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- Essential Trial Skills \*

- Legal Ethics \*
- Federal Trial Practice \*
- Deposition Skills \*
- 2005 Update: Family Law \* •
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Last Names N-Z: January 31, 2005 Last Names H-M: January 31, 2006 Last Names A-G: January 31, 2007

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## Walk-in Registrations Welcome!

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# **Alumni Profiles**

SJCL congratulates our alumni celebrating 10, 20 and 30 year anniversaries in 2004. SJCL remembers classmates who are no longer with us: Peggy Setsuyo Liggett (Law '74), John M. Newman (Law '74), Donald Peoples (Law '74), and Paul Fairless (Law '94).

To those who responded to requests from us for information, we appreciate the time you took to share your journeys with fellow alumni. If you were not included in this project we would love to hear from you.

Joan Lassley, Alumni Liaison

# **1974** Jerry Henry

Jerry Henry, a news correspondent prior to becoming an attorney, knows how to speak volumes in court, but is less wordy regarding his personal achievements since graduation. He and his fellow classmates, Paul James and John Mitchell, must be in competition for the shortest bio award.

For many years, Jerry was part of Smurr, Henry & Gelegan, sharing his time between their Fresno and Kerman offices. Jerry, father of three, currently is a partner with the law firm of Henry, Logoluso & Blum working mainly out of Kerman where he can be close to his farming interest. Jerry was the chairman of the Board for Kerman State Bank until 2002.

Jerry states that he found his years at SJCL enjoyable and that his education there, along with the friends he made, paved his way to a successful legal career. Always humble, Jerry's exact words were "he believes SJCL was a good school."

## **John Mitchell**

John has been staying very busy as a personal injury and workers' compensation attorney since graduation.

John has 3 adult children and 2 ½ (due in March) grandchildren, so far, one of each under the age of 2. He is very much enjoying them. John enjoys "eating and drinking," sailing, skiing, and traveling. He recalls the early years at the Fresno Pacific University campus with fond but mixed emotions, enjoying when he runs into the likes of John Loomis or other professors he had and former classmates.

## Leland Sterling

Leland currently works at Sterling and Sterling with offices in Orange and San Bernardino Counties. He has won awards for Arbitration and Mediation Services from the Orange County Bar Association.

He is married to Lavone and has 3 daughters. His daughter, Lisa Sterling-Arnquist, who graduated from the University of Santa Clara in 1989, has joined him in his practice. He loves raising Lhasa Apso dogs and enjoys doing dog shows.

Leland's memories include the days spent with Oliver Wanger, Bruce Diaso, Dan Eyman and John Loomis.

## Judith A. Ward

Judith has been quite busy the last 30 years working in probate law. Right out of school she ran the office for a couple of probate attorneys and decided she had found her calling. The last 15 years she has been self-employed doing independent probate paralegal work. She really never thought that would be where her journey would take her but she is thankful to have been able to help so many at a time in their lives that is difficult. She is happy to report that she is now retired. Judith has been married to John for almost 41 years. They have no children but they have a one-year-old gray tabby named "Jillie" who is the light of their life.

She served as past president of the Legal Secretaries Association and was very involved in previous paralegal associations as well. She currently belongs to a women's club that is associated with the Elks.

Judith and John love to go RVing. Their longest trip took them from California to Massachusetts, stopping along the way to visit brothers in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. They also like yearly trips to northern California.

Judith remembers when Judge Wanger would lecture from his legal yellow pad. There were usually children's scribbles on the back of each of the pages and they would all laugh. She also was the hostess of many parties, and recalls what a great time they had. She particularly remembers the party at Chip Putnam's house when Jim Aaron loaded up her drinks; the following wallpapering day was not so great with a hangover.

## 1984 John H. Garland

During his third year at SJCL, John began working as a legal intern for the Federal Defender's Office for the Eastern District of California. After graduation he remained at the Federal Defender's Office as an Assistant Defender. He represented indigent defendants charged with federal offenses in the U.S. District Court and on appeals to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the U.S. Supreme Court.

In July 1988, John began working with John Loomis (SJCL Founder and former Dean) and Joanne Sanoian at Staniford, Harris & Loomis. In January of 1989 the law firm of Loomis, Sanoian & Garland was established.



## Saturday, February 19, 2005 "Rain or Shine"

8:00ам - Kids Run 1/4 Mile (Ages 9 & under) 8:15ам - 2 Mile Run/Walk 8:45ам - 5 K Run

Competitive run on the Old Clovis Trail

Proceeds benefit the Judy Wiseman Memorial Scholarship Fund & Student Bar Association

#### VALLEY RUNNER OF THE YEAR SERIES 10 POINT RACE

While John continued to practice criminal defense (trial and appeals), his practice expanded to include civil litigation, estate planning, and probate. Since July 1995 he has been a sole practitioner in the same areas.

John has been married to Susan for over 24 years. They have two sons ages 22 and 14 years. John enjoys boating, fishing, and attending high school and college athletic events. He has been a member of the North Fresno Kiwanis Club for over 16 years.

John values the friendships that developed with his SJCL classmates, fellow students and faculty, many of which continue to this day. He will never forget Criminal Law classes, where during every class, Judge Dennis Caeton would call on Cliff Garoupa to brief at least one-half of all the assigned cases and Civil Procedure class with Judge Oliver Wanger, who challenged the students to be prepared beyond "IRAC" when you enter the classroom, and in the future, when you enter the courtroom.

#### **Sue Manzell**

After graduating from San Joaquin College of Law, Sue re-entered the workers' compensation arena. She was a hearing representative for an insurance company for approximately 18 years, making appearances at the various W.C. Appeals Boards in Northern California. She is no longer on the road, but serves as a claims representative for a third party administrator dealing with the ongoing changes in the law.

Sue's class was the first class at the First & Shields location. She recalls climbing over the fence at breaks to go next door for coffee and doughnuts. Law school was a stressful, but fulfilling, experience.

During Sue's school years her daughter was in junior high school and she was a single mom, having been widowed 6 years previously. Her daughter is now married and living in Santa Clara, California.

Sue remarried 12 years ago and her connection to SJCL has remained strong; her husband rents the classroom facilities at SJCL. Sue recommends all graduates who have not seen the present facility to stop by and see the result of the efforts of so many people.

#### **Dennis Marshall**

For the last 20 years Dennis has worked for Fresno County. In July he was named as Fresno County Counsel. In his time at Fresno County, Dennis has worked alongside SJCL graduates Ed Hunt, Elizabeth Egan, his SJCL professor, Wes Merritt, and Moot Court instructor, Holly Perez.

Dennis has two grown sons, one a senior at California State University,

Fresno and the other a sophomore at UC Davis. In his very infrequent spare time he likes to play golf (work does keep him busy). Dennis says his class was a great group and very close knit.

## **Thomas Moos**

Tom's first job out of law school was with the firm of Myers & Overstreet. The firm specialized in insurance defense. In 1989 Myers & Overstreet opened a satellite office in Arroyo Grande California. For the sake of the firm, Tom sacrificed and moved to the Central Coast to run the office. In 1992 the Arroyo Grande office closed. Tom opened his own law practice in San Luis Obispo. There, he continued to practice insurance defense and residential real estate matters.

Tom took his love for golf a step further by starting and organizing the golf program at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo. Because of his work with the golf program at Cal Poly, he was able to reduce his practice to half time. Unfortunately in 2003 California State budget cuts eliminated Tom's paid coaching position. He continued to volunteer for the program for several more months until joining the firm of Stockwell, Harris, Widom, Woolverton, & Muehl in their Grover Beach office. The firm specializes in worker's compensation defense.

Tom is married to Sharon. They have three daughters and two grandchil-

dren, a boy and a girl. Tom's daughter, Kate, was born during his second year of law school. At graduation as he walked across the stage to get his diploma, Kate yelled, "Hi Daddy." At that moment he had a huge feeling of pride. He had been able to work and finish school at the same time as raising a family. Knowing his daughter was happy for him made it all worthwhile.

Tom also remembers commuting to school from Visalia with Charlotte Wittig. Without her he probably would have missed a lot more classes and possibly never finished.

### Steven Salazar

After passing the bar, Steve had the pleasure of "cutting his teeth" in civil litigation and debtors' bankruptcy law while working for Victor Sepulveda as an associate attorney. In 1987 he associated with SJCL alumni D. Mitchell Taylor and Robert Zupp, forming the association of Taylor, Zupp, & Salazar. In 1989 Taylor, Zupp, & Salazar was changed to Taylor, Van Doren, Zupp & Salazar, an association specializing not only in general and varied insurance defense, but also in civil law and plaintiff's personal injury. Steven presently is a sole practitioner, emphasizing family law, plaintiff's personal injury, and estate planning with specific attention to probate law and practice.

Steven is married to Toshiye. They have three children, Stephanie (almost 21), Matthew (12), and Jason (11). Toshiye is an Enrolled Agent, licensed to prepare tax returns for individuals and entities and authorized to represent clients before the IRS.

Steve and his wife are softball junkies. When they found their daughter, Stephanie, had a natural ability at softball, he became a coach for her fastpitch softball team. They traveled to numerous national championship tournaments representing Visalia and Fresno teams. Steve experienced softball withdrawal when his daughter moved on to college. He now coaches boys' baseball.

Steve's special memories of SJCL are the friends, professors and staff he met while attending law school. He developed relationships with many individuals that he still cherishes. In 1983, as Vice President of the San Joaquin College of Law Student Association, Steve had the pleasure of introducing key speakers during the Spring Banquet. Normally, he would have cringed at the thought of speaking before hundreds of individuals, but fortunately, having to present class case briefs before Judge Wanger and Judge Caeton, made it a walk in the park.

## **Charlotte Wittig**

After graduation from law school, Charlotte was a partner at the law firm of Wilson, Altschule & Wittig for 14 years. Initially, her practice consisted of family law, criminal law, and juvenile matters. She eventually changed her focus and practiced construction law, business law, criminal law and some personal injury matters. In 1998, Charlotte took the position of Juvenile Court Referee for Tulare County Superior Court. She is responsible for approximately 80 percent of the dependency calendar. She also hears delinquency matters primarily related to dependent children and juvenile traffic matters. She regularly trains CASA volunteers. Charlotte, despite her belief it may be a sign of early dementia, loves her work. She feels it is an honor and a privilege to serve in juvenile court.

Most recently Charlotte was given special recognition for her work in Juvenile Court by CASA of Tulare County. Soroptimist International named her a Women of Distinction in the area of Human Rights in 2003. She was been named Trial Attorney of the Year by the Tulare County Trial Lawyers, and was a Top 10 finalist for the Woman of Achievement award, presented by Visalia Business and Professional Women's Association.

Charlotte loves spending time with her 7-year-old daughter, Ciera. The two live in the country where they enjoy taking long walks. They also enjoy attending theatre productions, particularly local plays at the Enchanted Playhouse in Visalia.

Charlotte remembers the first year with the Honorable Oliver Wanger in civil procedure, working as court reporter in Federal court, and thinking she would never survive law school. The generous support and encouragement of her fellow students and Judge Wanger were crucial. She remembers the fun of attending Moot Court competition in San Diego, Torts with Don Fischbach, Criminal Law with Judge Caeton, and having Justice Best for "Best" evidence.

## 1994 Linda Durost

Linda's first job as a lawyer was as Director of Compliance for a large HMO management company in Fresno. After two years there, she became an associate attorney with Wm. Lanier Thomas, P.C. Linda currently practices law with Perkins, Mann & Everett, specializing in estate planning, corporate/business and family law.

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Away from work, Linda is actively involved in the community. She is a mentor in the Volunteers in Parole program sponsored by Fresno County. She is on the Board of Directors of Fresno Women Lawyers. As a Board member of Fresno Women Lawyers, Linda has been a part of the planning process for the Women's Hall of Fame. The exhibit will occupy the sixth floor of the Fresno Courthouse and will honor women who have made substantial contributions to the Valley. Honorees, not limited to attorneys, will include Margaret Hudson, Annette LaRue, Coke Hallowell, and Betty Rodriguez, to name a few. She is also participating in a Fresno Women Lawyers "Glass Ceiling" project with California Women Lawyers.

Linda remembers eating every night at the snack machines and making lifetime friends, working very hard to keep up with everything, and being very glad when it was over.

#### **Mary Jarvis**

Mary has worked in her own law firm since graduation. Married to John O'Leary for 12 years, they have almost 4 children – Jack is 7, Kenneth is 5, Brooke is 1, and a new baby boy is due January 2005.

Her best ever legal award was the Moot Court competition in her second year with partner, Lloyd Carter, and the enduring mantra of "star, strong, smile...."

Mary made lifelong friends at SJCL. Her study group of Linda Bacon Miles, Rissa Stuart and Carla Khal (Bourne) not only helped her maintain her interest in law school (of which she had little), run for Miss California, and plan a wedding, but also they managed to teach her the law. They continue to meet monthly (give or take a few weeks here and there) for dinner. Linda Bacon is AWOL from those get-togethers and encouraged to report in at her earliest convenience.

Mary truly believes that divine intervention sent her to law school to meet Lloyd Carter. No matter the distance or time between visits he will always be on her list of those who know her best and love her anyway. He was a sustaining force through all four years.

Mary hated law school but loved the people (teachers included). They defined the experience and made it worth remembering. The four years went by quickly, it was just the days that were sometimes so long.

### Jane Younglove

After graduation from SJCL, Jane stayed with the Law firm of Thomas E. Campagne and Associates, where she had been clerking. While working there she helped prepare a marketing order advertising case heard by the U.S. Supreme Court. In 1996, through SJCL, she was asked to teach a Legal Research class for a new doctoral program in Forensic Psychology with what used to be known as the California School of Professional Psychology. The school has since evolved into Alliant International University (AIU), and the Forensic Psychology Program remains Fresno-based, now with a satellite program in Los Angeles. Jane made the decision that she would rather teach than litigate, so in 1997 she took a full-time position at AIU. She was named program director in 2001.

AIU's Forensic Psychology program prepares PsyD students for careers as experts in the criminal justice system. The PhD students prepare for careers as forensic political advocates, policy analysts, researchers, university professors, and consultants. Jane's job entails teaching law and law-based classes



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(legal research, constitutional law, administrative law, etc.), administrative work, and conducting research and writing papers for publication.

Jane is currently working with SJCL's Sally Perring on a cooperative agreement between SJCL and AIU which provides a dual MA/JD program for students at their respective institutions.

After a divorce in 1996, Jane changed her name from Jane Lapp to her birth name Younglove. For the past 8 years she has been living with her domestic partner, Barbara, and their 3 dogs. In their travel trailer, the two enjoy taking short trips to the coast, mountains, or desert.

Jane really enjoyed her law school experience and all of her classmates. Moot Court quarter-finals was a particularly significant memory. Jane and her teammate, Valerie Jurkovich learned at nearly midnight that they were to go on to the next level of competition, the semifinals, the next day. However, Valerie was so ill with the flu that this was impossible. This turned out to be a mixed blessing because, on one hand, they worked very hard to advance, but on the other, she was terrified and ultimately very relieved.

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(L-R) **Tina Morgan** (Law '07), **Sherrie Flynn** (Law '05), **Vonnie Griva** (Law '06), and **Kristine Cerro** (Law '95) attended the Annual Fresno Women's Lawyers Holiday Party hosted at **Kathy Hart's** (Law '77) home.



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