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## **OFF TO A GOOD START:**

## Enrollment is up for the 1998-99 year

With an entering class of 87 for the 1998-99 school year, SJCL has beaten the national trend toward declining law school enrollment and has surpassed its own internal enrollment goals set for the 1999-2000 year.

The Class of 2002 began it's studies at SJCL on August 14 with an interesting mixture of students. The class is almost evenly divided between the sexes, with 45 female and 42 male students. In addition to several second career students, the class also includes four siblings related to current SJCL students, one spouse of a current student, one student who relocated from Ohio and another from Nebraska as well as several in-state students who relocated to the Fresno area in order to attend SJCL.

There are fifteen Central Valley communities represented among the class. Although Fresno and Clovis represent the largest percentage of the students (with 45 and 12 students respectively), there are nine students from Visalia. The geographic population of the class ranges from Merced in the north to Porterville in the south.

To encourage easy access for out-of-the-area potential students, SJCL now has its own web page (www.sjcl.org) and interested students can e-mail Admissions Director Joyce Morodomi directly with questions about the school.

## SJCL Receives \$48,750 for Law Review from USDA

San Joaquin College of Law has been awarded a \$48,750 cooperative agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture to publish a symposium issue of the law review on the New Wave of Rural Agricultural Cooperatives. The publication date for the

issue is set for January 2000.

Although there has been a growing trend towards rural agricultural cooperatives, little has been published on the legal issues surrounding the cooperatives and their programs. The symposium law review will address such pressing issues as recapitalization of cooperatives, the role and potential liability of cooperative directors, agricultural bargaining associations and joint ventures by cooperatives.

The San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review is an ideal vehicle to

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## **CLOVIS LAWYER SARAH** SCHMIDT RETIRES AS SJCL MOOT COURT COACH

After ten outstanding years, Sarah Schmidt has retired as Moot Court Director of San Joaquin College of Law. Schmidt, a 1988 graduate of SJCL, is a partner in Schmidt Hubbell LLP, located at 619 Woodworth Ave. in Clovis.

"Sarah's long hours of coaching and tireless dedication are the reasons that SJCL's Moot Court teams enjoy a national reputation for excellence," said Dean Janice Pearson. "We will miss her leadership and her energy."

Long active in animal rights causes, Schmidt now plans to devote more time to rescuing abused and abandoned horses and greyhounds.

Sarah began her Moot Court career as a student at SJCL. In March, 1986, she and Tamera Cone Tridade ('88) placed second in the F. Lee Bailey National Moot Court Competition in San Diego.

Immediately upon graduation, she took over as SJCL Moot Court Program Director and set about putting SJCL on the Moot Court Competition map. Under her guidance, SJCL soon began an impressive record of wins at national moot court competitions where the majority of the competition was from major ABA institutions.

Thanks to her countless hours of coaching and conducting practice rounds, the SJCL team took first place at the Spring, 1990 Polsky National Criminal Law Competition. That same spring, the SJCL team won second place for Oral Argument and Best Appellant Brief at the National Tax Moot Court Competition sponsored by the Florida State Bar.

In a return trip to the Florida competition in the spring of 1992, the SJCL team walked away with every award available, including Best Oral Argument; Best Individual Advocates (both first and second place); Best Appellant Brief and Best Overall Brief.

Not content to just coach students for out-of-town competitions, Sarah undertook the arduous task of organizing and conducting the National Agricultural Advocacy and National Environmental Advocacy competitions in Fresno in 1992 and 1993.

In February, 1995, Sarah prepared the SJCL team for the National Sports Law Moot Court Competition in New Orleans—and, again, SJCL came home a winner with the awards for First and Second Best Individual Oralists.

Sarah's final appearance as SJCL Moot Court Coach echoed previous triumphs as the SJCL team took third place overall honors at the 1998 Florida Moot Court Tax Competition.

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# Law Alumni Profiles The Class of 1978

This year is the TWENTIETH Anniversary of the graduation of the Class of 1978. This graduating class is unique because it included SJCL's one full-time, day-only class. Of the 48 graduates of the Class of 1978, half began in Fall of 1974 in the night program and half began in Fall of 1975 in the day program. Throughout 1998, in no particular order (well, actually, the order in which I was able to reach them), *Inter Alia* will highlight the lives of the graduates of 1978. I look forward to talking with each of you soon.—Dean Jan.

### JUDY EVANS DEERTRACK

In 1985, Judy left the conventional practice of law when she married Richard Deertrack, a Native American traditionalist, and left California for Taos Pueblo, New Mexico. Judy and her husband formed the consulting firm of Deertrack & Associates. She uses her legal training to serve as a liaison between Tribal Governments and their attorneys on natural resource issues. Judy has worked as a lobbyist in Washington, D.C. and has assisted litigation teams on the sensitive cultural and environmental issues surrounding Taos Pueblo. Taos Pueblo was declared a World Heritage Site by the United Nations in 1992.

Judy states that Native
Americans do not compartmentalize
life. Recreation and work
intermingle with service to community and family. Intellectual aspects
of life are understood through spiritual experience. Judy's life revolves
around family and the land in the
Taos Pueblo community of 1200.
She entertains and cooks for the
feasts, raises horses, tends to the
grandchildren, and helps her hus-

band with ceremonial activities.

The isolation of Northern New Mexico is broken by world travelers attracted to the site who visit her home as guests, and her private interest in dancing, singing, writing, and public speaking.

Judy feels her legal education has served her well. She is critical of the standard of practices she sees

'I would like to see attorneys develop a more flexible role suited to community needs.' --Judy Evans Deertrack

in the legal field. She would like to see attorneys develop a more flexible role suited to community needs.

### JIM FAUST

Emerging from law school, Jim initially opened a private practice in Selma. For the past twelve years he has worked as a Deputy District Attorney for Tulare County. As an active trial lawyer, Jim has conducted 300-400 jury trials, 100 of them felonies. Jim has served as President of the Selma Rotary and has tried to initiate a VORP program in Dinuba. He recently ran for judge in Dinuba, but lost by 150 votes.

Jim and his wife have five children, all grown. He loves golf, motorcycles, and cruising the world. Their most recent excursion was to the capitals of Northern Europe.

Jim remembers that his class was large starting law school but that many were academically disqualified. He worked forty hours a week throughout law school to support his family but specifically remembers setting aside Friday nights to attend his sons' high school football games.

### FRANK GASH

From 1978 to 1982, Frank was in private practice in partnership with Ed Hunt. In 1982, Frank joined the Fresno District Attorney's office where he worked until 1988. Since 1988, Frank has been a sole practitioner, emphasizing criminal defense. He loves the freedom of solo practice. He operates two officesone in Fresno and one in Coalingand flies himself between the two. Frank was a pilot and Captain in the United States Air Force. He remains

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Gash, continued from page 3 active in the Civil Air Patrol.

Frank is single and has a grown son who is a teacher in San Diego. Frank is currently living with his airplane in his new house at--not surprisingly--Sierra Sky Park.

Frank's comments about law school are succinct: "I met some nice people, but the Socratic method sucked."

### TOM GIOVACCHINI

After graduation, Tom worked for McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard, Wayte and Carruth for about a year before joining Tom Campagne's office. Thereafter, he worked in partnership with classmate Michael Meyer for about six years. Tom has run his own practice for 8 years specializing in representing employers in labor disputes and now has offices in both Fresno and San Luis Obispo. Tom is the Chairperson of the Ag Council of the Fresno Chamber of Commerce and serves

on the board of the California Grape and Tree Fruit League. He was recently appointed to a task force to study the advantages and disadvan-

tages of Fresno's proposed international airport. Specifically, he will be concerned with the risk of pest infestations in the valley.

Tom and his wife, Cindy, have a daughter Gina, 9, and a son on the way, already named Marco. Tom loves surfing, especially at Pismo. He explains that surfing is a great workout and a great way to relieve the stress of an active litigation practice.

Tom remembers the flash cards Judge Eymann used to teach newbies the elements of each tort. He remembers the agony of Moot Court. He remembers graduation and the outdoor amphitheater at Fresno Pacific. A gust of wind almost blew valedictorian Judy Evans' notes away from the podium.

### PHIL MACH

Upon leaving SJCL, Phil worked first with Perez & Makasian,

then Shields. Cox & Roberts. In December 1980 he

"...studying with Don Forbes at

-- Hon. Angus Saint-Evens

2 a.m., drinking coffee and

eating strawberry waffles.'

Wild, Carter, Tipton & Oliver focusing on family law. In December 1985 he moved to the Law Office of Timothy Lickness, the inhouse counsel for Industrial Indemnity Insurance. In February 1993 he

> joined his current firm, Chernow & Lieb, in-house counsel for Zenith Insurance, where he practices workers compensation law from

the employer's side.

Phil owns 20 acres of walnuts which he maintains himself. In fact, he says all he does is work-either in the office or in the walnuts. He remembers law school as more work. He remembers the camaraderie of those who survived the first year and Judge Wanger trying to catch students unprepared. Phil remembers his study group's antics--Broughton, Forbes, Helon, Noyes,

Paganetti, and Saint-Evens. Kathy Douglass delivered the commencement address for the class of 1978. During her speech, a black cat calmly walked across the grass in front of her. Douglass mentioned the cat but kept right on talking.

### HONORABLE ANGUS SAINT-**EVENS**

After graduating from law school, Judge Saint-Evens opened

> his own practice in the Glenn County area. He was the City Attorney for Willows, Orland, and Corning. For eight years he served as the contract

public defender for Glenn County. In October 1988 he was appointed to the Justice Court, which becomes a Superior Court under court consolidation. Since August 1994, Judge Saint-Evens has endured four operations, including two open-heart surgeries. Judge Saint-Evens makes it absolutely clear that he loves his job and was eager to get back to it.

Judge Saint-Evens and his wife, Patty, have three children. Emily and Colin are in high school and into English jumping and dressage. Their son, Ian, owns a computer business. Four years ago, they built a house on five acres near Willows to accommodate the horses. Judge Saint-Evens enjoys being with his family--watching them horseback riding--as well as reading, yard work, and working on cars in his shop.

Judge Saint-Evens remembers studying with Don Forbes at

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Cedar Lanes at 2 a.m., drinking coffee and eating strawberry waffles. He remembers being shell-shocked the first semester. He has a distinct memory of watching Deborah Davis (now Owdom) type a final exam. He thought she had taken too much time outlining her answer. Then she started typing, staring out the window, never looking at her paper. Suddenly the ball blew off the typewriter. Judge Saint-Evens says she never missed a word replacing that ball and he was impressed!

## Help us find the following members of the Class of 1978:

Carol Brawley Elizabeth Davis Ysidro Macias Sylvia Stewart

If you have any current information about these graduates, please call Dean Jan Pearson at 323-2100.

## SJCL Student Laurie Mitchell Receives \$7,500 Scholarship from State Bar Foundation

SJCL is proud to announce that Laurie Mitchell has been awarded a \$7,500 scholarship by the Foundation of the State Bar of California. Mitchell was chosen from among 63 other applicants from 17 law schools who were competing for 32 scholarships.

A fourth-year student at SJCL, Mitchell is a native of Fresno who



earned her undergraduate degree in Anthropology at California State University, Fresno (CSUF). She also holds a Master of Science in Criminology from CSUF.

Mitchell has a long history of volunteer involvement in several human rights organizations, including Amnesty International Group 264, Death Penalty Focus and Journey of Hope. Additionally, she has served as a mediator for the Victim Offender Reconciliation Program of Fresno County. After graduating from law school, she plans to continue her involvement in human rights issues at the professional level.



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# Law Alumni Profiles The Class of 1988

This year is the TENTH Anniversary of the graduation of the Class of 1988. Throughout 1998, in no particular order, Inter Alia will highlight the accomplishments and lives of the graduates of 1988.

### JULIE COLLURA

Julie has worked for the Merced County District Attorney for more than nine years. She spent the first 6 ½ years in the Criminal Division. For the last three years she has worked in Family Support establishing, modifying, and primarily enforcing judgments against child support obligors through extraordinary techniques.

Julie is married to Quincy Aulisio. They are proud parents of three giant Old English sheepdogs. When the dogs permit, Julie also loves playing softball. Memories of law school for Julie are just a blur. She is a dedicated morning person; she found going to classes at night hard to manage.

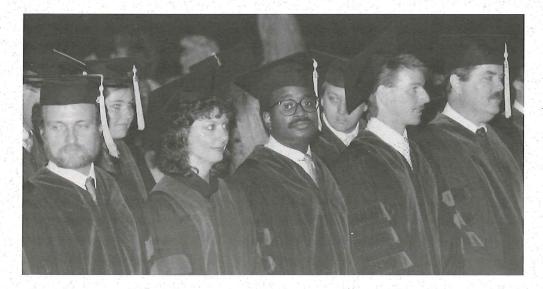
### **CRAIG DAVIS**

Upon graduating from San Joaquin College of Law, Craig joined the firm where he clerked during law school, Sandell & Young. There he did primarily insurance defense. In May of 1989, Craig was recruited to Jackson, Hargrove, Hillison & Emerich by a former partner at Sandell & Young.

At Jackson, et.al., he did primarily real estate and business litigation with an occasional personal injury case. In June 1991, Craig opened his own practice shifting his focus primarily to personal injury work but dabbling in real estate and civil business litigation. Since 1991, he has forged a niche in personal injury and prides himself in his preparation and hard work.

Over the years, Craig has employed several other SJCL graduates including Tim Mazzella, Paul Carpio, and David Milligan. Most recently he recruited W. Rod McClelland, Jr. to join him in his personal injury practice. Mr. McClelland's addition to the firm has allowed Craig to expand into the sexual harassment and employment dispute arenas.

Craig's real love is real estate development. He works closely with several real estate developers in both commercial and residential developments. He just purchased and started the planning of a 200-acre subdivision on the fairways of Brighton Crest Country Club. He just completed, with the help of his wife, Cindy Davis, the development and interior design of the building housing his law office practice in the Pavilion West Profes-



L to R: Glenn Holder; Sarah Schmidt; Renee Dawson Logoluso; Alan Daw; Russ Reynolds; Craig Davis; Pete Cowper and Ron Calhoun share a reflective moment at their 1988 graduation from San Joaquin College of Law.

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sional Complex. He has formed a company, Ashbrooke Development, and plans to transition from the practice of law to the development of retail, professional, and residential developments. Although he feels he will always practice law, he feels drawn towards the real estate development arena.

Craig has been married to Cindy for eleven years and has two daughters, Ashley and Brooke. Together they snow and water ski. Craig also loves golf and travel. Twice a year his family vacations at Cabo San Lucas. The family just returned from Paris, France and will be going to Disney World the day after Thanksgiving.

Craig's clearest
memory of law school is
dumping all of his books in a
dumpster fifteen minutes after
learning he passed the bar. His
fondest memories of law
school are his classmates and
the friendships he shared with
them.

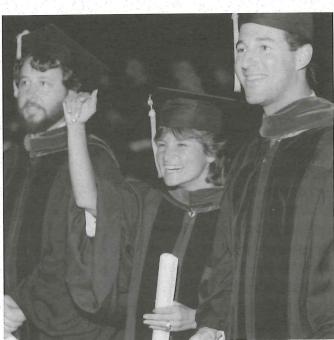
### **MARY LANE**

In May of 1989 Mary became a judicial law clerk for the Hon. Brett Dorian of the United States Bankruptcy Court in Fresno with jurisdiction from Merced to Kern County. The two bankruptcy judges carry tremendous caseloads, with nearly 10,000 new cases filed every year.

Mary rides circuit to
Bakersfield with the court for several
days once a month to assist the judge
with hearings there. Mary served for
several years as editor of the Fresno
County Women Lawyers' newsletter
and on its board. She was a founder

and the first president of the Association of Law Clerks to Bankruptcy Judges; she also served as the editor of its newsletter.

In her nine years as a law clerk to the Bankruptcy Court, Mary



L to R: Craig Stepp, Lisa Urrizola and Terry Wapner are obviously happy it's graduation day!

believes she has seen just about every area of the law involved in bankruptcy cases. She has been convinced by observing attorneys from around the state that SJCL provides its students an excellent grounding in the law as well as practical guidance that is second to none.

Mary and her husband, a professor of Mass Communications at CSUF, have three sons. Chris is a Highway Patrolman in San Jose, Brian works on the cutting edge of computer technology for video and film editing, and Sean is a professor of psychology at the University of Nevada in Las Vegas with a spe-

cialty in eyewitness testimony.

Mary derives great pleasure from doing crafts with her grandchildren, especially recycling items from one holiday to another by repainting and re-designing them.

Mary remembers law school as one of the most pleasurable times of her life, where she developed a special mental discipline. She says that her law school training surfaces in unusual ways. She used to be totally hopeless at putting things together physically. Now, she can look at a plan and the pieces come together. She also remembers the camaraderie--especially with her regular study partner, Glenn Holder, and the members of her study group for the bar exam--Anidelle Flint, Lane Simmons, Greg Bacchetti, Alan Daw, and Cicely Roberts.

### RENEE DAWSON LOGOLUSO

During law school, Renee clerked with Elia & Sciandra. In December 1998, upon passing the bar, she followed that penchant for criminal law by joining the Fresno District Attorney's office. In the D.A.'s office, she specialized in worker's compensation fraud. In June 1996 Renee opened her own practice emphasizing worker's compensation defense and business litigation. Renee travels a great deal, representing employers throughout the state.

Renee is involved in a number of local professional organizations, including the Fresno and

## CHS Alumni Are Busy 'Polishing' Our Shared Gem of a Building

In January, a group of Clovis High School (CHS) alumni, in conjunction with SJCL, kicked off a campaign to raise funds to refurbish the exterior of our building, the "Old Clovis High School." Nearly \$33,000 has been donated so far, including the much-needed paint. The CHS Committee and SJCL would like to thank the generous donors who have contributed to this effort.

Many thanks to all the generous volunteers from the CHS Alumni Committee: Carol (Smittcamp) Copeland; Rita Davenport; Carole (Pendergrass) Linenbach; Susan (Ford) Frantzich; Sayre (McFarlane) Miller; Betsy (Blaine) Sandoval; Rosalene (Sirimaco) Matteson and SJCL's own Joan (Bjorkman) Lassley.

## *Diamond Donors* (\$1,000 +)

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There have also been 86 Sapphire Donors (\$100-\$249) and 77 Topaz Donors (\$50-\$99).

In addition, quite a race has developed between the graduating classes. The Classes of 1940 (12 gifts) and 1966 (10 gifts) are tied with \$1,775 donated by each.

All donations will be recognized on a permanent plaque in the main hallway of the law school.

### Thank you!

Fifth Annual Matthew Bender Family Law-Developments and Strategies

Saturday, October 31 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. \$185 (incl. materials & lunch) 6.5 Hours MCLE Credit

Contact Amy Sakkijha, MCLE Coordinator, at 323-2100 for more information.

### New Year's Thoughts--Richard Caglia, Student Bar Association President

Now that I am starting my last year of law school, I can't help thinking about my first weeks, months and, now, years at SJCL. Many times I have stopped and wondered what I was doing, why I was doing it and would I make it through? It became important to maintain sight of my goals and the reason I had for attending law school.

Three years later, I can sit here and tell all that I can see light at the end of the tunnel. We, as classmates, have an awesome school with a tremendous staff whom I want to thank for their skills, time and patience. Their dedication and determination to make SJCL a better place is infectious. I am proud of what I have accomplished and I am proud of our school, San Joaquin College of Law.

To my classmates who have recently graduated, good luck to you in the future. Thank you for your support and exemplary dedication. To my classmates who are graduating next year, we need to keep sight of the tasks still ahead. Although we have been successful with the challenge thus far, our work is not yet over.

I would like to welcome back the returning students and encourage you to keep up the enthusiasm and drive that brought you this far. There are many experiences at SJCL yet to come. Fight for yourself but be supportive of each other. We are all in this together.

I welcome the 1998-99 first year class. This will be one of the most challenging undertakings of your lives. A first year instructor once told me the secret to success: "You will do well if you do as you are told. Read your case books; brief your cases; take notes in every class; and then form an outline of what you have come to understand." The key word here is "understand." This will not be easy, but it can and has been done.

To those students who have the time and inclination, I encourage you to get involved with the Student Bar Association. Being part of the Student Bar has given me the added opportunity to be involved with school projects and to work closely with my classmates while seeing those projects to completion. Every successful effort enhances student camaraderie and potentially leads our school to greater advancement--things that are important to everyone.

Best wishes to everyone for a successful year!



The 1998 Back To School party was held at Professor Dave Camenson's house. The softball was competitive; the d.j. was fun; the food was great; and the proverbial "good time" was had by all attending.





## Fall '97-'98 Paralegal Class Graduated August 14

August 14, 1998 marked graduation day for the 16 members of the Fall '97-'98 Paralegal Class at SJCL. The students and their families celebrated following the commencement ceremonies at the SCJL campus.

Front row, L to R: Debra Penner, Jo Shoop, Amy Evenson, Stacey Houle, Jodi Woodsmith, Tracy Weisbrodt, Jan Kunkel. Second Row, L to R: Jewel Lustre, Blair Shoop, Grayden Dervishian, Bill Willbanks, Karen Mosher, Gillis Gibson, Ken Carver and Debra Owdom.

### 1998 Moot Court Winners Draw Praise from Judges

Law students participating in the 1998 George A. Hopper Moot Court Competition received rave reviews for their performances.

Leading the competition were Stephanie Krause, who won Best Oral Advocate and George Herman, who shared the award for Best Brief with Zipporah Underhill.

Joanne Morales, Paul Rodriquez and David Moreno won awards as Best Oral Advocate finalists. Moreno also won an award as Best Brief finalist. Best Oral Advocate semi-finalists included Deborah Mosley, Rod Kodman, Eric Escamilla and Michelle Oleksa. Oleksa was also a Best Brief finalist. Other Best Brief finalists included Denise Zuniga, Colleen Luiz, Laurie Mitchell and Paul Mullen.

Moot Court winners, from left: David Moreno, Moot Court Instructor Stanley Boone, Stephanie Krause, Rod Kodman, Joanne Morales, Judge Steven Vartabedian, Deborah Mosley, Moot Court Director Jon Conklin, Michelle Oleksa, Eric Escamillo and Paul Rodriquez.



### PSST!! PSST!!

WANT TO HELP YOUR ALMA MATER? NEED A TAX DEDUCTION? HAVE WE GOT A LIST FOR YOU! SICL NEEDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AND WOULD GRATEFULLY WELCOME ALL DONATIONS.

\* Conference Room Tables \* Office Desk Chairs \* Book Shelves \* Credenzas \* File Cabinets (four drawer and fire) \* Couch and Chair for comfortable library reading \* Office furniture \* California and United States Flags and stands for Courtroom \* Wall Pictures (scenic and law-related)

If you have any of the above items and would like to make a donation to SJCL, please contact Linda Raiche, Director of Human Resources and Operations, at 323-2100.

Clovis Chambers of Commerce, the Fresno Business and Professional Women, the Fresno County Bar, and Fresno Women Lawyers. She has frequently served as a Judge Pro Tem.

Renee is married to another SJCL graduate, Timothy Logoluso. They have a daughter, Danielle. Renee and Tim love to travel. Their recent destinations have included Italy, Greece and England. They scuba dive in the Carribean and Mexico. Renee has also recently achieved a lifelong dream; she is now the proud owner of a Harley Davidson motorcycle.

As to law school, Renee was impressed by the quality of the instructors. However, most of all, she remembers long hours of study and endless weekends in the library.

### TODD MEEK

From 1988 through 1995, Todd worked as Associate Counsel for North American Life Insurance Company of Pennsylvania, located in Fresno. In October 1995, he accepted the position as General Counsel for Hawaii Management

## Help us find the following members of the Class of 1988:

Maureen Spangler Lane Simmons Terwilliger

If you have any current information about these graduates, please call Dean Jan Pearson at 323-2100.

Alliance Association, a Hawaii Mutual Benefit Society providing life and health benefits, and moved to Honolulu. He is now General Counsel and Senior Vice President of Operations for HMAA, which has underwritten \$52 million of annualized health and workers' compensation premiums through mid-1988.

Todd attributes HMAA's success and continued strong growth to a very high level of customer service, attention to detail, and dedicated employees. Todd is admitted to both the California and Hawaii State Bar Associations as well as being an active member of the Association of Life Insurance Council, the Young Presidents' Organization, and several local Hawaii organizations including Ho Aloha Anuenue Ho Lolio.

Todd and his wife, Debbie, have two sons: William, six, and Thomas, four. Their new island home allows them to enjoy Oahu and neighbor island beaches year 'round; unfortunately, Todd's work schedule does not allow for nearly enough time for golf.

Todd remembers law school as a rather horrendous experience; much more difficult than expected, but ultimately rewarding.

### **ROBERT SHINN**

After graduating from law school, Bob went to work with Erickson, Arbuthnot, Brown, Kilduff & Day. Subsequently, he also worked with Barry Bennett and Ernie Tuttle. In 1994, Bob had had enough of 80 hour weeks, so he left law and California and moved to Michigan. In Michigan, Bob has

run successful businesses in computer consulting and Internet sales. In May 1998 Bob accepted a position as a research clerk to an Administrative Law Judge in the Social Security Administration.

Bob is married and has a grown son who lives in Fullerton, California. Bob says that since moving to Michigan, he has caught a whole lot of fish, traveled extensively in a fifth-wheel trailer, and completed myriad projects around his one-third acre home, including terracing the backyard.

Bob says he enjoyed law school as much as anything he has done in his life. He enjoyed learning and the friendship with his classmates.

cover this subject since it is one of the few legal periodicals in the nation devoted exclusively to legal issues affecting agriculture. "Our goal is to provide acommunity

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resource for information on concerns affecting agri-business in the Central Valley, said Dean Janice Pearson.

"We anticipate that the symposium issue, which allows for a "point-counterpoint" style of presentation, will spur innovative ideas and solutions to legal problems facing rural agricultural cooperatives as the new millenium begins."

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