquin College of Law is pleased to offer the following continuing legal education programs this fall. Several of the programs will satisfy the MCLE requirement for special subjects and also will provide credit for CPAs.

Live Programs

The Four C's of Professionalism: Court, Counsel, Client, Community, Saturday, September 23, 1995 from 9:00 - 11:45 a.m. at SJCL. MCLE Credit. Speakers: Hon. Lawrence J. O'Neill, Hon. Brad Hill, Paul S. Hokokian, Esq. of the District Attorney's Office, Dale Ikeda, Esq. of Blumberg, Seng, Ikeda & Albers

The 9th Annual 1995 Central California Bankruptcy Institute in cooperation with the Central California Bankruptcy Association. Thursday and Friday, September 28 and 29, 1995 from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Fresno Hilton. MCLE and CPE Credit. Speakers to include: Hon. Robert E. Coyle (Fresno), Hon. Brett Dorian (Fresno), Hon. Christopher M. Klein (Sacramento), Hon. Keith M. Lundlin (Nashville), Hon. Jane Dickson McKeag (Sacramento), Hon. Michael S. McManus (Modesto), Hon. David E. Russell (Sacramento), Lawrence P. King, Esq. of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz (New York), Robin E. Phelan, Esq. of Haynes & Boone (Dallas)

Principles of Reverse Mortgages in cooperation with The Anderson Group and Commonwealth Land Title Insurance Company. Saturday, October 14, 1995 from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at SJCL. MCLE and CPE Credit. Speakers: Gary L. Anderson, B. Michael Anderson, Linda A. Wheeler, Reverse Mortgage Consultants with The Anderson Group (San Jose)

Choice of Business Entity in Today's Environment with Emphasis on Limited Liability Companies, Saturday, October 21, 1995, from 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. at SJCL. MCLE and CPE Credit. Speakers: Robert A. Mallek, Esq. of Dietrich, Glasrud & Jones, Robert F. Price, CPA of Price, Page & Stewart Accountancy Corporation, Janet L. Wright, Esq. of Musick, Peeler & Garrett

Family Law Developments and Strategies in cooperation with Matthew Bender & Co., Inc. Saturday, October 28, 1995 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at CSUF, University Business Center. MCLE Credit. Speakers: Kathryn Kirkland, Esq. (San Francisco), Ira H. Lurvey, Esq. of Lurvey & Shapiro (Los Angeles), Diana Richmond, Esq. (San Francisco), Professor Richard M. Cartier, Esq. of San Joaquin College of Law

Quality Law Firm Management: Saving Time and Maximizing Profits, Saturday, November 4, 1995, 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. at SJCL. MCLE Credit. Speakers: Susan B. Anderson, Esq., Fresno County Clerk, James J. Lanas of Lanas & Associates, Ellen M. Jahn, Esq. of Lozano, Smith, Smith, Woliver & Behrens

Substance Abuse and Emotional Distress in cooperation with The Other Bar. November, 1995 at SJCL. MCLE Credit. Speaker: Richard Kirkeby of The Other Bar

Video Replay Programs

Summary Judgment and Summary Adjudication in cooperation with The Rutter Group and the Fresno County Bar Association. Tuesday, September 12, 1995 from 6:00 - 9:15 p.m. at SJCL. MCLE Credit. Video Panel Moderator: Judge Ira A. Brown, Jr. (Ret.) of the San Francisco Superior Court

Professional Malpractice in cooperation with The Rutter Group and the Fresno County Bar Association. October, 1995 at SJCL. MCLE Credit.

Experts & Hearsay: What Every Trial Lawyer Must Know in cooperation with National Practice Institute. Friday, November 17, 1995 from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at SJCL. MCLE Credit. Speaker: Professor Faust F. Rossi of Cornell Law School

Watch for these programs coming in Spring, 1996...

Civil Trial Skills Seminar Series Panel Chairs: Hon. Stephen J. Kane, John H. Baker, Esq. of Baker, Manock & Jensen, Mario Beltramo, Esq. of McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard, Wayte & Carruth, Donald H. Glasrud, Esq. of Dietrich, Glasrud & Jones, Robert K. Hillison, Esq. of Caswell, Bell, Hillison, Burnside & Greer, Peggy Liggett, Esq. of Liggett & Kemp-Williams, Michael G. Marderosian, Esq. of Marderosian, Swanson & Oren

Criminal Law Update Speakers: Hon. Wayne Ellison, Charles Dreiling, Esq. of the Public Defender's Office, Donald Penner, Esq. of the District Attorney's Office, Salvatore Sciandra, Esq.

For further information on these MCLE seminars, please contact Michele Creighton or Sydney Fournet at 225-4953.

REMINDER

Attorneys with a last name starting with N through Z need 36 hours of MCLE credit including 8 hours in Legal Ethics/Law Practice Management, 1 hour in Substance Abuse and 1 hour in Elimination of Bias by January 31, 1996!

SJCL Profiles

Gwen Watt

Director of Financial Aid

As the Director of Financial Aid, Gwen sees a majority of SJCL students at some point of their education. "I enjoy working with the students vs. the impersonal numbers. I realize how important financial aid is; a lot of SJCL students couldn't come here without it."



Gwen finds that the biggest challenge of her job is keeping up with all the rules and regulations for all the different kinds of financial aid such as the student loan programs, federal grants, work-study and V.A. benefits. "There are constant regulatory changes and the challenge is making sure that we stay in compliance."

When Gwen first started at the law school in 1992, she was the Administrative Assistant to the Paralegal Program, and she helped out in law admissions, financial aid and the accounting department. As the amount of paperwork and the student population of SJCL grew, she moved to half-time in both financial aid and the paralegal program. Next, she became a full-time Financial Aid Officer. In August 1994, she became the Director of Financial Aid.

Before Gwen came to SJCL, she worked for five years at Donald G. Watson & Associates, a financial aid consulting firm. She started as a funder, and before she left, she was the supervisor of a unit of six people and responsible for the administration of financial aid for 25-30 schools.

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Darlene Azevedo

Adjunct Faculty Tax Program Coordinator MCLE Advisor

Caswell, Bell, Hillison, Greer, Burnside & Azevedo's loss of Darlene Azevedo has been San Joaquin College of Law's Tax and MCLE Programs' gain. Darlene retired from Caswell, Bell in 1994 after being a partner there for seven years. Her retirement enabled her to recently accept a part-time position with SJCL's MCLE Department.



"I was impressed with SJCL's commitment to providing quality continuing education programs," Darlene says. "I'm excited to be a part of the team putting together this year's MCLE courses. In particular, I think the Civil Trial series will fill an important educational need for our area."

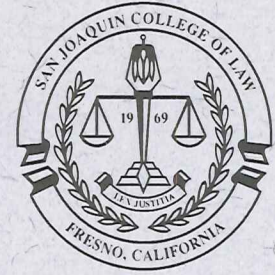
Darlene's involvement with the tax program is similar. "We're working on adding more continuing education classes for accountants because that's what CPAs have asked for."

Darlene received her B.A. from U.C., Berkeley in 1971. "I attended Berkeley during the 'riot years', and I didn't know what I wanted to do. I just wanted to graduate." After graduation, Darlene worked as a secretary to an attorney and found that she liked the legal field. She enrolled in Golden Gate University School of Law and graduated in 1976. In 1982, she received her L.L.M. (Tax) from New York University School of Law.

Darlene first taught at SJCL in the Tax Program while she worked at McCormick, Barstow as an associate (1982-85) and then a partner (1985-87). "Steve Rau was involved with the tax program then, and he convinced me to give teaching a try. I discovered that I liked it and taught for four or five years."

This year, Darlene will teach two law classes, in addition to her work with SJCL's Continuing Education Programs.

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Law Review Enters Sixth Year

By Dennis M. Gaab
Editor-in-Chief

San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review

The San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review is both an organization and a publication. As an organization, the San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review is guided by a national editorial board and an advisory committee consisting of individuals with broad experience and demonstrated success in the agricultural, legal and business communities. The organization is further guided and supported by members of the administration and faculty of San Joaquin College of Law.

As an annual publication, the *San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review* is the single law-school-sponsored law review in the country devoted entirely to agricultural issues. A board of editors consisting of students of the law school manage the day-to-day operations of the Law Review and exercise complete autonomy over the selection of articles and other materials to be published, as well as producing the publication itself.

The Law Review has several purposes. It is first and foremost a vehicle to challenge San Joaquin College of Law students who have demonstrated superior academic achievement and a commitment to sound legal research to extend their education beyond the traditional classroom environment. Editors, staff and candidates alike function as members of a team focused on the production of a scholarly work designed to meet the needs for information and analysis of contemporary issues in the areas of agriculture, business and the law.

It is this dissemination of information which lies at the heart of the *San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review*. The 1995 edition, volume 5, contains a symposium on federal marketing orders. Various praised and criticized by industry representatives, and generally maligned by consumer advocates, marketing orders are often misunderstood by those not directly influenced by them in the agri-business community. Marketing orders are least understood by the vast majority of consumers who depend upon a national food distribution system deeply affected by mar-

keting orders to provide them with adequate supplies of high-quality fruits, vegetables and dairy products at affordable prices. Volume 5 provides readers with information about the complex legal dimensions and real-world effects of marketing orders in a manner which the seasoned veteran is likely to find stimulating and the novice to find readily understandable.

Equally topical, but more regional in scope, volume 3 of the San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review contained a symposium on the Central Valley Project Improvement Act. The lifeblood of California agriculture water is also an essential element of survival for the state's urban centers, which represent some of the nation's largest cities. The series of articles presented in the symposium was intended to

distill the legal aspects of a complex, multifaceted subject to their essence, thereby providing the reader with critically important information in an accurate and timely manner.

First published in 1991, the *San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review* is entering its sixth year of serving the educational needs of San Joaquin College of Law students and the informational needs of agricultural, business and legal interests throughout the country. The value of the Law Review to participants and readers alike is seen in the editors' willingness to address significant, sometimes controversial, issues in a scholarly manner and to produce and disseminate meaningful, accurate information of contemporary interest.

So, how do enterprising students become members of the Law Review? Students who place among the top 20 percent of their academic class, or who place at the highest levels of their first-year legal research and writing classes, are invited to become members of the Law Review. A write-on competition is conducted at the beginning of each academic year to afford other capable and committed students the opportunity to participate in and benefit from the Law Review experience. Those students who choose to become a part of the Law Review not only add a unique dimension to their law school education, they also help enhance the inventory of information and knowledge upon which members of the agricultural, business and legal communities rely.

The Law Review enters its sixth year recognizing that the commitments in time and resources by students, faculty and friends are essential ingredients in its success. It is with grateful appreciation that the Law Review acknowledges contributors in the opening pages of each volume.

Students and others with questions or comments concerning the Law Review are encouraged to contact members of the editorial board. ■

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Thank You!

Paralegal Profile

By Pam Ramirez
Director, Paralegal Department
Director, Placement Services

Instead of our usual Paralegal Profile, in this issue we decided to recognize some of the paralegal alumni who have chosen to go on to law school.

The paralegal profession for many, in fact for most people, is the goal, the end, not just the means to an end. Students who enter the paralegal program strive for a challenging career in law as the organizer, researcher, attention-to-detail driving force behind the attorney. But for a considerable number of SJCL paralegal alumni that wasn't enough. For many the paralegal program served as an appetizer for the study of law. Once they were involved in the program and the profession, they wanted even more. So off to law school, they went.

After reviewing the paralegal alumni list, it was interesting to note that almost 10% of the paralegal graduates do go on to law school. Most attend SJCL, while a few have gone elsewhere. Most not only complete their studies but also do so at the head of the class.

The first paralegal class produced three outstanding examples. Ellen Jahn, who is now an attorney with a firm specializing in labor law, attended SJCL. Doug Spoons attended McGeorge and is, at last word, overseas prac-

ticing international law. Diane Lushbough, also from the 1982 paralegal class, is in private practice in Fresno after attending SJCL's law program.

Many SJCL paralegal alumni, through the years, have made us proud in their law school pursuits, receiving many awards, scholarships and actively participating in the Student Bar Association. In the 1995 graduating class, Ken Carver, Pat Harter, Karen Mathes, and Barry Matson all started the law program shortly after completing the paralegal program as kind of a "trial run." Pat Harter will complete the circle by returning as an instructor in the paralegal program this fall.

For those who want the "Baskin-Robbins' sample bite" before heading to law school, the paralegal program offers an excellent taste of Tort Law, Contract Law, Business Organizations, Legal Analysis and Research and Writing (similar to the first year law program) plus Civil Litigation and various other courses preparing graduates to work in a law office as their final goal or while they attend law school. ■

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Timekeepers

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Mark Asami (2nd year Law)
Haven Courtney
Michelle Green (3rd year Law)
Bob Meade (Paralegal student) 5 rounds
Susan Murray (4th year Law)
Nick Pavlovich (2nd year Law) 2 rounds
Pam Ramirez (Staff)
Mark Suddjian (2nd year Law) 3 rounds
Clint Wilcox (Paralegal student) 2 rounds
Judith Wright (2nd year Law)
Robert Wright (2nd year Law)

News Briefs

Welcome Terri!

We welcome Terri Rogers from Wixom, Michigan to SJCL's staff. She will be the new Law Librarian effective August 14th. Previously, she worked in the library at Detroit College of Law. ■

Corrections

Two corrections from the July 1995 issue of *Inter Alia*:

Gary A. Colbert graduated with distinction in May 1995.

Linda Raiche organized and assisted with the move of Baker, Manock & Jensen; she did not oversee the building construction. ■

Alumni Directory

There has been an overwhelming response to the Alumni Directory Publication. Many thanks to all who have purchased one. Don't be left out, contact Catherine Cline (225-4953) to purchase yours for only \$10.00! ■

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Gwen is looking forward to the move to Clovis for personal and professional reasons. "The new building is about two miles from my house. It also seems so much more like a school to me. The building will give students a good first impression, and it will be a place they will be proud to attend."

Gwen enjoys spending time with her family, her husband Mike and her kids, Brian, 15 and Carey, 12. "The kids are at the age where they are involved in a lot of activities, so they keep me busy." She also enjoys gardening, especially tending to her roses, reading, traveling and waterskiing. Her nearly new house of two years also keeps her busy.

Thank you, Gwen, for all you do for SJCL!

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When she isn't busy at SJCL, Darlene enjoys traveling. She has a trip to Israel planned for January 1996.

Darlene is also a proud first-time grandmother. Aniessa Danae Hinojosa was born July 13, 1995 to Darlene's daughter and son-in-law. Welcome back Darlene! Thanks for all you do at SJCL! ■

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