Introducing Dean
William P. Johnson
As I begin my tenure as your dean, I am encouraged by the words of support that I have received from so many of you and also by the hard work and dedication I see reflected on the pages of this magazine. I am deeply honored to serve in this role at Saint Louis University School of Law. I am also mindful that it is a great responsibility – one that I do not take lightly.

I joined this remarkable law school community nearly five years ago, at a time when U.S. legal education was beginning to experience dramatic change – change that reflected shifts in the legal market and in the nature of law practice. Change can be difficult, and there is no question that U.S. law schools, including ours, have faced real challenges. Yet, I look back at the last five years and I am very proud of the impressive accomplishments of my faculty and staff colleagues and our students.

I am also optimistic. As we continue to navigate an evolving legal environment, I see clear opportunities.

We have the opportunity to discover and pursue innovative educational and work experiences for our students. We have the opportunity to engage with various communities – including the local, national and international legal communities, as well as a world-class university – in ways that previously might not have been part of our imagination. We have the opportunity to consider how our compelling Jesuit mission ought to inform everything we do as we navigate the challenges facing legal education. And we have the opportunity to engage and collaborate with you and other strong supporters across the country and globe.

As you will see in this issue, I believe very strongly in our connections. Our connections to the local bar, our colleagues from Capitol Hill and those across the country and around the world, some of whom are highlighted here, are critical to our strength and growth as a successful institution.

When I look at my colleagues, our students and you, our alumni, it is clear to me that the state of SLU LAW is strong. The potential for building on our proud legacy of excellence as an institution is exciting. I know you share my pride in the institution, and I hope you share my optimism for its future.

WILLIAM P. JOHNSON
Dean and Professor
**NEWS AND NOTES**

**CLINIC STUDENTS WIN POST-FERGUSON CASES**

Third-year law students Katie Landfried and Mark Timmerman successfully defended two citizens charged by the City of Ferguson for failure-to-comply during demonstrations following the death of Michael Brown. Landfried and Timmerman were supervised by John Ammann, McDonnell Professor of Justice in American Society.

**JOHN AND MARGARET SIMON FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCED**

Thanks to a generous gift of $250,000 by John Simon of the Simon Law Firm, the John and Margaret Simon Fellowship has been created. This fellowship is designed to directly provide services to the local immigrant community and give students the opportunity to gain hands-on experience in immigration law. The students will work directly with the SLU LAW Legal Clinics and partner immigration nonprofit services, such as St. Francis Community Services (formerly known as CLAM), to provide a broad base of legal services, including both immigration law and civil issues.

**GRASSROOTS HEALTH LAW AND POLICY STUDENTS HELP PASS HEALTH CARE LEGISLATION IN MISSOURI**

Grace Flash, a J.D./M.P.H.-health management and policy dual degree student, and 4L Dorothy Rodriguez played a role in advocating for changes in health care legislation in Missouri through the Grassroots Health Advocacy course, taught by Jane and Bruce Robert Professor of Law Sidney Watson. The group helped pass SB 865, which helps Medicaid customers and people on disability save money without giving up health coverage, as well as HB 1565, which gives Missouri citizens access to effective insurance rate reviews.

**SLU LAW SUMMER CAMP**

The School of Law hosted its first summer camp for high school aged students. The Law and Advocacy Summer Program offered students the opportunities to learn how to advocate for clients, meet prominent legal figures, visit local law firms and courthouses and observe real court proceedings. This year’s summer camp will be held June 12-16. You can find more information at slu.edu/summer.

**CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIA AND EVENTS**

**LEGAL CLINICS CO-SPONSOR VACANT PROPERTY SUMMIT**

The School of Law Legal Clinics joined together with Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, Saint Louis Association of Community Organization and Thompson Coburn LLP on Oct. 20, to host the Vacant Property Summit: Legal Tools to Spur Renewal of Privately Owned Vacant Property. The daylong event addressed the challenges and opportunities for our neighborhoods with regard to vacant and abandoned properties. It also offered solutions that focused on how lawyers, neighborhoods and others can utilize legal tools to work together.
ANNUAL CHILDRESS MEMORIAL LECTURE FEATURES STEPHEN BRIGHT

This year’s annual Childress Memorial Lecture, held Oct. 6-7, addressed the continuing inequality in the criminal courts. Featuring keynote speaker Stephen B. Bright, president and senior counsel of the Southern Center for Human Rights, the lecture drew attention to the numerous discretionary decisions made by prosecutors, such as whether to file charges; whether a high bail is to be set so the accused remains in jail; what charges to bring; whether to seek enhanced penalties such as the death penalty, life imprisonment without the possibility of parole or a mandatory minimum of years in prison; whether to make a plea offer and what offer to make; what information to disclose to the defense; and whether to strike prospective jurors based on race during jury selection.

Since 1979, Bright has represented people facing the death penalty at trials, as well as on appeals and post-conviction review in the state and federal courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court, where he has argued and won three capital cases involving racial discrimination in the selection of juries. He has also challenged inadequate representation provided to poor people accused of crimes, brought class action lawsuits to remedy human rights violations in prisons and jails, and advocated judicial independence.

THE PULITZER TRADITION EXPLORED AT THE ANNUAL JAMES C. MILLSTONE LECTURE

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Pulitzer Prizes, the School of Law hosted the annual James C. Millstone Lecture Sept. 13-14, featuring the Washington Post’s Pulitzer Prize-winning art and architecture critic, Phillip Kennicott, who addressed the topic “The Pulitzer Tradition of Social Justice in a Snapchat World.” Two additional panels provided a deeper look into the topic: “The Pulitzer Tradition Today,” moderated by Roy Harris Jr., a former Millstone lecturer and the author of Pulitzer’s Gold, and “Social Justice and Ferguson,” moderated by Michael Wolff, dean emeritus.

HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

PROFESSOR SIDNEY WATSON SELECTED FOR ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS AWARD

Jane and Bruce Robert Professor Sidney Watson was selected as the 2017 recipient of the Section on Law, Medicine and Health Care Distinguished Service Award by the Association of American Law Schools (AALS). The award was created to recognize a long-standing commitment to outstanding community service activities.

PROFESSOR SUE MCGRAUGH HONORED BY WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP SOCIETY OF THE UNITED WAY OF GREATER ST. LOUIS

Professor Sue McGraugh was recognized at the annual High Tea for her work in the Legal Clinics to passionately and intentionally effect positive change in the St. Louis community. She was one of five women who were honored at the annual event held at the Saint Louis University Museum of Art. McGraugh also was recognized with St. Louis Magazine’s 2016 Educator Excellence in Law Award.

JOCELYN BRENNAN-WITZEL RECOGNIZED BY MISSOURI LAWYERS WEEKLY

Jocelyn Brennan-Witzel (’02), assistant director of Career Services, was named one of Missouri Lawyers Weekly’s Unsung Heroes. The award recognizes those in our legal community who work tirelessly to better the profession through guidance and promotion of others.

JESSICA CICCONE RECOGNIZED AS LEADER IN THE WORKPLACE

SLU LAW director of communications Jessica Ciccone was selected by SLU’s Women’s Commission as one of eight women to be honored at the YWCA Leaders in the Workplace event, which acknowledged how the recipients have contributed to the growth and enrichment of both the University and the greater metropolitan community. Honorees were nominated and selected based on outstanding work performance, special talents, leadership qualities, outside activities and service to others.
LAW PROFESSOR IS VEEP VIRTUOSO

Every four years, when the presidential race rolls around and the height of the running-mate season hits its peak, Vincent C. Immel Professor of Law Joel Goldstein becomes the most sought-after man in political journalism. Goldstein is the most widely renowned scholar on the United States vice presidency. During the 2016 election season, he lent his expertise to more than 80 different political journals, blogs and news outlets around the globe, including USA Today, The New York Times, CSPAN, The Jerusalem Post, Swiss broadcasting station SRF, and ABC Australia. He’s pictured here being interviewed on MSNBC’s “Morning Joe” on July 27 with Vice President Joe Biden.

SLU LAW SUMMATIONS

Our SLU LAW Summations podcast provides a platform for legal discussions on timely topics and issues important to the law school. The podcast showcases the depth of faculty experience at SLU LAW. Recent episodes focus on everything from prescription drug abuse to mergers in health care to sports law.

The episodes are available on the SLU LAW website (law.slu.edu/podcast), Soundcloud and iTunes. They will also be announced on the SLU LAW Facebook and Twitter. Listen, enjoy and share!

HERE’S WHAT TWITTER’S BEEN SAYING ABOUT SLU LAW:

@ArtStLouis
Rolling out the red carpet (ish) for our neighbors today!

@SLUPresident
I appreciate the opportunity to join the Faculty Senate Kickoff Dinner tonight at the beautiful @SLULAW Scott Hall.

@Dean_WPJohnson
Proud to be part of @SLULAW family: Law School Inducts 15 New Members to Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

@ChicagoMuseum
On 10/4 at #CHMDebateWatch, get the expert opinion on the importance of VP #debates from Joel Goldstein of @SLULAW: http://2016debatewatch.com/

@SophieZavaglia
Looking forward to listening to this morning’s Vacant Property Summit @SLULAW #vacantproperties

@NAACP_LDF
Thanks to @SLULAW students for helping St. Louis residents get #PreparedToVote over the weekend!

@mobarnews
ICYMI: William P. Johnson has been appointed dean of @SLULAW effective 1/3/17 #MOLawyers

@STLonAir
“Everything he did was to further the access of justice to the poor,” said @MikeWolfFSTL, dean of @SLULAW, of Judge Teitelman.

@SLU_CPHSJ
@SLULAW Thank you to our No. 1 health law partner! @SLU_HealthLaw #SoJustTownHall
Fourteen students received their Juris Doctors during the 2016 midyear commencement. They celebrated at a special reception on Dec. 15, in Scott Hall. Each student gave a brief speech, and Dean Michael Wolff offered his congratulations and parting advice.

Congratulations to the following students who graduated in December 2016:
- James G. Avery
- Daniel Gordon Barnett
- Bradley Scott Byars
- Theresa Irene Condon
- Samantha J. Costello
- Colleen Ann Dunn
- Jordan A. Elliott
- Michael Grace N. Flash
- Christina L. Gamel
- Sury Garcia Sanchez
- Ryan Michael Russell
- Erin Salfen
- Carl Kirt Salmon
- Andrew G. Uecker
A SNAPSHOT OF THE
FALL 2016
INCOMING CLASS

27 STATES REPRESENTED
AL, AR, AZ, CA, FL, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, MA, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NV, NY, OH, OR, RI, SD, TN, TX, VA, WA, WI
183 STUDENTS ENROLLED

- 20.4% MINORITY
- 45% MALE
- 55% FEMALE
- 87.9% FULL-TIME
- 12% PART-TIME

154 MEDIAN LSAT SCORE  (75TH TO 25TH PERCENTILE: 158-151)
3.40 MEDIAN GPA  (75TH TO 25TH PERCENTILE: 3.62-3.13)

8 FULL-TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

92 UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTED

86% OF STUDENTS RECEIVED A MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIP
Dean Michael Wolff retired on Jan. 2, 2017, after serving four years as dean, with nearly 30 combined years of service to the Saint Louis University School of Law. Wolff joined the SLU LAW faculty in 1975. He left the University in 1998 to become a Missouri Supreme Court judge for 13 years, two as chief justice. In 2011, he returned to SLU and was named dean of the law school in 2013.

As dean, Wolff ushered the School of Law into a new era in the downtown Scott Hall building. Under his leadership, the law school experienced an increase in job placements and alumni engagement, as well as a significant ascent in U.S. News and World Report rankings. He has been widely recognized for his many contributions to the field.
As he was leaving the office, Wolff reiterated a message he had given to graduates over the years:

“Upon retiring from an office, a position or a school that one has called home for so long, it is tempting to offer gratuitous advice on the way out. As many of you know, I have done so with our graduates as they leave our halls. So here are some parting shots.

Some of these bits of advice I have borrowed from those I have known over the years; others I have violated to my great regret. But these are random pieces of advice, and while there are 10, they are not the Ten Commandments, so you are free to violate them pretty much without fear of damnation.

1. **You can get a lot accomplished if you are willing not to take the credit for it.** A corollary: if you want power, give it to others. Control freaks actually control very little.

2. **If someone confides in you, keep the secret.** If you share the secret, even with your most trusted friend, it no longer is a secret.

3. **Learn from your clients and your co-workers.** They know more about life than you do. That may be why they are your clients. And your co-workers — including especially those who may not have law degrees — are often wiser than you.

4. **When someone offends you, write that person a message if you feel the need.** Tell him or her exactly how you feel. Be sarcastic. **Then do not send it.** If it is an email, save it in your “drafts” and look at it in a week. Then delete. If it is a letter, put it in a drawer not in an envelope. Whatever you do, do not post it on social media. Email and social media can rob us of the time to think things over.

5. **People will forget what you said, the poet Maya Angelou observed, but people will never forget how you made them feel.**

6. **You do not really need to screen your telephone calls.** Years ago when I was in Legal Services, in a fit of what seemed like misguided egalitarianism, I decided that if I was “in,” I was “in” for everyone. If I needed to get work done, uninterrupted, I was out for everyone. It still is true — but now, I am sad to say, hardly anyone calls.

7. **You are entitled to your own opinions. But not to your own facts.** Strive to be accurate sources of information. When I was lobbying occasionally over the years, I learned that there are three sources of power in politics and government: money (for campaigns), votes and information. If you have no money to fund campaigns and do not control a major bloc of votes, the only thing you may have to offer is information. Accurate information sometimes is enough. Inaccurate information (also known as “lies”) can rob you of your most valuable asset — your reputation.

8. **Learn from your failures.** When I taught trial advocacy, I told students that you learn from cases that you lose — because you re-try them in your head for years — and probably learn not nearly as much from cases that you win. Admit your mistakes in the active voice: “I was wrong,” not: “Mistakes were made.” If something isn’t working, try something else. Here’s a definition of insanity: Doing the same things over and over and expecting different results. But I digress.

9. **Digress.** Let your thoughts wander, think about things other than law, politics or public affairs . . . like science, religion, art, music, “Dancing with the Stars.” Whatever. Legal training teaches us to be focused, to get to the issue, to the point that we come to regard our clients, our loved ones, our non-lawyer friends as little bundles of irrelevancies. Are they really?

10. **Pay attention to the light that flickers in your brain.** It’s asking you: Is this why I went to law school? I hope you think about that question often. And my fondest wish for you is that the answer — always — will be “yes.” You cannot do better than to follow the flippanit and sage advice of Mark Twain. “Always do right,” he said. “This will gratify some people and astonish the rest.”

It has been a privilege to be your dean and your colleague. I know that you will extend the same kindness, support and encouragement to my successor Professor Bill Johnson as he takes up the post.

I feel encouraged for what lies ahead for this great institution, which will continue to endure and grow, centered on our timeless mission. Our students will continue to impress with their involvement and dedication to the study of law, and our alums will continue to lead with compassion and integrity.

For one last time from me, thank you for your support. Please continue to be an active part of this worthy community: speak to our students, come to our events, stay in touch. I plan to.”

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STRENGTHENING OUR IRISH TIES

ALUMNI AND SLU LAW FRIENDS MAKE SECOND TRIP TO DUBLIN AS GUESTS OF AMBASSADOR KEVIN F. O’MALLEY
For a second year in a row, SLU LAW was invited to bring a group of alumni and friends to Dublin, Ireland, as guests of the Honorable Kevin F. O’Malley (A&S ’70, Law ’73), then-U.S. Ambassador to Ireland. The carefully planned excursion showcased the Irish legal system and the important relationships the SLU LAW Center for International and Comparative Law (CICL) is making with our colleagues in Europe.
More than 25 alums, spouses and friends participated in the trip that kicked off with cocktails at the Westbury Hotel on Grafton Street in Dublin on October 19. The following days were packed with meaningful interaction with the Irish courts organized by then-center director Professor Bill Johnson, Ira Trako, assistant director for CICL, and Sheridan Haynes, assistant dean of development and alumni relations, in conjunction with the Honorable Justice John MacMenamin of the Supreme Court of Ireland. Justice MacMenamin hosted behind-the-scenes tours of the criminal courts building, a discussion with Michael Noonan, the Minister of Finance of Ireland, which was held at the beautiful and historic Law Society of Ireland, and a private tour and discussion at the historic Green Street Courthouse.

An evening program at Irish firm Mason Hayes & Curran included a CLE featuring Brendan Berne (’02), of counsel at Artus Wise in Paris, and Micheal Grace, an MHC partner and a participant in the law school’s exchange with University College Cork, discussing hot topics on transnational practice. The panel also featured Killian Kehoe, another Cork J.D. exchange participant, and Dr. Irene Lynch Fannon, professor and head of college at University College Cork.

The group also visited historic Irish sites in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Easter Rising. These included the General Post Office, which served as the headquarters of the uprising’s leaders, as well as Kilmainham Gaol, where many of these leaders were later executed.

The trip culminated with a lunch featuring Ambassador O’Malley and Dr. Eoin O’Dell, professor of law from Trinity College, followed by a reception at the U.S. Ambassador’s Residence in Phoenix Park. Ambassador O’Malley was gracious in sharing his thoughts on his experience in the role, as well as the importance of maintaining a close relationship between Ireland and the United States.

Justice MacMenamin will be visiting SLU LAW and the St. Louis legal community the week of April 10. Stay tuned for programming details.
Second generation Irish-American Kevin O’Malley (A&S ’70, Law ’73) served as the 31st United States Ambassador to Ireland from 2014 to 2017. During his tenure, Ambassador O’Malley devoted his time to strengthening the relationship between Ireland and the United States, with a focus on the next generation. In that vein, he developed the Creative Minds Series, a cross-cultural program that invited prominent U.S. artists, writers, filmmakers, digital culture innovators and musicians to share their experiences with young Irish students and audiences. The mission of the series was to find ways to create new collaborations and encourage more creative economic links between young people in the United States and Ireland.

Of his time in office, Ambassador O’Malley says, “It has been the highest honor of my life to serve my country as the United States Ambassador to Ireland. Ireland was already imprinted on my heart. It was more than a place for me. It was a way of life that involved hard work, spiritual values, determination and wit. The chance to represent my country in the land of my ancestors — it was incredibly humbling.

The blessings rolled in, and I will forever cherish them. One thing I know for certain is that America’s relationship with Ireland will continue to thrive because the ties that keep us together are so deeply rooted and so strong. I am inspired by the greatness of the Irish people, and in the days ahead, I will continue to do everything I can to enhance, to broaden and deepen this enduring friendship. I hold great gratitude in my heart to President Obama for giving me this opportunity. I hold great gratitude to the Irish people, for welcoming me home.”
ALUMNI IN Paris

BRENDAN BERNE, ATTORNEY, ARTUS WISE PARTNERS AARPI

Alum Brendan Berne (’02) is no stranger to SLU LAW. His brother Jason is a SLU LAW ’00 grad, and his father Richard is a 1985 alum who also earned his Ph.D. from SLU in 1979 (philosophy of education) and two Master of Arts degrees in 1969 (theology and divinity).

Perhaps it’s that instilled SLU pride that explains why Berne, as an attorney in Paris with Artus Wise Partners AARPI, is one of the law school’s biggest champions in Europe. In January 2017, he helped organize a reception and dinner for SLU LAW friends and alumni in the Paris region, which is home to one of the largest masses of SLU LAW alumni outside of the United States. The dinner was a chance for the alums to connect with each other, meet Dean Johnson and reconnect with their alma mater. The response was fantastic and yielded productive ideas about ways in which these alums can assist current students as well as continue to cultivate a robust European alumni network.

Berne currently serves as co-chair of the Paris chapter of the American Bar Association (ABA) and as a senior adviser to its international litigation committee. Previously, he served as a board member of the French-American Bar Association (FABA) for five years. In February, he also took on the role of adjunct professor in international business law at the Institut Libre d’Etude des Relations Internationales, a grande école of international relations.

In the following Q&A, Berne gives the Saint Louis Brief a glimpse at his life and work in Paris and his connection to SLU LAW.
SLB: How/why did you become interested in pursuing a career in law, specifically international law?

BB: I have always had a great interest in languages. I graduated from the University of Chicago with a bachelor’s degree in modern letters with a concentration in the Romance languages and subsequently pursued a master’s degree in history and philosophy from Columbia University, which I completed entirely in Paris. By the time I entered SLU LAW, I had already spent almost three years abroad, so I gravitated naturally toward SLU LAW’s offerings in international and comparative law. I had not initially intended to become a lawyer, but when the moment came to decide between an academic or professional path, a career in law seemed like an ideal way to combine my foreign language abilities and international experience with a high level of autonomy and creativity.

SLB: Did SLU LAW have a role in helping launch your career path?

BB: SLU LAW certainly had a major role, as did my employer and professional mentor at the time, Henry Mohrman, for whom I clerked during my three years in law school and who was very supportive of my goals.

SLU LAW’s exchange program with the Université d’Orléans was a very attractive option. The Center for International and Comparative Law (CICL) is one of SLU LAW’s best assets. Anyone who has studied at SLU LAW knows how committed the professors are. There are real opportunities for meaningful exchanges between the professors and students. It is an environment in which true mentorships can form. I am particularly grateful for all the help and advice I received from professors Isaak Dore and Joël Monéger in fostering my international and comparative law career. When I revealed to them my intention to study law in France and eventually sit for the Paris Bar exam, they were nothing but supportive. I should also mention professor Nan Kaufman, who was also very helpful during that time.

SLB: What are you looking forward to about being an adjunct professor at the Institut Libre d’Etude des Relations Internationales?

BB: I am very excited about my teaching position at ILERI. I am teaching a course in international business law, a required course to graduate. I relish the chance to introduce this fascinating topic. It offers a perfect conduit to explore the main aspects of international law in practice. I look forward to hearing these students’ points of view. Every time it’s a discovery for them as students, you stand the chance of making one yourself as a teacher.

SLB: What do you enjoy most about living and practicing law in Paris?

BB: I met my wife, who is from Ireland, 10 years ago in Paris. We have both been living here the better part of 20 years. Our children were born here. There are of course many things to like about this city. Most would mention the architecture or the food. These things are wonderful, but probably what I like the most about Paris is the people you meet here. You encounter people from all over the world in Paris. Not to mention, its proximity to so many great places. Paris is only a two- to three-hour flight to around 50 countries.
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Furthermore, we face more and more competition from the so-called alternative business entities and related professions, such as accountants who are offering legal services in direct competition with us lawyers. I have found that business clients often consider legal services to be more of a burden on the business model, rather than a value added to it. Clients are not always sure what it is we do and why it brings value. In order to brush away these misconceptions, a greater emphasis needs to be made on clarifying our role, thereby making ourselves more relevant to the lives of our clients. We need to appreciate the impact that the law has on the lives and businesses of our clients. Lawyers of tomorrow need to be able to speak the language of their clients. We may not be able to match the computing power or

SLB: During the SLU LAW Ireland alumni trip, you led a CLE workshop about “hot topics of transnational practice.” Could you give an overview of these topics?

BB: Thanks to SLU LAW and the generosity of Ambassador O’Malley, my wife and I got to experience a very rare treat in visiting the U.S. Ambassador’s Residence in beautiful Phoenix Park.

Our “Hot Topics” discussion was very well received. We were four on the panel and each presented a “hot topic”: Irish SLU LAW alumni Micheál Grace and Killian Kehoe discussed the likely effects of the recent “Brexit” vote and the incoming EU General Data Privacy Regulation, respectively; UCC Professor Irene Lynch Fannon spoke on the EU Commission’s decision declaring Ireland’s treatment of Microsoft contrary to EU rules regarding state aid; whilst I discussed the VW diesel fraud case highlighting how cross-regional consumer torts such as these can lead to vastly different outcomes in terms of remedies due to differences in respective legal systems.

SLB: What are your thoughts about the future of legal education? What can SLU LAW do or continue to do to prepare graduates for the future?

BB: Law schools have always had the enormous task of training lawyers in a constantly changing world. We are currently entering a period in history in which changes are coming at a dizzying pace. Innovation and other technological advances are not just a threat to manufacturing jobs. Artificial intelligence is beginning to encroach upon the legal profession, too, especially threatening jobs once occupied by first year associates.

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Sara Susnjar (’07) is another alum whose flair for all things international has led her to practice abroad. Susnjar lives and practices law in Paris, where she is an associate at Winston & Strawn, LLP, offering legal services in four languages (French, Spanish, Croatian and English).

Raided in Chicago, she attended the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign for undergrad, during which time she landed internships with the U.S. Congress and the European Commission in Washington, D.C., as well as the British Parliament in London. While at SLU LAW, she also interned at the Robert F. Kennedy Center for Justice and Human Rights and at the Department of Justice. These internships, in addition to her formal education, helped her decide to pursue a career in international law, specifically practicing commercial and investment arbitration, as well as some cross-border litigation.

For Susnjar, one of the most attractive features of a SLU LAW education was the option to obtain two law degrees in three years: a J.D. from SLU and a French law degree from University of Paris-Dauphine.

“This meant not only that I was able to take and pass the Illinois Bar and the Paris Bar, and perfect my French, but that I had a strong background and education in both civil and common law – which is actually an asset in the field I practice in,” Susnjar said. “I also participated in the Madrid Summer Program, which was a great opportunity not just to work on my Spanish, but become very familiar with a third legal jurisdiction.” These experiences during and out of law school helped her push herself out of her comfort zone and challenge herself. She also credits her SLU LAW professors for guiding her in the right direction, and she encourages current students to find their own mentors.
predictive ability of AI, but we can gain the respect of our clients and remain relevant if we are able to engage the client as a partner and not as a mere dispenser of counsel.

SLB: Can you describe how you “give back” to SLU LAW and why it’s important for you?

BB: Being able to support SLU LAW has always been important to me. Our goal here is to promote the SLU LAW name in Europe. We are formalizing our alumni network here in order to advise and support the international and comparative law program, promote its student and faculty exchanges and help law students secure summer internships, which is so critical for future law graduates eager to undertake this challenging but deeply rewarding specialty that is international and comparative law.

“They say that mentoring cannot be forced, and I agree,” she said. “The personal connection that I have had – and still do have – with certain professors is really irreplaceable.”

Because of these experiences, Susnjar believes in staying involved with the international SLU LAW network and says there’s nowhere else to give but back.

“Giving back and mentoring does not just keep us young, but continues the cycle in ways that we sometimes cannot tangibly see.”

Susnjar says she enjoys the complexity of her cases and all the legal issues they touch upon. “No case is really the same, and the diversity in what I do keeps me on my toes and my mind flexible.”

Susnjar has lived in Paris since 2008 and enjoys Paris not just for the cultural aspects but for the professional opportunities she has found there.

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“Professionally, my field of practice is actually quite small, and there are only a handful of places in the world where this kind of advocacy is practiced, so I am very fortunate to have made Paris my home. The food and the wine aren’t that bad, either...”
INTRODUCING
Dean William P. Johnson
Prior to his appointment as dean of Saint Louis University School of Law, William P. Johnson kept a low profile. He joined the SLU LAW faculty in 2012 as an associate professor and co-director for the Center for International and Comparative Law (CICL). He took over as Center director in 2013 and became a full professor in 2016, teaching courses in commercial transactions, international transactions and international law.

Before coming to SLU, Johnson taught at the University of North Dakota, having previously worked for six years as an associate for Foley & Lardner LLP, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and having clerked for the Hon. Russell A. Anderson of the Minnesota Supreme Court. He received his J.D. from University of Michigan Law School in 2001. Despite Johnson’s unassuming disposition, several students attribute their being at SLU LAW directly to him.

“I met Dean Johnson at a reception before I came to SLU as someone who was leading the international law program. He is honestly the reason why I’m at SLU,” said 3L Ryan Reed, online editor of the Saint Louis University Law Journal and president of SLU’s Jesuit honor society Alpha Sigma Nu. “He was responsive; he was open and honest. I took two of his classes, and he was my favorite professor.”

Samantha Costello, who graduated from SLU LAW in December, had a similarly impressive first interaction with Johnson. She says that after meeting him at an Admitted Student Day program, her decision was made.

“I wanted to be at a place where the professors actually cared about the students and not only wanted their students to succeed, but were willing to help them,” Costello said. “He took the time to sit with me and asked me about my interests. He listened to my concerns and reassured me that I can pursue my passions while attending law school.”

“When the dean selection was announced, I was ecstatic,” Reed continued. “He is the perfect candidate to lead SLU LAW. He is exceptionally intelligent, personable and exact in everything that he does. I’ve always been blown away by his intelligence. It’s clear from any conversation with him that he’s an exceptionally brilliant man, exceptionally humble, a kind person, a family man.”

A FAMILY MAN

Johnson is indeed a family man, and that background has helped shape his character and his worldview. He grew up on a family farm in northern Minnesota as the seventh of eight children. His family raised sheep and beef cattle and produced enough crops for their own use as well as their livestock’s. His parents did not have much money, he said, but they were incredibly generous.

“The farm helped me appreciate a lot of things, including the importance of hard work,” Johnson said. “My father is 82 years old, and he continues to work hard farming full-time. That’s what he knows best, and it’s what he loves. And so I’ve always been familiar with the value of hard work. I also grew up witnessing my parents giving of their limited resources generously, and it helped to develop a sense of responsibility, a sense of duty to be of service as and when possible, even when resources might be scarce.”

Despite growing up on a farm "sort of in the middle of the woods," Johnson says that from a very early age, he wanted to study languages and see the world.

“When I expressed this interest, it was unusual. It’s not really what farm kids in Cass County, Minnesota, do. And I didn’t know where it was going to take me,” he said.

As soon as he had the opportunity to take his first flight and travel, Johnson signed up for an exchange program in Germany at age 18, which changed the course of his life. It helped him decide to integrate his interest in internationalism into everything he’s done since, and his parents were nothing but enthusiastic.

“When I decided it was time to leave the farm and go off into the wide world out there, they helped to make that happen. And so I come from a background that is, well, one where becoming a law professor and law dean someday was not part of my imagination. And yet, I had a tremendous amount of support and encouragement, and I’m very grateful for that.”

Johnson married his high school sweetheart Kathleen after they attended the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities together. He got his bachelor’s degree in German with a minor in Russian in 1995, and he also speaks Italian and Spanish. He and Kathleen have been married 22 years and have three children, a son and two daughters, ages 18, 15 and 12. In his (sparse) free time, Johnson serves as the head coach for his daughter’s seventh grade CYC soccer team. After moving frequently throughout the years, his family was happy to settle in St. Louis.

“For my family, really quite literally the first week we were here, there were people who were reaching out to welcome all of us, and it didn’t take long for my children to feel at home. We’ve bounced around a lot, and so my children’s ability to develop a circle of friends and a sense of belonging was important for me. When they did that, in particular in light of the fact that SLU’s been such a good fit, it became clear quickly that we were here to stay.”

Johnson says he appreciates St. Louis’ history, architecture and cultural richness, and he especially appreciates St. Louis winters.

“Coming from Minnesota and practicing in Wisconsin, teaching in North Dakota, we’ve been hugging the Canadian border, and we had no idea until we moved here that winter could be a lot better. And so we really love that a lot.”

SLU LAW VISION

As he takes the helm at SLU LAW, Johnson aims to prepare to face the challenges of a changing legal industry by building on the school’s existing strengths and expanding opportunities for students.

He sees particular potential in invigorating SLU’s international recruitment efforts and forging new partnerships with institutions across the globe. Johnson believes this will not only benefit enrollment and bolster SLU’s international reputation for excellence in programs such as health law, but will offer distinctive cultural opportunities for American students on campus as well as those interested in practicing outside of the United States.

Johnson also wants to build on the strength of SLU LAW’s alumni, not only to continue growing opportunities for current students, but to further the careers of alumni, as well.

“I see engagement with our alumni as something that benefits us and our students
and faculty and our community, but I also see it as something that benefits our alumni,” he said. “I think it’s important for me to listen to our alumni, to see what it is that they would like to do in terms of engagement with the law school, but I also have some ideas about what I think might be useful and interesting to them.”

Johnson believes the law school is well situated to develop more robust alumni networks and facilitate cross-referral connections among alumni, particularly in areas where there are critical masses of alumni, such as Paris, Dublin and Shanghai, as well as St. Louis, Chicago and Washington, D.C. He also wants to continue more traditional methods of engagement, such as getting speakers for CLE events and symposiums and harnessing financial support for initiatives that alumni support. He sees all of these efforts as being tied together. He knows that alumni love the institution and want to be part of the solution to ensuring its continued success.

“The more we engage with our alumni, the better we will understand what our alumni’s interests are and how they perceive their own ability to invest in the law school. I’m very eager to find out how they envision cooperating with us.”

“Bill’s done a really terrific job both as a professor and as director of the Center for International and Comparative Law,” said Michael Wolff, dean emeritus. “In that leadership role he has worked very well with alumni. He is extremely well-rated by the students, and the faculty are overwhelmingly impressed with his abilities and leadership.”

Internally, Johnson believes in cultivating a climate of unity. At a forum in January, he praised the faculty and staff’s shared commitment to SLU LAW’s students, its mission and the pursuit of excellence. Johnson believes in leading by example, and encouraged his colleagues to hold him accountable and reach out to him with ideas, suggestions and concerns.

With his particular forte in international law, Johnson sees SLU LAW’s Jesuit mission in places others might not. “Certain there are traditional, social justice-minded career paths in public interest involving service for and with others that an alumna might follow,” Johnson said. “There are numerous organizations around the world that are focused on human rights issues, for example, and organizations that are focused on the rule of law. The rule of law is critical to a democracy and democratic institutions, and vice versa, and lawyers play a critically important role in terms of helping to establish and maintain the rule of law. There are jurisdictions around the world where governments or organizations are still trying to figure out how best to protect human rights and civil liberties and how best to establish the rule of law. And so if we can help to train and
Johnson's greatest trait: his ability to empower and inspire students. He has helped guide my education and career path by opening my eyes to my passion for international law. He is always encouraging.

Professor Rob Gatter, co-director of the Center for Health Law Studies and member of the 13-person search committee to select the new dean, says the "wow moment" for the faculty was seeing how quickly and effectively Johnson, as a new SLU professor, had enriched CICL and enhanced its standing as an asset for the school.

"He's one of the first in the building every day and one of the last out, and that's always been true of him. He has an incredible work ethic," Gatter said. "I think what really defines him is leadership by example. He is one of those people who knows everybody and speaks to everybody – faculty, staff; he gets to know them, and they feel that they know him. You can trust him, which is a great thing."

Johnson says he looks forward to identifying new ways in which the SLU LAW community can collaborate.

"I'm going to continue to focus on my deanship not being a story so much about me," he said. "If I can play a role in helping to bring out the best in people, I will. If I can play a role in helping to instill a sort of sense of direction, of optimism about the future, something that I feel very deeply, then I will do that, as well. And we should all be proud of what we accomplish together, in my view."

Johnson also says it’s important to keep in mind that even if one’s practice environment is not perceived to be traditionally oriented to serve the public interest, the mission continues to be relevant for everyone. When he was in private practice, he says he found ways to leverage his skillset and passion by getting involved with refugee claims on a pro bono basis, working with senior lawyers and supporting their work with his own understanding of international law.

"In other parts of the world, the idea of pro bono is at various stages of development," he said. "Our graduates can be part of furthering that commitment to the public interest and otherwise furthering the Jesuit mission, and so it’s not limited to the U.S. in my view. I think there’s a lot of opportunity and I’m excited about it, I really am.”

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It’s no secret that health care has been in the national spotlight for the better part of the last decade. It’s also not a secret that the program at SLU LAW’s Center for Health Law Studies is consistently recognized as the nation’s premier health law program. With the unknowns currently surrounding health care coverage, the law school has much to offer to make sense out of the muddle and to ensure that society’s most vulnerable are not forgotten.
The yearlong Health Law Policy and Advocacy: Grassroots Advocacy course is one way in which SLU LAW prepares students to enter the health policy field. Taught by Jane and Bruce Robert Professor Sidney Watson, the course empowers students to be active members in the field. Since joining the faculty in 2001, Watson has been a force of nature focusing on access to health care, particularly for people who are disadvantaged: low-income people, rural communities, inner-city communities and people with disabilities, among others.

“I’m very concerned that we have a health care system that serves the whole person,” she said. “By that I mean: much of what makes us healthy or not healthy is outside the medical care system. It has to do with where you live, whether you live in a safe neighborhood, a safe home, whether you have a good job — and making sure we have a health care system that takes that into account.”

The complexity of that vision necessitates a range of community partnerships, so about 10 years ago, Watson began working with a group called the Missouri Rural Crisis Center, which is a statewide organization of family farmers with about 6,500 members, to conduct a survey assessing their members’ health insurance. The results indicated that most of the farmers had very poor, catastrophic coverage because that was all they could afford. Representatives from the Center were invited to present the study to the press to become advocates for themselves, as well.

Discussions around the ACA have always been political, Watson acknowledges, but she says one of the ways she avoids getting caught in the weeds of partisanship is to focus on the basics: ‘Why do people need health insurance? What does this law do? How could it do it better?”

“I think we’re about to enter a robust national conversation about the future of health reform,” she said. “There have certainly always been ways we could improve the ACA, but I think this will be a conversation about what are our options, what are the alternatives.”

Watson’s students come away from the course with a strong understanding of how to hit the ground running. Some of her former students work in Washington, D.C., at the Department of Health and Human Services or with advocacy groups. Others work with state governments or with legal services to help people enroll in market-based plans. Still others work with local nonprofits, such as Catholic Charities and the Missouri Foundation for Health.

“We knew there was going to be a need for lawyers to help small, community-based groups in making sure the laws that were implemented really served people well,” she said. “We also wanted to train our law students to learn how to do health policy work, to advocate before legislators and agencies, to learn how to work with grassroots organizations.”

The students in the course assist in doing policy analysis for a statewide network of consumer health advocates. They’ve made three trips to Jefferson City, Missouri, to talk with state legislators about various health policy proposals, and have been joined by SLU nursing students in leadership capstone classes who are interested in learning how to advocate for their patients. Watson estimates her students have given more than 6,000 presentations and have interviewed more than 500 people about the experience of getting health insurance for the first time, or the experience of being caught in the ‘Medicaid gap’ between Medicaid eligibility and Marketplace subsidy eligibility. They’ve helped those people talk to their legislators and the press to become advocates for themselves, as well.

Sidney’s course offers law students a great way to learn practical skills through service learning,” said 3L Maddie Johnston. “We get to work with consumer health advocacy organizations on state and federal health policy initiatives. We also write fact sheets and briefs on key issues and pending bills and regulations, and help write and present testimony before legislative and administrative bodies. Ultimately, the grassroots course teaches us the important skills we need as lawyers going into the public policy sector.”

“I love the health law students and the community that is our health law alumni network,” Watson said. “I love seeing our health law students move from the grassroots advocacy course to being a policy advocate. I love when I can have one of my students this year go shadow a student from three years ago. I love that I can email a health law alum and say ‘Hey we’ve got a student who would love to do what you’re doing; would you talk to him or her and help them get started?’ and they always say yes. I love it. And then I love that they’re happy with what they’re doing.”

This summer, Watson will be expanding her focus to encompass global health issues. She will serve as the director of the 2017 Summer Law Program in Madrid, where she will be teaching a course on health, law and justice in developing countries. The course will take a look at current legal issues relating to health and health care that create tensions between rich and poor countries.
The Order of the Fleur De Lis, Saint Louis University School of Law’s highest honor, is in its second year. On Sept. 16, 2016, 15 men and women were bestowed this great recognition as they were officially inducted into the Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

Throughout the years, Saint Louis University School of Law continues to faithfully pursue the mission set by Ignatius of Loyola and the Jesuits - to be “men and women for others.” In that spirit, SLU LAW recognizes notable alumni who have used their experiences in the classroom to better the world around them.

The evening presented an experience for faculty, staff, friends and family to witness firsthand who these individuals are, and how they have taken what they learned at SLU LAW to help those most in need. These individuals were celebrated for their renowned success professionally and in service, and will continue to serve as an inspiration for generations of SLU LAW graduates to come.
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Dennis C. Donnelly has both served his community and the law profession with passion and vigor. He was an assistant circuit attorney for St. Louis until 1968, and then served as U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri and Eastern District of Illinois. As a senior counsel of Bryan Cave LLP, he is currently on the advisory board for Ranken Technical College and for Boys Hope/Girls Hope.

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Susan A. “Tonie” FitzGibbon, professor emerita, has been an integral part of the SLU LAW faculty since 1987, becoming the director of the William C. Wefel Center for Employment Law in 1994. A specialist in employment law, arbitration and mediation, Fitzgibbon faithfully taught contracts, labor law and alternative dispute resolution. She earned her J.D. from SLU in 1984.

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David J. Hensler is a top-rated business litigation attorney in Washington, D.C. focusing on securities fraud litigation, internal investigations, and many other types of general commercial litigation. Hensler received both his A.B. and J.D. from Saint Louis University. After law school, he joined the General Counsel’s Office of the Securities and Exchange Commission and was an adjunct professor at Georgetown Law. Hensler is currently a partner at Hogan Lovells LLP in Washington, D.C.

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Joseph L. Leritz has experienced a successful profession in law. Having appeared in state and federal courts at all levels including the U.S. Supreme Court, he is a member of the Missouri Bar Association and the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis. He also served as a president and member of the Association of Defense Counsel. He is currently a senior partner of Leritz & Plunkert, P.C. specializing in fire insurance, subrogation, insurance coverage litigation and commercial litigation. He graduated from SLU LAW in 1952.

HENRY F. LUEPKE JR.
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Henry F. Luepke Jr. received his A.B. from the University of Notre Dame in 1957 and his J.D. from Saint Louis University School of Law in 1960. He has faithfully served the local community as an attorney for both the St. Louis City and County and throughout Missouri. He is currently of counsel of Lewis Rice LLC, a law firm in St. Louis, Mo.

MARIAN V. “BO” MEHAN
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Marian V. “Bo” Mehan has worked with a heart of compassion, serving on various leadership positions such as Cardinal Glennon Children’s Hospital Foundation, Catholic Services for Children, the Girl Scout Council of Greater St. Louis and the St. Louis Art Museum Foundation. She currently works in estate planning at Lewis Rice LLC, where she has been for more than 30 years. Mehan received her J.D. from Saint Louis University School of Law in 1982.

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As chairman of SNR Denton, Robert F. Scoular is a trial and appellate attorney specializing in complex litigation. He passionately serves the local Southern California Community as a member of the executive committee of the Board of Directors of Public Counsel and leads the firm’s Los Angeles pro bono efforts. He is president, chair of the board of directors and general counsel of the L.A. Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He’s also a member of the Southern California Advisory Board of the Daughters of Charity Foundation.

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John G. Simon exemplifies a man that has compassion and a heart for social justice. He founded Simon Law Firm, P.C., where he dedicates his career to helping injury victims and is currently a member of the American Association for Justice. He has served on the Board of Governors of the Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys since 1991 and currently is an adjunct professor at Saint Louis University School of Law teaching trial advocacy. Simon received his undergraduate and law degrees from Saint Louis University in 1983 and 1986.

ARLENE ZAREMBKA
CLASS OF 1974
Arlene Zarembka earned her B.A. in economics from Swarthmore College in 1970 and her J.D. from Saint Louis University School of Law in 1974. After graduation, she spent six years as an attorney in Legal Services and six years in a private practice partnership before she opened her own law firm in 1987. Zarembka has advocated for civil liberties and civil rights for all persons throughout her practice, writing more than 90 published commentaries on civil rights, civil liberties, and social and economic justice.
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> Conception (A&S ’61) & Ambassador James (Law ’65) Michel
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> Jean (Law ’80) & Stephen Moore
> Joseph (Law ’59) & Nancy Mueller
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> Janet M. Robert (Law ’80)
> Catherine (Law ’83) & Gary (Law ’83) (Faculty) Rutledge
> Stanley Schechter (Law ’61) & Elizabeth Van Uum
> Mary Holloran-Schwartz (Med ’96) & Thomas Schwartz (Law ’95)
> Suzanne Sheridan (Law ’73) & Michael Bocchini (Grad A&S ’75)
> Alan (Law ’75) & Linda Siegel
> Stephen (Law ’80) & Miriam Singer
> Stephen (Law ’88) & Angela Strum
> Cynthia (Grad SW ’76) & Joseph (Law ’77) Thornton
> Mary Tonkin (Law ’81)
> Mary Pillsbury-Wainwright & Arthur Wainwright
> Sidney Watson (Faculty)
> Maxine & Robert (A&S ’70, Law ’73) Weis
> Randy (Law ’81) & Andrea Weiss
> Robert (Law ’55) & Rosalee Welling
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1971
HON. ROBERT S. COHEN, former St. Louis County judge, joined the mediation panel of United States Arbitration & Mediation, the leading provider of mediation and arbitration services.

HON. MICHAEL E. SHAY authored his sixth book, Henry Ware Lawton: Union Infantryman, Frontier Soldier, Charismatic Warrior, published by the University of Missouri Press. Shay is a judge trial referee for the state of Connecticut.

1974
WILLIAM P. LEVINS was selected by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as the 2016 recipient of the Bert P. Pettinato Award for Pride in Public Service. He is the district counsel for the St. Louis District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

1975
MARY ANNE (OLWELL) SEDEY was named a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

1976
MARK HASSAKIS, managing partner of Hassakis & Hassakis, P.C., was reappointed to serve as a member of the Child Law Section Council of the Illinois State Bar Association. Hassakis also volunteers to support the Illinois Bar Foundation, the charitable arm of the ISBA. He was recertified by Super Lawyers and has been recognized as a Leading Lawyer in Illinois.

ANNETTE P. SEIGEL HELLER was awarded the The William L. Weiss Senior Lawyer Award by the Bar Association of St. Louis for her long and dedicated service to the organized Bar.

1979
JOSEPH T. PORTER, JR. joined Armstrong Teasdale. His practice focuses on financial institutions and the regulatory issues involved in the operation of state and federal banks, and savings and loan associations.

1980
TIMOTHY CASEY, of Collins Einhorn Farrell, P.C., was named to the Michigan Super Lawyers list.

1981
PAUL MATECKI joined the St. Louis firm of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. as of counsel and a member of the firm’s Securities & Financial Services industry group.

1982
JEFFREY HEBRANK, partner with HeplerBroom LLC, was the recipient of the President’s Award for the Illinois Association of Defense Trial Counsel.

GREGG KIRCHHOEFER was inducted into the 2016 International Association of Outsourcing Professionals Hall of Fame for his contributions to outsourcing and his leadership in the industry for more than three decades.

GERARD V. MANTESE and his sister THERESAMARIE MANTESE (’80), of Mantese Honigman, PC, opened an office in St. Louis in their childhood home. Mantese Honigman, PC, based in Troy, Michigan, focuses its practice on business litigation, including shareholder and member rights. Fellow alumnus BOB RADICE (’82) is of counsel to the firm.

NANCY MOGAB, a principal at Mogab and Hughes Attorneys, P.C., received the 14th Annual Workers’ Compensation Distinguished Lawyer Award, presented by the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis and Kids’ Chance of Missouri.

MARVIN NODIFF received the annual Distinguished Service Award from the Community Associations Institute and published his fourth novel, The Condo Kerfuffle.

1983
HON. PAULA BRYANT was appointed circuit judge for the 22nd Judicial Circuit by Gov. Jay Nixon.

THOMAS MOGA was appointed to serve as a member of the board of directors of the American Intellectual Property Law Association. He continues to serve on the board of directors for the Fulbright Association, the U.S. alumni organization representing Fulbright grantees.

1984
JOHN AMMANN, SLU LAW’s McDonnell Professor of Justice in American Society, was named to St. Louis Magazine’s 2016 Power List.

HON. COLLEEN DOLAN was sworn in as judge of the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District.

TERESE DREW was selected by the Missouri/Southern Illinois Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates to serve on the national board of delegates.

1985
PATRICK J. HAGERTY, a principal in the St. Louis plaintiff litigation law firm Gray, Ritter & Graham, P.C., was named 2017 St. Louis Lawyer of the Year in personal injury litigation-plaintiffs by Best Lawyers in America. He also was listed in the 2017 edition in the area of railroad law.
DOUGLAS OMMEN was appointed interim insurance commissioner for the state of Iowa by Gov. Terry Branstad.

1986
HON. DENNIS R. RUTH, of the Third Judicial Circuit Court of Illinois, was inducted as a Fellow of the College of Workers’ Compensation Lawyers.

JOHN SIMON was named to the 2017 Best Lawyers in America in the area of commercial litigation, mass tort litigation/class actions-plaintiffs, medical malpractice law-plaintiffs, personal injury litigation-plaintiffs, and product liability litigation-plaintiffs. He was awarded the Legal Services of Eastern Missouri’s Robert Walston Chubb Award and the Corporate LiveWire 2016 Product Liability Lawyer of the Year for Missouri. He also received St. Louis Magazine’s Lawyer of the Year Excellence in Law Award.

STEPHEN WOODLEY, a principal in the St. Louis plaintiff litigation law firm Gray, Ritter & Graham, P.C., was named 2017 St. Louis Lawyer of the Year in medical malpractice law-plaintiffs by Best Lawyers in America. He also was listed in the 2017 edition in the area of personal injury litigation-plaintiffs.

1988
VANESSA (ROBINSON) KEITH was selected as recipient of the Excellence in Law Awards, Pro Bono, by St. Louis Magazine.

MARGARET T. DONNELLY was appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon as circuit judge for the 21st Judicial Circuit, which covers St. Louis County.

WENDY WIEDEMANN HUDSON was promoted to the position of chief counsel-torts for the United States Postal Service National Tort Center. She worked in private practice for 11 years prior to joining the U.S. Postal Service Law Department.

JOHN NATIONS president and CEO of Bi-State Development, was named to the St. Louis Magazine Power List 2016. He also was recognized by Construction Forum STL with a 2016 Building Tomorrow Award.

JIM ONDER and his team were selected as finalist for the Public Justice Trial Lawyer of the Year Award.

JAMES SIEVERS, partner at Sievers & Associates, became a member of the Public Defender Commission of Missouri.

1989
ROBERT EGGMANN, a partner/shareholder at Carmody MacDonald P.C., was named to the 2017 Best Lawyers in America in the area of bankruptcy and creditor debtor rights/insolvency and reorganization law.

HON. BRIAN MAY was appointed judge for the 21st Circuit of Missouri by Gov. Jay Nixon.

1991
STEVE CLARK, of Runnymede Law Group, was recognized by Super Lawyers for the ninth time in the field of complex business litigation.

HON. ELLEN DUNNE was appointed associate circuit judge for the 21st Judicial Circuit, which covers St. Louis County.

ANTHONY G. SIMON was named a 2017 Best Lawyers in America in the areas of litigation-antitrust, litigation, intellectual property and litigation-patent.

TIFFANIE STASIAK was elected managing partner of the Kutak Rock Denver office. Stasiak is the first woman to serve as managing partner in any of Jutak Rock’s 18 offices.

1992
HON. JOSEPH DUEKER was appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon as judge of the 21st Judicial Circuit Court of Missouri, which encompasses all of St. Louis County.

TODD PALMER a partner at Michael Best & Friedrich LLP, was named to the 2017 Best Lawyers in America. He also was recognized in Chambers USA 2016 as a Leading Lawyer in the area of natural resources and environment for the state of Wisconsin.

DEBRA STACHOWSKI PIERCE was promoted to vice president of compliance and associate general counsel-healthcare for Golden Living, a multi-state, long-term care company based in Fort Smith, Arkansas.

1993
MELVIN KENNEDY, with the Law Office of Melvin D. Kennedy, LLC, joined the mediation panel of United States Arbitration & Mediation (USA&M), the leading provider of mediation and arbitration services.

HON. BRADLEY PAISLEY was appointed as the resident circuit judge of Christian County in the Fourth Judicial Circuit by the Illinois Supreme Court.

DANIEL R. SOKOL, of Capes Sokol, was selected for inclusion in the 2017 Best Lawyers in America.

1994
HON. RICHARD STEWART was appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon as associate circuit judge for the 21st Circuit of Missouri, which covers St. Louis County, by Gov. Jay Nixon.

1995
MIKE BASIL was named general counsel for for the newly formed Illinois Department of Innovation & Technology under Gov. Bruce Rauner.

1996
EROL AMON, M.D., was recognized as a Best Doctor in Obstetrics and Gynecology by St. Louis Magazine.

HON. NICOLE COLBERT-BOTCHWAY associate circuit judge, 22nd Judicial Circuit, was the recipient of St. Louis Magazine’s Community Service Excellence in Law Award.

STEPHANIE DIRSCHERL joined Argent Capital Management LLC as director of marketing. She will lead, develop and implement the firm’s internal and external marketing strategies.

AMY COLLIGNON GUNN was named 2017 St. Louis Lawyer of the Year in mass tort litigation/class actions-plaintiffs. She also was listed in the 2017 edition in the areas of medical malpractice law-plaintiffs, personal injury litigation-plaintiffs and product liability litigation-plaintiffs.

STEVEN STENGER county executive for St. Louis County, was named to the St. Louis Magazine Power List 2016 and received the 2016 Chairman’s Award from Citizens for Modern Transit.

1997
HON. JOSEPH P. KEAVENY, formerly a state senator, was appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon as a worker’s compensation administrative law judge in St. Louis at
KENNETH P. DANZINGER became a shareholder at Simmons Hanly Conroy, one of the nation’s largest mass torts firms. He focuses his practice on helping individuals and families impacted by asbestos-related diseases.

HON. LISA PAGE was appointed judge of the Missouri Court of Appeals, Eastern District by Gov. Jay Nixon.

1998
MATTHEW DEVOTI assumed the role of president of the Gateway Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Board of Directors.

LISA G. MOORE, president of Paule, Camazine & Blumenthal, was named 2017 St. Louis Lawyer of the Year in family law by Best Lawyers in America.

1999
AMY RUBIN joined Stock Legal, LLC, in the general corporate practice.

2000
MARCUS HELT of Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, was named to the 2017 Best Lawyers in America.

2001
CHRISTOPHER A. PICKETT, an officer in the Litigation Practice Group at Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. in St. Louis, was selected among the St. Louis Business Journal’s Diverse Business Leaders for 2016. In addition to his litigation practice, Pickett is Greensfelder’s chief diversity officer.

DAVID WULKOPF joined Stock Legal, LLC, in the general corporate practice.

2002
RENEE REUTER was named 2016 Intellectual Property Individual of the Year at the 10th annual Lexology and International Law Office Global Counsel Awards in London. She was also part of the North America Team of the Year at the 2016 World Trademark Review Industry Awards and was on the award shortlist for in-House Counsel of the Year and Vehicles & Transport Team of the Year.

JOHN D. RYAN was named member and partner at Osburn, Hine, & Yates L.L.C.

2003
HON. TIM BOYER was appointed associate circuit judge for the 22nd Circuit of Missouri by Gov. Jay Nixon.

KIMBERLY GARDNER was named to St. Louis Magazine’s Power List 2016.

KELLY LIBBRA was elected partner at HeplerBroom LLC. Her practice focuses on trials involving complex business litigation matters, including toxic torts and product liability.

HON. JASON SENGHEISER was appointed associate judge of the 22nd Judicial Circuit Court by Gov. Jay Nixon and was an honoree of St. Louis Business Journal’s Diverse Business Leaders.

2004
MICHAEL ADRIAN of Lathrop & Gage, St. Louis, was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

COURTNEY (HARASHE) GREGORY became a shareholder at Simmons Hanly Conroy. She focuses her practice on helping victims of mesothelioma and other asbestos-related diseases.

JOHN MAHON was named to U.S. News & World Report’s Best Lawyers in America, which recognizes only the top 4 percent of attorneys in the country, for his work in product liability litigation.

RYANN (CARMODY) MANTOVANI, an associate at Carmody MacDonald, was an honoree for the 2016 St. Louis Business Journal’s “40 Under 40.”

JENNIFER MATTHEW, of the City of St. Louis Circuit Attorney’s Office, received the Missouri Lawyers Weekly Public Service Award.

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2005
RYAN DICKHERBER became a shareholder at Simmons Hanly Conroy. He represents individuals and families impacted by asbestos-related diseases and has secured millions of dollars on their behalf.

DANIEL FINNEY III, of the Finney Law Office in St. Louis, was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

BETH K. FLOWERS has been named a shareholder at the law firm of Mathis, Marfian & Richter, Ltd. She practices in the areas of probate and trust administration, estate planning, real estate law and business law.

JOHN FOLEY became a shareholder at Simmons Hanly Conroy. A leader of the firm’s Pharmaceutical Litigation Department, he focuses his practice on protecting the rights of victims harmed by dangerous pharmaceutical drugs.

MELISSA CROWE SCHOPFER, of Simmons Hanly Conroy in St. Louis, was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

ELISE (VOGES) SENTI was elected to the partnership of Husch Blackwell.

2006
CODY FAVILLA became a shareholder at Simmons Hanly Conroy. He focuses his practice on exposing what asbestos companies knew about the dangers of asbestos exposure and their failure to protect their employees.

RYAN KIWALA became a shareholder at Simmons Hanly Conroy. As a member of the firm’s asbestos trial team, he has 11 years of experience developing mesothelioma cases against defendants who neglected to protect workers from exposure to asbestos.

JOHN RICHARDSON became a shareholder at Simmons Hanly Conroy. He has handled more than 125 cases, recovering over $100 million for individuals and families impacted by asbestos-related diseases.

2007
ANNE-MARIE BROCKLAND was named to the 2017 Best Lawyers in America in the area of personal injury litigation-plaintiffs and was a recipient of the Missouri Lawyers Weekly Women’s Justice Rising Star Award 2016. She also was named to the 2016 Super Lawyers list.

DANETTE DAVIS, a real estate partner at Dentons, was selected as an honoree the St. Louis Business Journal’s 18th annual “Most Influential Women” awards.

AMY L. FEHR, a shareholder with Capes Sokol, was selected by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2016 recipient of the Up & Coming Law Firm Leader Award.

KATIE JOHNSON was named senior advisor at Moneta Group in St. Louis. She provides comprehensive financial planning and advice.

DAN LYTLE was elected partner at HeplerBroom LLC. He focuses his practice on trials involving complex litigation matters, including personal injury/wrongful death, premises liability, products liability, insurance, public utilities and commercial litigation.

KATHERINE (FANSLER) MOORE was named real estate associate counsel at McBride & Son Homes, which is recognized as the largest union builder in the U.S.

NARCISA (PRZULJ) SYMANK was promoted to shareholder at Sandberg Phoenix & Von Gontard PC. She splits her time between the firm’s litigation and corporate practice groups, acting as employment general counsel for firm clients and defending lawsuits.

SHIRLEY (ROSEN) TASKER joined Voorhees Family Law, LLC, as an associate in the firm’s domestic litigation practice. She will advise clients on dissolution, custody and other domestic litigation matters.

GREG ZITKO opened The Zitko Law Firm, LLC in St. Louis.

2008
MOLLY BATSCH, an attorney with Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale PC, was an honoree for the 2016 St. Louis Business Journal’s “40 Under 40.”

MEGAN (FUCHS) CALDWELL was named partner at Husch Blackwell.

KEVIN CARNIE was named to the 2016 Missouri Super Lawyers list.

DAVID DETERDING was elected partner at HeplerBroom LLC. He focuses his practice in the areas of labor and employment law, commercial litigation and appellate matters.

DANIEL GARNER, of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, St. Louis, was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

SARA SALGER has been named a partner with the Edwardsville-based law firm of Gori Julian & Associates.

ERNESTO SEGURA was elected to the partnership of Husch Blackwell.

2009
RAUMESH AKBARI, member of the Tennessee House of Representatives for the 91st district, spoke at the 2016 Democratic National Convention.

LAUREN BOAZ was elected partner of SWMK Law.

ELEANOR (DEVEREUX) BRAUN joined Stock Legal, LLC.

ELIZABETH GRANA was elected partner of Behr, McCarter & Potter PC.
MOLLIE HENNESSEE, of Tueth Keeney Cooper Mohan & Jackstadt in St. Louis, was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

WILLIAM JACKSON was promoted to shareholder of von Briesen & Roper, s.c., in the Milwaukee office.

BRADLEY NECKERMANN was named senior assistant prosecuting attorney of Phelps County, Missouri.

LAURA SCHWARZ was named as a member of Reno & Cavanaugh, PLLC, in Washington, D.C. She focuses her practice on affordable housing finance.

2010

abby bonjean joined the Chicago office of Polsinelli as an associate.

TIMOTHY CRONIN was named to the 2017 Best Lawyers in America in the area of product liability litigation plaintiffs.

E. SAMUEL GEISLER was named partner at Aylstock, Witkin, Kreis & Overholtz, PLLC. He focuses his practice on pharmaceutical and medical device product liability litigation.

Amy Johnson of Paule, Camazine & Blumenthal in St. Louis, was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

MICHAEL RANDAZZO was appointed Reynolds County prosecuting attorney by Gov. Jay Nixon.

KEVIN SALZMAN was elected Ford County Attorney (Kansas).

2011

ERICA BLUME SLATER, of the Simon Law Firm, was named to the 2016 Missouri Super Lawyers List and was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

MICHAEL KELLA was named to the 2016 Missouri Super Lawyers List.

MELISSA C. (HABERER) MEIRINK joined Mathis, Mariﬁan & Richter of Belleville as an associate and focuses her practice in civil and commercial litigation.

MATT VIGIL joined the Commitment Defense Unit at the Missouri State Public Defender System.

2012

russel baker joined Segal McCabridge focusing his practice on toxic tort and complex commercial litigation.

Jonathan J. Bollozos joined the St. Louis office of Polsinelli as an associate.

DENISE CHILDRESS, director of operations and trial attorney at Ward & Associates, was selected by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2016 recipient of the Up & Coming Law Firm Leader Award.

GREG DELASSUS of Harness Dickey in St. Louis, was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

ADAM C. DOERR joined the St. Louis ofﬁce of Jackson Lewis, P.C. He focuses on management in labor and employment matters before state and federal courts, administrative agencies and arbitrators.

CLAIRE KAL TEN BACH was selected as a 2016 St. Louis Business Journal “30 Under 30” and as a recipient for the Young Lawyers Division Award of Merit by the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

GARY R. SARACHAN, of Capes Sokol, was selected for inclusion in the 2017 Best Lawyers in America.

JOSEPH WHITENER joined the St. Louis City ofﬁce of the Missouri State Public Defender.

2013

CHELSEA HARRIS joined the Jefferson City ofﬁce of the Missouri State Public Defender.

ADAM J. OLSZESKI joined Williams Venker & Sanders as an associate. His practice currently focuses on products liability, medical malpractice and insurance litigation.

DEREK STEGELMEIER joined Jenner & Block in New York City as a staff attorney focusing on international foreign language cases.

2014

D’ANN BEY joined Walsh Gallegos Trevino Russo & Kyle P.C. as an attorney.

GRANT BOYD was named to St. Louis Business Journal’s 2016 “30 Under 30.”

RICHARD BROSEMER joined PohlmanUSA Court Reporting and Litigation Services, a nationwide court reporting and litigation services firm, as a national account executive.

JEREMIAH GIBSON joined the Ofﬁce of the Missouri State Public Defender.

JACOB HOLLARS joined the Denver ofﬁce of Spencer Fain, where he focuses his litigation practice in the areas of employment litigation, commercial litigation, bankruptcy litigation and special districts litigation.

JESSICA R. MCMULLEN joined Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP in Chicago as an associate.

SANJA (VLAHOVLJAK) ORD joined the St. Louis ofﬁce of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. as a member of the ﬁrm’s Health Care Industry Group.

JOHN G. WILLARD joined the St. Louis ofﬁce of Armstrong Teasdale LLP as an associate. He is focusing his practice on ﬁnance, bankruptcy and real estate law.

2015

MAYO ALAO joined the Indianapolis ofﬁce of Hall, Render, Killian, Heath & Lyman. He practices in the area of health care law with a focus on hospital and health system matters, regulatory and compliance issues, corporate transactions and hospital/physician alignment.

ANDY E. KAISER joined Brinker & Doyen LLP as an associate. Kaiser will practice in the areas of civil litigation, insurance fraud, personal injury defense and premises liability.

BRITTANY LOMAX of Husch Blackwell in St. Louis was named by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as an Up & Coming Lawyer.

GINA SAVOIE joined the St. Louis City ofﬁce of the Missouri State Public Defender.
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BRENDAN KETCHUM began employment with the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office as a trademark examining attorney.

VICTORIA MARSZALIK joined the Office of the Missouri State Public Defender.

NILDA VASALLO, of Marrero & Wydler, received the Jody Hanson Law Journal Award.

MARI KATHERINE WEBB has joined the St. Louis City office of the Missouri State Public Defender.

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FOCUS ON GIVING BACK

The Office of Development and Alumni Relations highlights why alumni give to the School of Law and the different avenues available to support future legal education at Saint Louis University. In this installment, we take a look at a loyal donor who strives to pass on the SLU LAW legacy to the next generation of students.

JACK BRAY (A&S ’60, LAW ’62)
COUNSEL, KING & SPALDING
AUTHOR, THE TUDOR WOLFPACK AND THE ROOTS OF IRISH AMERICA

I GIVE TO SLU LAW BECAUSE...
SLU has been revered in my family for generations. My grandfather graduated from SLU LAW. I was awestruck when, as a young child, I first saw the majestic DuBourg Hall. My older brother told me that this was a place of serious scholarship, and that the Jesuits and lay faculty there trained you for life. Once I experienced that training in high school, I never considered for a moment attending a different college or law school. All these years later, SLU has never disappointed. In a world that wavers and falters, SLU has held to its true course, and I revel every year in seeing firsthand the exceptional quality of its graduates.

I AM A LOYAL DONOR BECAUSE...
The education I received was superb, and I was helped along by extraordinary faculty, fellow students and staff.

I SUPPORT THE ROSEMARY BRAY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP BECAUSE...
The Rosemary Bray endowed scholarship honors my mother. The expense of private education was beyond our means, but she worked and sacrificed to make a Jesuit education possible for her sons. She wanted that assistance passed along to others.

I ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO GIVE TO SLU LAW BECAUSE...
When I compare the potential for good that comes from contributing to worthy institutions, I see at SLU a tried and true institution I have examined closely for 60 years. I have the highest confidence that my own philanthropy and that of others could not be better used than for future students receiving their education at SLU.

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