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In 1892, 125 years ago, the University of Colorado Law School opened its doors in the old hospital building, Kent Hall, thus beginning our legacy in legal education. Not only does this letter mark the start of Colorado Law’s 125th year, our quasquicentennial, it also gives me the opportunity to reach one of my daily goals of learning something new, as I learned a new way to say 125th anniversary.

An auspicious anniversary motivates us to reflect. As I reflect upon my own experiences as dean thus far, I am grateful to be part of the Colorado Law community. The students, faculty, and staff at the law school are first rate, and we have supportive and generous alumni and friends. It’s been less than a year since I started as dean, beginning a new chapter in my life with a great group of people, and an exciting next chapter with Colorado Law. The timing of this 125th anniversary is serendipitous to my arrival as it allows me to learn about the history of the law school and how our strong foundation will give us the fortitude to thrive in the future.

The issues the law must address are increasingly complex, and the need for problem-solving, forward-thinking, and ethical legal professionals grows while the legal landscape continues to change. Colorado Law, locally rooted with a global outlook, is well-positioned to continue to build on our legacy of strengths and project them across the state, nation, and world.

I was pleased to see the spark of inclusiveness displayed in our early history, when our first graduating class of 1894 included a female, and our first student of color enrolled in 1897. Accessibility to a high-quality legal education is imperative.

We need to ensure that talented students from diverse backgrounds have the opportunity to pursue a Colorado Law education by keeping tuition down and providing robust scholarships.

Our Legal Aid Clinic, one of the first in the nation, was launched in 1948 after Professor Clyde Martz obtained approval from the Colorado Supreme Court to authorize students to practice law under the Student Practice Rule. We need to continue to offer relevant and practical learning opportunities, public service fellowships, career counseling, and loan repayment assistance to expand job opportunities for our students and graduates. As a charter member of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS) in 1901, Colorado Law continues to be at the forefront of legal education. We must retain and attract first-rate faculty members and continue to develop academic programming at the highest level of excellence to prepare our students to take on the challenges and opportunities of today’s world.

Looking forward, the future is bright. Our focus on greater accessibility, increased opportunity, academic excellence, and a global outlook coupled with our foundational strengths will continue to build Colorado Law as a nationally and internationally renowned school. Please join us at our 125th celebration on June 8, 2017, at the law school. I look forward to the journey with each of you and, as always, I welcome your thoughts, suggestions, and ideas as well as your questions and concerns. Please feel free to reach out to me directly at 303.492.3084 and lawdean@colorado.edu.

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN
DEAN S. JAMES ANAYA
JUST THE FACTS

101% increase in scholarship funding to students in the past five years

0% increase in Colorado Law’s tuition in the past five years

13% decrease in average indebtedness of 2016 graduates who borrowed compared to the three previous classes

#18 national rank for members of the Class of 2015 employed in full-time clerkships lasting one year or more

#31 national rank for Class of 2015 graduates employed in full-time JD-required or JD-advantage positions lasting one year or more

38% increase in applications to Colorado Law for academic year 2015–16 over the previous year, the most ever received

22 major books published by faculty since 2015

9.96:1 student-to-faculty ratio
COLORADO LAW CLASS OF 1899

In the fall of 1892, the University of Colorado Law School opened its doors in Kent Hall to its first class of 23 law students. Over the last century and a quarter, Colorado Law has occupied five buildings, seen 16 deans, and prepared thousands of graduates for successful legal careers. Today, Colorado Law, locally rooted with a global outlook, is a nationally recognized innovator and a leader in legal education.
LEFT TO RIGHT


ALUMNI SHARE THEIR FAVORITE MEMORIES

“My recollections of Colorado Law are very positive. I attended college at Dartmouth—Neil King ('56) was there as well—and when I considered law school I spoke to Neil’s father, [former dean of Colorado Law] Edward C. King. The visit with Dean King convinced me that CU was the place to pursue my legal education. I enjoyed all the faculty, but had a special relationship with Homer Clark (we fly fished together) and with Clyde Martz. I worked with Clyde the summer after I graduated to organize one of the early meetings of the Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Institute. My work on that project was rewarding and satisfying.”

Don McMichael ('56)
Retired business lawyer

“I was admitted to law school in the fall of 1956 without taking any test—such as the LSAT—to gauge my aptitude to succeed; therefore, I was somewhat apprehensive when I attended the indoctrination session before classes started in September. My concerns were exacerbated when the 78 attending the session were told to take a good look at the person seated on either side because at the end of the first semester one of us would flunk out. Thus, one of my favorite memories is checking grades on the bulletin board after first semester finals, and knowing I would be in school the next semester.

“My second favorite memory is assisting in the move from Guggenheim to the Fleming Law Building in December 1958 before our class graduated in June 1959. It was exciting entering the newly constructed building with large tiered classrooms, an inviting student lounge, and a much larger library. However, I am sure that many of us still missed Guggenheim, which was located in the center of campus, and where one of our favorite forms of entertainment was pitching pennies on the sidewalk along the south side of the building.”

Greg Martin ('59)
Of Counsel, MMARTINLAW LLC

“My favorite memory of law school is the relationships I developed over my three years. Many of those relationships arose from where I lived with two classmates—Sid Whiting ('65) and Charlie Batts ('65). We called our place ‘The Farm.’ It was located by the Boulder airport. Most of the law school parties held from 1963 to 1965 were held at ‘The Farm.’ Everybody in school was invited. We danced to the Beach Boys and Buddy Holly records in the basement and sat around upstairs by the fireplace talking about school and current events. It is also where, in November 1963, we sat for days watching the latest news about the assassination of JFK. On a happier note, ‘The Farm’ is where we adopted and raised a Boston terrier dog. We aptly named it Austin after our beloved criminal law and trusts professor—Austin Scott, who appropriately came to Boulder by way of Boston.”

Bob Miller ('65)
Partner, Perkins Coie LLP
“My fondest memory of being a student at Colorado Law is preparing a paper on height control in the Law and the City Environment class, which resulted in a Boulder city charter amendment that controlled height to 55 feet. This saved the historic buildings in downtown Boulder and the view to the mountain backdrop.”

Ruth Wright (’72)
Retired legislator, environmentalist, and historian

“My fondest memory of law school is the three years I spent with my classmates in the yet-to-be-surpassed Class of 1975, which includes three Knous Award recipients. We supported one another and celebrated our accomplishments. Through collaboration, we grew from intimidated first-year students to confident graduates. The bonds that we formed among ourselves and the law school continue to this day.”

Betty Carter Arkell (’75)
Partner, Holland & Hart LLP

“I would not say that this is my fondest memory of law school, but it is one of the most vivid: At orientation, the first hour, the first day of law school, I happened to be sitting next to Jan Steiert (’78) and we instantly became close friends. We were both terrified by Professor Larry Treece (’67), who stalked the stage like a lion, exhorting us to study 12 to 15 hours a day outside of class! Fast-forward three months, and Professor Treece was mercilessly grilling me on UCC 2-207—it was so brutal that both Larry (who later became a colleague and friend) and I remember it to this day.”

The Honorable Ann Frick (’78)
Former Denver District Court Judge
“My favorite law school professors were Mimi Wesson and Emily Calhoun. When I had the privilege of learning from these fine women, female professional role models were much fewer and farther between. Professors Wesson and Calhoun were rock stars in my world. They remain shining examples in my life of poise, intelligence, and wisdom. Even as I write today, I miss them. And because there are still so many glass ceilings to be broken, I appreciate their accomplishments and courage immensely. Thank you, Mimi and Emily, for inspiring me!”

Roxanne Jensen ('85)
Founder, Evolve-Law.com

“The first day of classes, I remember showing up in Professor Howard Klemme’s ('54) Torts I and hearing him start the session by telling us that we were only going to learn five percent of the law during law school. I remember thinking to myself, ‘Why did I come here to learn so little?’ Then Professor Klemme explained that we would be learning the five percent that would enable us to learn the other 95 percent on our own. I had never thought of education that way before, and it was a moment of great enlightenment on my first morning of law school.”

Sonny Cave ('85)
Executive VP, General Counsel, Secretary, Chief Risk Officer, and Chief Compliance and Ethics Officer, ON Semiconductor

“My favorite memory from law school involved my two favorite professors—Richard Collins, who taught my constitutional law and property courses, and Robert Dieter, who then taught the Criminal Legal Aid Clinic and later went on to become the U.S. ambassador to Belize. They worked together on the school’s annual mock trial competition. I was on an all-female team that had won the schoolwide mock trial competition, and went on to the regional competition in Wyoming with expert coaching from both Professors Collins and Dieter. We lost at the regional competition, in part because the judges told us that, as women, we could not possibly understand the mock trial scenario (involving personal injury to a professional baseball player and which we had lived with for months) as well as male participants. Naturally, we were more upset about that single comment than we were about losing the competition. Professors Collins and Dieter took immediate action to report this to the national mock trial organization, and we really felt like they had our backs and supported us.”

Beverly Ma ('87)
Assistant District Attorney, Bronx County District Attorney’s Office

“One of my fondest memories was one time when I was called upon in Professor J. Dennis Hynes’ ('60) contracts class. To set the stage, he did not typically take volunteers for questions in class and instead circulated the room in order, so we knew exactly when we would be asked to speak. I could hear my heart beating in my ears when it was my turn—and although I’m not shy, I remember being very tentative to speak. After he asked me a question, I was very relieved when he did NOT say: ‘Do you have a shorter but better answer?’ and he merely moved on. It doesn’t sound like much—but that was a very good day for me.”

Karen Samuels Jones ('90)
Retired real estate transactions attorney

ALUMNI SHARE THEIR FAVORITE MEMORIES
“I have a prominent memory of being in Federal Judge Richard Matsch’s motions practice class in my third year. He was a brilliant and demanding teacher. Coming to class unprepared was like crossing the street against the light during rush hour. You might make it across, but if you don’t . . . it’ll be messy and painful.”

**George Brauchler ('95)**
District Attorney

“My best memories are exploring the tangible aspects of environmental law, such as skiing into Uncle Bud’s hut, the Rio Chama road trip with Professor Charles Wilkinson, climbing the Great Sand Dunes, and snowshoeing the James Peak Proposed Wilderness Area.”

**Sally Hatcher ('97)**
Co-founder, MBio Diagnostics

“My favorite law school memory was studying for the bar exam in the basement of the library. There were only a few weeks left before we would take the bar exam and (hopefully) achieve our goals. I enjoyed the camaraderie of studying and preparing for the most important test of my schooling.”

**Beale Tejada ('12)**
Crane & Tejada, PC.

“My favorite memories involved my classmates and the interactions we had outside of the classroom. The Venture Capital Investment Competition, the Deming Center Venture Fund, winning the Boulder recreational softball championships four seasons in a row, the Halloween parties, etc. I learned a lot in the classroom, but my favorite part of graduate school was the experiential learning and socializing that happened after hours.”

**Chris White ('14)**
Co-founder and CEO, Shinesty

Read more alumni memories online at [colorado.edu/law/125years](http://colorado.edu/law/125years).
A HISTORY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SCHOOL OF LAW

BY EDWARD C. KING*

Edward C. King was awarded the degree A.B. (1919), LL.B. (1922) and L.L.M. (1932) by the University of Denver. He was admitted to the Colorado bar in 1922, and was in active practice in Denver from 1922 to 1929. From 1937 to 1940, he was an instructor at the University of Denver College of Law. Since 1940, he has been Dean and Professor of Law at the University of Colorado School of Law.

In 1957-58, Dean King was a visiting Professor of Law at New York University, assigned as director of the Legal Research Institute at Ankara University, Turkey.

Dean King is the author of Future Interests in Colorado, and of Colorado Practice Methods. He is a member of the Boulder County, Colorado, and American Bar Associations.

The catalogue of the University of Colorado published in the spring of 1892 contained the statement that "The regents have decided to open a law school at the University. September next, provided suitable arrangements may be made. Without doubt the department will be opened at that date under the management of the strongest law faculty that Colorado can furnish." Arrangements were completed under the direction of President James H. Baker and the law school opened in the fall of 1892 with a class of twenty-three, of whom twelve finished the required two year course of study and were awarded the degree Bachelor of Laws. The twelve were George Richard Brown, Jr., Jeanette Bennett Dunham, David Elwood Fryer, John Franklin Green, Edward Clavater Howe, William Bismark Lock, James Douglas Merwin, Norton Munger Montgomery, Albert Augustus Reed, Guy Sternberg, Bethuel Matthew Webster and Milton Ray Welch. John Franklin Green of Greeley, Colorado, who on February 15, 1899 was ninety-two years of age, is the only living member of this first class of 1894.

The first faculty was noteworthy for the learning and legal talent which it represented. The first dean was Moses Hallett, who lectured upon Constitutional Law and Federal Jurisprudence. Other members of the original faculty, who were denominated

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Lecturers, and their subjects, were: Vincent D. Markham, Contracts and Sales; Ebenezer T. Wells, Real Property and Trusts; Willard Teller, Equity Jurisprudence; Hugh Butler, Commercial Law and Code Pleading; Victor A. Elliott, Water Rights and Riparian Privileges; Luther M. Goddard, Patents and Copyrights; Robert S. Morrison, Mines and Mining; John Campbell, Private and Municipal Corporations; Oscar F. A. Greene, Roman Law; Charles S. Thomas, Bailments and Evidence; Charles M. Campbell, Personal Property, Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes; Merrick A. Rogers, Criminal Law and Procedure, and Guarantee and Suretyship; Alfred C. Phelps, Personal Rights, Torts and Damages; William C. Kingsley, Domestic Relations and Partnership; Henry T. Rogers, Wills and Estates; Robert W. Bonynge, Agency and Insurance; and William Dillon, Conflict of Laws. The following additional faculty members were assistant lecturers or instructors: Herbert B. Shoemaker, Elementary Law and Commercial Law Pleading; William M. Maguire, Constitutional Law; Calvin E. Reed, Real Property; Henry C. Charpiot, Domestic Relations; Edwin B. Morgan, Equity Jurisprudence; Albert S. Blake, Contracts; Lucius M. Cuthbert, Wills and Estates; and Horace G. Lunt, Corporations. Charles E. Lowery was Librarian. The names of the teachers and their subjects are given in detail because both have historical significance.

It is interesting to note that in the first year the number of faculty members exceeded the number of students. As none of the

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In 2001, a group of law students gathered at the Dark Horse, a legendary Boulder bar, fresh out of a successful Silicon Flatirons conference. After hearing from academics, government officials, and leaders from the telecommunications industry, the students’ conversation turned to the idea of building a journal of legal scholarship dedicated to this topic. Soon after, the *Journal on Telecommunications and High Technology Law* was born.

Renamed in 2014 as the *Colorado Technology Law Journal (CTLJ)*, the student-run publication has earned a spot among the nation’s elite national technology and telecommunications law journals. Working in collaboration with the Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship, the journal staff has produced 27 issues with hundreds of articles featuring seminal moments in internet policy.

“The students who have led the *CTLJ* over the last 15 years are an incredibly impressive group, and they have built a first-rate journal,” said Phil Weiser, executive director of Silicon Flatirons and professor, who guided the founding members of the journal and served as its first faculty advisor. “The publication gives students the important opportunity to hone not only their research, writing, and editing skills, but also to learn from the realities of running an enterprise.”

Over the years, approximately 300 students have served on the *CTLJ* staff, and the journal’s 15 editors-in-chief have pursued various career trajectories after law school that include working in private practice, in-house, clerkships, and at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

Rudy Verner ’02, a partner at Berg Hill Greenleaf & Ruscitti LLP in Boulder, served as managing editor on the journal’s first edition. “Working on the journal was eye-opening,” he said. “It showed me that technology law is an emerging area of law, and that exposure taught me that I shouldn’t be afraid of practicing tech law. Even today, although I am a litigator, I do quite a bit of work with companies on internet privacy and data security. My experience on the technology law journal helped me see that those emerging areas of law could be very viable opportunities for a law practice.”

Part of the journal’s esteem emanated from its coverage on network neutrality. Articles on this topic have produced the most citations of any article printed in the journal.

From the beginning, *CTLJ* has shared a close relationship with Silicon Flatirons. The students who founded the publication wanted to collaborate with the center while building a journal of legal scholarship devoted to technological policy.

One of the fruits of this collaboration is the annual Digital Broadband Migration Conference, which showcases leaders from government, academia, and industry to assess how effectively regulatory oversight, antitrust law, and intellectual property policy regulate industry structure and which policy reforms are appropriate for the constantly changing digital broadband environment. This year’s conference took place Feb. 12-13, and featured FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler as the closing keynote speaker.

To learn more about the *CTLJ* and read past and current issues, visit [jthtl.org/articles.php](http://jthtl.org/articles.php).
Testament to a Great Conservation Law and the Resilience of Indian Tribes

By Charles Wilkinson
Distinguished Professor and Moses Lasky Professor of Law

The Antiquities Act of 1906 is unusual in the circumstances of its creation, its brevity and clarity, and in the reach and force of its success. During his term, President Barack Obama assessed whether to use this statute to create the Bears Ears National Monument, a designation that is not only unusual, but noteworthy in the ways it hews so precisely to the central, most heartfelt concerns of this great law.

The Bears Ears area is a perfect fit for the Antiquities Act. It encompasses the kind of ancient villages, and the despoiling of them, that gave rise to this law. Still, even today Bears Ears remains subject to the horrifying pot stealing and grave robbing that afflicted the area more than a century ago. National monument status will lead to more effective enforcement of the federal criminal laws.

From a conservation standpoint, this is glory country—a wonder of nature. The Bears Ears landscape holds exquisite, deep-cut canyons, arches and natural bridges, dramatic red rock formations large and small, long vistas, mountain meadows, broad mesas, and world-class climbing. It's every bit the equal of Canyonlands and other storied parks and monuments. On December 28, 2016, President Obama issued the official proclamation declaring the Bears Ears National Monument.

The Bears Ears National Monument, a landscape of 1.35 million acres, is homeland for many Southwestern tribes. In the mid-19th century, the Army force-marched tribal people out of the area and located them on reservations. But it was a place of so many homes, so many sacred sites, so much hunting and gathering, so many memories, that people continued to return.

Five tribes that have used the area since time immemorial—the Hopi, Navajo, Ute Mountain Ute, Uintah and Ouray Ute, and Zuni—formally organized the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition. After a great deal of work, on October 15, 2015, the coalition submitted to President Obama a proposal to protect the Bears Ears landscape for the creation of a Bears Ears National Monument. This historic event is the first time American Indian tribes have led an effort for a national monument.

President Obama’s proclamation calls for this new national monument to be collaboratively managed by the five coalition tribes and federal officials. No federal land unit has ever been managed in this fashion, but this is the right time and occasion for it. Bears Ears is a perfect place for the healing that is a necessary salve to the intergenerational trauma visited upon tribes by their removal from their homelands, the damaging of their villages, theft of antiquities, and digging up and removal of human remains. Collaborative oversight will provide more environmentally sensitive land management and will improve the atmosphere for healing. Non-Indian people will also find the pristine, quiet, and inspiring setting of Bears Ears National Monument to be a welcoming place for their own healing, reflection, and prayers.

The tribes also envision the new national monument as a perfect place to study and practice traditional knowledge, the knowledge system growing out of their millennia of experience with the natural world and enriched by the intellectual precept of Native Americans that they are one with the natural world. The meshing of Western science and traditional knowledge almost certainly will lead to improved land management, a phenomenon that can be carefully studied at the new national monument. Because of the increased interest in traditional knowledge in the United States and many other countries, the coalition tribes plan to establish a Bears Ears Traditional Knowledge Institute to document, study, and hold forums on traditional knowledge open to indigenous peoples and other interested citizens the world over.

The Bears Ears National Monument rises up out of the historic thinking and presidential action that marked the adoption and implementation of the Antiquities Act of 1906. President Obama rightly used the celebrated statute to acknowledge the wrongs visited upon the tribes that made the law necessary and to move to even higher ground by paying high honor to the long history of the tribes of the Southwest as well as the modern revival that the tribes themselves have wrought. The result is a luminous national monument that will be one of the most distinctive units within the entire United States public land system and that embodies America’s best traditions and values.
The Bears Ears Buttes with Navajo Mountain behind them.
Dean Anaya Appointed to Advise UN on Enhancing Representation of Indigenous Peoples

Dean S. James Anaya was appointed by the President of the United Nations General Assembly Peter Thomson of Fiji to serve as an advisor to assist with developing a new observer status for indigenous peoples at the U.N. Also appointed were Ambassador Kai Sauer of Finland, Ambassador Martha Ama Akyaa Pobee of Ghana, and Claire Charters from the University of Auckland, New Zealand. Working closely with delegates of U.N. member states and representatives of indigenous peoples, the four advisors seek to establish new procedural and institutional measures to promote effective and meaningful participation of indigenous peoples at the U.N.

Chen Named to Colorado State Advisory Committee

The U.S. Commission on Civil Rights appointed Associate Professor Ming Hsu Chen to its 14-person Colorado State Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. State advisory committee members conduct reviews and produce reports and recommendations concerning local civil rights issues, including justice, voting, discrimination, housing, and education. Chen is writing a book about the significance of the federal government in immigrant integration and cooperative federalism. She has published articles on the political incorporation of Asian Americans and minority vote dilution, the post-9/11 treatment of Muslim Americans, asylum adjudication, and the role of faith in public life.

American Indian Law Students Create Voter Awareness Video for Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

When Colorado began mail-in voting in 2013, members of the Ute Mountain Ute tribe in southwestern Colorado did not expect it to lead to the closing of the reservation’s only community polling station. Concerned that this might hurt voter turnout on the reservation in the 2016 election, tribal members partnered with Associate Clinical Professor Carla Fredericks and law students Derik Goatson ’17, Johanna Kron ’17, and Julia LaManna ’18 to create a webinar explaining the new mail-in voting process. The 15-minute webinar was shown continuously on closed circuit television on the reservation leading up to the election.
Guruswamy Receives Senior Scholarship Award


Colorado Law Students Win 2016 IP LawMeet National Championship

On Nov. 4, 2016, Sean Keefe ('17) and Parker Steel ('17) were named national champions of the 6th Annual Intellectual Property LawMeet based on draft agreements they submitted and their performances in negotiations, in which the judges acted as counsel for the opposite side. They also placed first and received the “Best Draft” award in the Midwestern regional competition held in October at Loyola University School of Law in Chicago. LawMeets competitions are the deal equivalent of moot court. The IP LawMeet’s sister competition, Transactional LawMeet, regularly involves more than 80 law schools. Colorado Law has dominated the Transactional LawMeet, winning the past three national championships.

Spain Bradley Appointed Vice Provost of Diversity for CU Boulder

Associate Professor Anna Spain Bradley began a new role as assistant vice provost for faculty affairs and diversity at the University of Colorado Boulder, effective Jan. 1, 2017. Working in the Office of Faculty Affairs and with the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Community Engagement, she provides executive education and consulting services to faculty groups aimed at enhancing professional development, diversity, and inclusive excellence. Bradley remains on the Colorado Law faculty, where she now teaches part time.

Colorado Law Hosts US Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces

On Nov. 1, 2016, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces held oral arguments at Colorado Law. The visit was part of the court’s Project Outreach program, where the court holds arguments at a handful of law schools, military bases, and other public facilities around the nation. This practice was developed as part of a public awareness program to demonstrate the operation of a federal court of appeals and the military criminal justice system. The application process was competitive, and Colorado Law was selected from a pool of 14 other law schools.
1892

**DOORS OPEN**
First female student

The first classes were held in the old hospital building, Kent Hall (1892–1894), which no longer exists. Jeannette Bennett Dunham graduated with the first class in 1894.

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1894

**HALE SCIENCE**
1894–1909

The law school moved to the recently completed Hale Science Building, occupying the north end of the second floor.

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1897

**FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN, LATINO STUDENTS**

Before attending Colorado Law from 1897 to 1899, Franklin Laveale Anderson (top left) had a barber shop in Boulder in 1896. Manuel Candido Pacheco (bottom left) moved to New Mexico to practice law after graduating in 1899.

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1982

**NATURAL RESOURCES LAW CENTER (NRLC)**

One of the first of its kind, the NRLC was established to promote sustainability in the rapidly changing American West by informing and influencing natural resources policies and decisions.

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1989

**COLORADO JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL LAW AND POLICY (CJIELP)**

CJIELP was founded by an enterprising group of law students interested in creating a publication that focused on the then-emerging field of international environmental law. It was renamed the *Colorado Natural Resources, Energy, and Environmental Law Review* in 2013.

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1990

**BYRON R. WHITE CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF AMERICAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW**

The White Center was founded through the generous bequest of alumnus Ira. C. Rothgerber Jr. (’35) to support excellence in constitutional legal scholarship and expand public knowledge and informed discussion about the Constitution.
On June 14, 1901, your Committee met in a session. Thayer, Sharp, Biggs and Huffcutt considered the above applications. Upon an examination of the requirements for admission, the course of study and the conditions imposed for the conferring of degrees in law, it was found by you that the following applicants fulfill the requirements, and the Committee recommends that they be admitted:

The Hastings Law School of the University of Colorado, School of Law.

1901
ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS
Colorado Law became one of 32 charter members of the Association of American Law Schools (AALS).

1909
GUGGENHEIM LAW
1909–1959
Former U.S. Senator for Colorado Simon Guggenheim underwrote the first privately funded building on campus.

1923
AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION
Colorado Law became one of 41 original charter members of the American Bar Association.

2000
SILICON FLATIRONS CENTER FOR LAW, TECHNOLOGY, AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Founded by Professor and former Dean Phil Weiser, Silicon Flatirons’ core mission is to elevate the debate surrounding technology policy issues and place students in the technology community.

2001
JOURNAL ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND HIGH TECHNOLOGY LAW
The student-run journal covers topics ranging from social networking to antitrust to cable franchising and beyond. It was renamed the Colorado Technology Law Journal in 2014.

2006
WOLF LAW
2006–present
The state-of-the-art Wolf Law Building earned a LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) Gold certification, which recognizes best-in-class building strategies and practices.
2010
KOREY WISE INNOCENCE PROJECT

Founded in 2001 by a number of Colorado lawyers led by Jim Scarboro (’70), the Colorado Innocence Project moved to its current home at Colorado Law in 2010. In 2015, it was renamed for wrongfully convicted “Central Park Five” defendant Korey Wise (second from left).

1928
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO LAW REVIEW

The student-run journal originally known as the Rocky Mountain Law Review was founded in 1928. It was renamed the University of Colorado Law Review in 1962.

1948
FIRST CLINIC

With a $750 budget, the Legal Aid Clinic was launched after Professor Clyde Martz obtained approval from the Colorado Supreme Court to authorize students to practice law under the Student Practice Rule.

1959
FLEMING LAW

1959–2006

Named after Dean John D. Fleming, the Fleming Law Building was the first air-conditioned building on campus. Chief Justice Earl Warren of the U.S. Supreme Court gave the dedication address.

2013
GETCHES-WILKINSON CENTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES, ENERGY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT (GWC)

In 2013, the NRLC was renamed for two of its charter members and giants in the field, former Dean David Getches and Professor Charles Wilkinson.

2014
DANIELS FUND ETHICS INITIATIVE

Colorado Law was the first law school selected to participate in the consortium of 11 business and law schools that promotes principle-based ethics education and building a foundation for personal and organizational ethical decision-making and leadership.
In this issue of *Amicus*, we celebrate our loyal donors—those individuals who support Colorado Law financially each and every year. Here are just a few of the 131 individuals and couples who have donated to Colorado Law for at least 30 consecutive years. Thank you!

**LEFT TO RIGHT**

*Top row:* St. Clair Strong, Rob Beebe, Don Slavin, John Wittenmyer, Don Haskell.

*Bottom row:* Beverly Carrigan, Patti Beebe, Nancy Wittenmyer, Ann Getches, Judy Reid, Richard Collins.
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While many connections exist between the Rector family and the University of Colorado Law School, they can be traced back to the Entrepreneurial Law Clinic (ELC), where Sarah Rector ('10) participated as a student-attorney.

After graduating, Sarah clerked for Judge Jerry Jones of the Colorado Court of Appeals, then began work as an associate in the intellectual property division of Cooley LLP in Broomfield. Shortly thereafter, following a brief illness, Sarah passed away in March 2013.

According to Associate Professor Brad Bernthal ('01), who taught Sarah when she was a student in the ELC, she represented the best of the clinic.

“Among her many admirable traits, Sarah was unusually attuned to others around her. Her natural empathy made her a valuable partner and a trusted advisor to her clients in the Entrepreneurial Law Clinic,” Bernthal said. “The bottom line is that Sarah left things better than she found them. While working in the ELC, she lit up the room. Her thoughtful approach to clients, smart analysis, and bright outlook made things better.”

To honor her memory, Sarah’s family and Cooley joined together to establish the Sarah L. Rector Memorial Scholarship. Since 2014, Colorado Law has awarded this scholarship annually to a student who embodies Sarah’s spirit and participates in the school’s entrepreneurship program.

Not long after Sarah died, her younger brother, James, attended the Colorado Law Classic, an alumni-run golf tournament that raises funds for Sarah’s memorial scholarship. It was there that he met Bernthal, who told him that the ELC was accepting new clients. James thought his new company, Teach Abroad Network, could be a perfect fit.

“I needed to prepare the legal necessities for sharing equity of the company,” James said. “I also needed to structure the company in a legal way that makes sense to do those things. These are all topics that I could spend hours and days and months looking into myself, and my sister used to always help me with legal questions I used to have. Now that she’s gone, it’s great that I can get in touch with people who share similar qualities.”

James grew up in Denver and graduated from Yale in 2007. Following graduation, he went to teach in South Korea, where he ended up staying for six years. During that time, he started two recruitment companies and opened an English language academy.

When he returned to the United States in 2013, he applied his teaching experience and knowledge to developing Teach Abroad Network, a professional networking website for educators seeking international teaching positions. The beta website launched in 2015.

“Sarah always talked to me about the people she worked with in the Entrepreneurial Law Clinic and how fulfilling she felt the work was, helping those who couldn’t necessarily get legal advice with the money they had,” James said. “I always kept it in the back of my mind as something that would perhaps be beneficial for me to investigate in the future. When she passed away, I got to know Brad Bernthal. Finally, I decided it was a good time for me to apply.”

After meeting Bernthal, James filled out the ELC’s online application and set up a preliminary interview with two student-attorneys. He said that he could tell on the spot it was going to work. Since being accepted as a client, James has had several meetings with his student-attorneys, Nicholas Troxel ('17) and Ivy-Victoria Otradovec ('17). In a happy twist of fate, Troxel is a recipient of the Rector Memorial Scholarship.

“Receiving any scholarship is cause for celebration, but hearing about Sarah’s story made this one special,” Troxel said. “It means a tremendous amount to me that I would be selected from so many qualified candidates to carry on and honor Sarah’s memory. Working with James Rector and helping his company, I feel like I am ‘paying it forward,’ and hope that my hard work shows the respect and gratitude I have for James, the Rector family, and Colorado Law.”

To learn more about the ways you can give back to Colorado Law, including establishing your own scholarship, please contact Mary Beth Searles, assistant dean for advancement, at marybeth.searles@colorado.edu or 303.492.1215.

ENTREPRENEURIAL LAW CLINIC HONORS TIES TO RECTOR FAMILY

BY JULIA SEVY
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Tournament organizers Matt Henderson ('12) and Andrew Garnett ('12) with Colorado Supreme Court Chief Justice Nancy Rice and Megan Rose Garnett ('14) at last year’s Colorado Law Classic, which raised more than $12,000 for the Sarah Rector Memorial Scholarship Fund.
Each month, Colorado Law asks five questions of a prestigious alumnus or alumna. These alumni answer the questions, “What advice would you give to graduates?” and “What do you know now that you wish you had known in law school?” To read full stories, visit colorado.edu/law/alumni-of-the-month.

**August 2016**
“Keep an open mind and try different things. You may find that the type of law or the type of job that’s the best fit for you isn’t the one you thought you would pursue when you graduated.”

Carolyn Fairless (’98)
Managing Partner
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**September 2016**
“The work you do is not about finishing an assignment. It’s about looking ahead to the next steps to reach client goals. Helping a client get to a finish line rather than finding obstacles to success is a key component for success.”

Ramsey Kropf (’91)
Deputy Solicitor for Water Resources
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**October 2016**
“Embrace the moment—the world is waiting for you to make a difference.”

Beverly Ledbetter (’72)
Vice President and General Counsel
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“When it comes to long-term job prospects and networking, carving out time to meet and make friends with classmates is equally important as making the grades.”

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Foreign Service Officer, Russian Affairs, U.S. Department of State

**December 2016**
“I have long practiced ‘servant leadership,’ regardless of whether I’ve officially held a leadership role. Servant leaders do not hoard power, they put the needs of others first, and serve first.”

Ryan Lessmann (’04)
Office Managing Principal
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Recent alumni from the Colorado Law Promising Start series answer the questions, “Why did you choose Colorado Law?” and “If you were to recommend Colorado Law to a potential student, what would you say?” Read more in the Promising Start series at colorado.edu/law/promisingstarts.

“Colorado Law provides the academic rigor for professional success, a welcoming culture, a gorgeous campus, and a remarkable environment within the thriving atmosphere of Boulder. I wanted to move to Colorado more than anything. I would visit Colorado and Boulder frequently and knew that it was a place I would fit in and wanted to be. Colorado Law offered what I was looking for: a great law school in an extraordinary place. I applied to only one school—CU.”

**Sara Clark** (‘13)  
Associate Athlete Ombudsman  
U.S. Olympics

“Colorado Law has the best of both worlds—its smaller size gives you access to your peers and professors in a way you won’t have at a larger institution, while its reputation and commitment to excellence is that of a much larger institution. Plus, you get to go to school in Boulder, Colorado, where there is plenty of fun and adventures to be had outside of the classroom.”

**Beth Ann Lennon** (‘12)  
Labor and Employment Attorney  
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“I met some of the most wonderful people at Colorado Law, from professors to other faculty to peers. Law school is competitive most places you go, but at Colorado Law, I was able to surround myself with people who inspired and challenged me. The atmosphere was so welcoming and comfortable when I came to shadow a friend of mine who went there. The people I met were interested in work-life balance and being outdoors in the most beautiful state where I also grew up, but the classes were also interesting and challenging.”

**Sarah Morris** (‘13)  
Manager of External Relations  
Jewish Women’s Renaissance Project

“Colorado Law is a highly respected institution filled with professionals who care about your success in school, your career, and in life. I chose Colorado Law because I valued its reputation as an exceptional law school. I knew I wanted to attend a school in the West, and I found it to offer the best return on investment.”

**Tamara Rivale** (‘11)  
Staff Attorney  
Wyoming Legislative Service Office

“During my interview at the Santa Clara DA’s Office, I was able to say that I had tried seven criminal jury trials as a law student. That was unheard of at this DA’s office and set me apart as a candidate. Word got around, and attorneys who weren’t even on the interview panel were asking me where I went to law school. That’s when I realized just how unique Colorado Law is when it comes to the experiential law program it has developed. I honestly believe I would not have gotten this job if I hadn’t gone to Colorado Law.”

**Teresa Souto** (‘13)  
Deputy District Attorney  
District Attorney’s Office, Santa Clara County, California
Dear Colorado Law Alumni,

125 years! Colorado Law has been educating future lawyers for 125 years. That’s an awfully long time. Anniversaries like this give us the opportunity to celebrate our incredible institution and all of the successes it has seen over the years. They also give us an opportunity to look ahead and contemplate where Colorado Law will be 125 years from now. Based on our current trajectory, we have every reason to believe that Colorado Law will continue to be a thriving institution.

Our Law Alumni Board meetings this year have included thought-provoking discussions about the changing landscape for legal education, the job market for graduating students, Dean Anaya’s vision for diversity and inclusiveness at Colorado Law, and methods of increasing alumni engagement. All of these discussions have left me feeling inspired and excited about the future of Colorado Law.

I am grateful to the Law Alumni Board for the opportunity to be the board chair this year. It has been a catalyst to dramatically increase my engagement with the law school, and the experience has been incredibly rewarding. I invite you to join me as an engaged member of the Colorado Law community. There are many ways that you can get involved, and I hope each Colorado Law alum will find a way to pay it forward.

• **Mentor** a prospective student, a current student, or a recent graduate. You have more to share than you know!
• **Volunteer** your time. Colorado Law is always looking for alumni who can assist with mock trials, host events, be a Colorado Law Ambassador, chair a class reunion, speak on a panel, conduct mock interviews...the list is truly endless.
• **Give any amount**. Tuition increases combined with the decrease in state spending on higher education have made the financial burden associated with a law degree enormous. There are many ways to give, and even more uses for those funds. Did you receive a scholarship while you were at Colorado Law? Consider paying it forward by establishing a scholarship of your own to assist current and future students.

Colorado Law is well-positioned to head into the next 125 years, and it will be better positioned with your help. I look forward to each of you finding your own way to become engaged with our law school this year.

Sincerely,

Lucy Schlauch Stark

*Law Alumni Board Chair*

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**Law Alumni Board Members**

The Law Alumni Board is made up of 28 Colorado Law graduates. The members promote the best interests of the law school by stimulating interest in, building loyalty for, and increasing support for the law school among its alumni and students, and assisting the law school in serving the needs of its alumni, students, and faculty, the legal profession, and the public at large. The 2016–17 board chair is Lucy Stark and the chair-elect is Darla Daniel.

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COLORADO LAW 2016 REUNIONS


In 2016, the 10 reunion classes raised an all-time high of $493,294 for Colorado Law!

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Colorado Law is deeply grateful to the volunteers who served on each class’s reunion committee for their time, generosity, and school spirit, as well as for encouraging their classmates to give back to help future generations of Colorado Law students.

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Gordon D. Hinds (’48) died on September 18, 2016, at age 95. Hinds was born in 1920 in Macomb, Oklahoma, and moved to Pueblo, Colorado, in 1936. Before graduating from Colorado Law, he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II, despite a lifelong hearing impairment. After completing law school, he spent almost all his professional career in public service. Hinds was appointed justice of the peace in Pueblo, followed by city attorney of Pueblo, and later, city attorney of Colorado Springs. In 1972, he married Vi Marie Weber, with whom he enjoyed 24 years before her death in 1996. Hinds firmly believed in community service and enjoyed reading, classical music, and theater. He performed frequently in shows across Colorado Springs during his retirement. Hinds is survived by his daughters, Leslie C. Robinson and Kristin G. Hinds; two grandsons; and a great-grandson.

Peggy Foster (’49) died on December 27, 2016, at age 92. After graduating from Colorado Law, she was admitted to the Kansas bar as one of three women out of the 80 lawyers sworn in. She proceeded to work in New Mexico, where she met her future husband of 57 years, Charles. The couple moved to Wichita, Kansas, where they raised five daughters and Foster continued to practice law. She is survived by her daughters, Judy Adair, Joyce Boyd (Jon), Jenne Andrews, Martha Riedmiller, and Janet Slankard (Bill); 13 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren.

The Honorable Hugh Arnold (’51) passed away at age 91. Originally from Galesburg, Illinois, Arnold joined the U.S. Army Air Corps at age 18 and fought in World War II, flying a Boeing B-17 on 14 missions over Europe. After the war, Arnold completed his undergraduate degree and married Phyllis Jean Short on September 7, 1947. Four years later, he graduated from Colorado Law at the top of his class. He practiced law for 17 years in Greeley, Colorado, before he became a judge in the 1st Judicial District. Arnold also served on the boards of the chamber of commerce, the Red Cross, and the Colorado Judicial Discipline Commission. Arnold is survived by his daughters, Laurie Arnold Walker (Don) and Allison Arnold Minnick (Dan); grandchildren; and great-grandchildren.

The Honorable John P. Zylka (’55) passed away at age 89 on June 22, 2016. He was a judge for the Fresno County (California) Superior Court. He enjoyed traveling with his children as well as poetry, sculpting, and creative thinking. Zylka is survived by his wife, Linda; and children, Sandy, Charlotte, Paul, and Curtis.

Gayle E. Manges (’55), beloved husband, father, and grandfather, passed away in his home surrounded by family and caretakers at age 85 on September 27, 2016. Born in Boone, Iowa, Manges moved to Colorado with his newlywed wife, Marilyn, after high school. He obtained a joint Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctorate degree in 1955 from the University of Colorado. After graduation, Manges served as a first lieutenant in the Judge Advocate General Corps of the U.S. Army Reserve for three years. Afterward, he worked as field solicitor with the U.S. Department of Interior in Santa Fe for 36 years. He was deeply passionate about his work and instrumental in developing conservation policies throughout the Southwest and internationally through the U.S. Park Service. Manges traveled extensively with his wife, visiting six continents and even spending one year teaching in Cuenca, Ecuador. They were married 61 years before Marilyn preceded him in death. Manges is survived by his children, Boyd (JoAnne Wilder), Joseph, and Susan (Tom McMichael); and six grandchildren.

Albert H. “Albie” Kern (’55) passed away at age 85 on June 8, 2016, due to heart failure. Originally from Chicago, he attended the University of Colorado to play football and developed a lifelong love for skiing and Aspen. After earning his JD from Colorado Law, he opened a law practice in Aspen in 1959, which he maintained for 50 years. In June 1969, he was married to an Aspen Mountain ski instructor. During his legal career, Kern worked as a contract attorney for several special districts, an assistant district attorney, and the city of Aspen’s attorney. He enjoyed helping others and spending time with friends. Kern is survived by his wife of 47 years, Sue; son, Nick (Christine); and two grandchildren.

Stanley F. Johnson (’58) died July 29, 2016, in Greeley, Colorado, at age 88. Born in Pueblo, Colorado, on September 12, 1927, he married Pauline Yarnell on July 10, 1949, in Pueblo. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, was a special agent with the FBI from 1950 to 1955, and was a Colorado House representative from 1988 to 1992, serving as Boulder county district attorney in between. In addition to his law practice, Johnson was a member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association for 15 years and worked as an announcer for the Pow Wow Rodeo. He enjoyed photography, politics, the Broncos, and his family. Johnson is survived by his children, Jennifer Johnson Seltzer (Tim), David Johnson, and Barbara Johnson (Tracy Damrell); and three grandchildren.

Donald Keith Smith (’62) died on April 21, 2016, at age 82 in Sterling, Colorado. Smith entered the U.S. Air Force in 1951 and was honorably discharged in 1954. After obtaining his JD from Colorado Law, he went to work for a firm in Sterling. Not long after, Smith opened his private law practice, which he ran for 50 years until retirement. Smith was active in multiple organizations, including the 4-H Foundation, House Delegates of High Plains Easter Seals, and Masonic Lodge No. 54, in which he participated for 50 years. Smith enjoyed hunting, cooking, reading, politics, horses, and most of all, his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, Cheryl; children, Kim Smith-Morford (Ron), John Becker, Patricia Rittenhouse (Michael), and Timothy Slater (TJ); six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

George Alan Quigley (’62) passed away at age 80 on August 17, 2016, in Davenport, Iowa. Born in Dewitt, Iowa, Quigley moved to Colorado to obtain a law degree, his proudest achievement. While in school, Quigley enjoyed spending time with friends and fraternity brothers, leading the glee club, and traveling to the mountains. The highlight of his last few years was an annual reunion in Colorado with friends at a mountain cabin and watching sports, especially the Cubs and Notre Dame. He was known by those who knew him best as wonderfully intelligent and witty. He is survived by his daughter, Suzanne Bradley; and two granddaughters.
William R. Humphrey ('63) passed away September 3, 2016. Before graduating from Colorado Law, Humphrey obtained a Bachelor of Science degree from North Dakota State University and a Master of Science degree from the University of Minnesota. He held his law degree for 51 years and practiced environmental law, corporate law, real estate, wills, and probate.

William Curtis “Bill” Wise ('65) passed away on November 29, 2016, at age 79, after a battle with cancer. Wise served as Boulder County’s assistant district attorney for nearly 30 years before retiring in January 2001, after which he worked primarily in an administrative role. Wise cherished golf and the local law community, and he is remembered for his sense of humor and knack for storytelling. He is survived by his wife, Diane Balkin; children John (Rachael) and Blake (Ania); and two grandchildren.

The Honorable Claus Hume ('65) died at age 81 on November 12, 2016. Born in Burlington, Colorado, Hume served his country as an officer in the U.S. Navy Reserve from 1954 until 1962. After graduating from law school, Hume moved to Craig, Colorado, where he practiced before being elected district attorney for the 14th Judicial District in 1972. In 1988, he was appointed to the Colorado Court of Appeals, and within one month was appointed chief judge of that court, a position he held until his retirement in 2003. Hume was a dedicated family man and citizen. He raised two children with his first wife, Jane, and was married to his second wife, Julia, for 29 years. Hume is survived by his wife, Julia; children, KC Hume (Errica), Mikala Wood (Don), Christopher Newman (Kenlyn), and Sonia McBride; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

W. Patterson “Pat” Cashill ('69) passed away unexpectedly in his home on August 27, 2016. A father, husband, mountaineer, diver, fisherman, and adventurer from Reno, Nevada, Cashill saw much of the world. Family members often traveled with him as he explored places including Mount Kilimanjaro, the Galapagos Islands, and beyond. During his law career, Cashill served as an assistant U.S. attorney for the district of Nevada, was the first Nevadan appointed to serve as a special attorney in the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section of the U.S. Department of Justice, served as president of the Nevada Trial Lawyers Association, led lobbying activities for a session of the Nevada State Legislature, held a seat on the board of governors of the Nevada Justice Association, and, at age 70, became a certified fraud examiner. Cashill is survived by his wife, Johnna; daughter, Kate (Ryan Blewett); son, John (Charlotte); and two grandchildren.

Patricia L. Shanks ('78) passed away on July 26, 2016. She was born on April 3, 1940, in Salt Lake City, Utah. She graduated from Stanford University with a Bachelor of Arts with honors in microbiology. After graduating from Colorado Law, Shanks practiced in California with a focus on environmental law. Most recently, she was a partner at McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enersen.

Melinda Davison ('86) died on November 26, 2016. She had more than 29 years of experience in litigation and energy law, and was a retired founding partner at Davison Van Cleve in Portland, Oregon.

Mary Voerding Piasecki ('87) passed away at age 68 on July 25, 2016. Prior to law school, Piasecki attended Colorado College and graduated from the University of Denver as a Boettcher Scholar. After obtaining her JD degree from Colorado Law, Piasecki served for 22 years as an attorney for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit. Piasecki is survived by her son, Joseph Stolcis (Mercedes); daughters, Anne Stolcis (Michelle Berry) and Katherine Stolcis; and two grandchildren.

Steven Penner ('02) died at age 51 on October 26, 2016. Before attending Colorado Law, Penner earned his master's degree and PhD and worked as a research scientist. He married Jamie Martucci in 1996. After he shifted to the field of law, Penner worked as a patent attorney and became a partner at Lathrop & Gage LLP in Boulder. He enjoyed his family, skiing, basketball, and watching his children play sports. Penner is survived by his wife, Jamie; and children, Caleb and Ellie.

Eric Beamish ('16) passed away on November 30, 2016. At the time of his death, he was clerking for Judge John Webb at the Colorado Court of Appeals. Prior to law school, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps for four years, after which he earned his degree in history from the University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Eric was a dear friend and trusted advisor to many. He could be counted on for a thoughtful perspective, a helping hand, and terrific jokes. Eric always pushed the importance of education and challenged himself and others to be the best they could be. He was generous with his time, his good humor, and his strong bear hugs. Eric is survived by his wife, Jauni Nova Beamish; father, Edward Beamish; mother, Cynthia Gattis; brothers, Josiah Beamish, Dallas Gattis, and Robert Beamish; sister, Cambria Beamish; stepbrothers, Allan Klingbeil and Nick (Pamela) Gattis; stepmother, Kelly Klingbeil; mother- and father-in-law, Donna and Paul Kramer; sister-in-law, Treena (Oscar) Silva; grandparents, Ardis Beamish, and Dennis and Noella Ericson; aunts, uncles, and many cousins.
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1964
On September 24, 2016, Stanley “Stan” Dempsey (’64) was inducted into the National Mining Hall of Fame at a banquet in Las Vegas. Dempsey retired as chairman of the board of Royal Gold Inc. in 2014. Pictured: Dempsey with his family, including his son, Brad Dempsey (’98), and daughter-in-law, Nancy Dempsey (’98).

1971
The University of Colorado Alumni Association honored W. Harold “Sonny” Flowers (’71) with the George Norlin Award, given to alumni who have demonstrated a commitment to excellence in their chosen field and a devotion to the betterment of society and their community. A litigator with Boulder’s Hurth, Sisk & Blakemore LLC, Flowers is a leader in Colorado’s legal community whose service includes the presidencies of the Sam Cary Bar Association, the Boulder County Bar Association, the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association, and the Colorado chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates. Flowers is a member of the Colorado Law Alumni Board.

1972
Balcomb & Green, PC. announced the retirement of partner Scott Balcomb (’72). Balcomb’s practice focused on interstate water issues, in connection with which he participated in hundreds of Colorado water court proceedings. Balcomb began working at the firm under its former name, Delaney & Balcomb, with his father, Kenneth Balcomb (’48), in 1972.

The American Bar Association Commission on Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Profession selected Thomas W. Fredericks (’72) as one of four recipients of its 2017 Spirit of Excellence Award for his commitment to racial and ethnic diversity in the legal profession. Fredericks is a partner at Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP, which is the nation’s largest Indian law firm.

1974
The Tax Law Section of the Colorado Bar Association presented Nancy R. Crow (’74) with the 2016 James E. Bye Lifetime Achievement Award for her outstanding contributions to the tax law community in Colorado. Crow is of counsel at Hutchins & Associates LLC, where she advises clients on tax matters, trusts and estates, business and tax-exempt organizations, retirement planning, and the wealth transfer process. Earlier in 2016, Crow received the J.D. Dawson Award from the Antioch College Alumni Association. The award celebrates and thanks alumni and friends who have made significant contributions to Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio.

Four Colorado Law alumni joined Spencer Fane LLP following a merger with BERENBAUM WEINSHENK PC: Larry Martinez (’74), who practices litigation and dispute resolution; Michael Belo (’77), who serves employers across a broad range of labor and employment law; Daniel Lacovis (’95), a partner whose practice focuses on employee benefits matters; and Jim Wooll (’02), a corporate litigator who advises clients on issues involving construction law, insurance coverage disputes, and employment law. The combined firm will retain the Spencer Fane name.

1975
The Honorable R. Michael Mullins (’75) joined the ADR practice group of Martinez Law Group, where he provides mediation and arbitration services. In July 2016, Mullins retired from Colorado’s 2nd Judicial District Court after 25 years on the bench.

1976
Former Deputy Secretary of State Bill Hobbs (’76) joined Ireland Stapleton Pryor & Pascoe, PC as of counsel. Hobbs expands the firm’s election law practice, drawing on his experience in the Colorado Secretary of State’s Office, both as deputy to five secretaries of state and as state elections director.

Colorado voters elected Henry Solano (’76) as district attorney of Colorado’s 3rd Judicial District, composed of Las Animas and Huerfano counties. Solano has extensive private and public sector litigation and counseling experience. He served as the Colorado U.S. attorney and as both solicitor of labor and acting secretary of the U.S. Department of Labor during the Clinton administration, and most recently was a partner in the Denver office of law firm Wilson Elser. In September 2016, Solano received the Hispanic National Bar Association’s 2016 Lifetime Achievement Award. He serves as vice chairman of the Southern Poverty Law Center and is a former board member of the National Hispanic Leadership Institute and the National Latino Children’s Institute.

1977
Colorado Springs Mayor John Suthers (’77) was honored by his high school alma mater, St. Mary’s High School, with the Marian Award. Each year, members of the St. Mary’s community nominate individuals for this award, which is presented by the St. Mary’s High School Board of Directors in recognition of unselfish service to others and outstanding contributions to the community.

1978
The Honorable Ann B. Frick (’78) joined Judicial Arbiter Group, Inc. following a 38-year career as a commercial mediator, arbitrator, mediator, and Denver district court judge. She retired from the bench of Colorado’s 2nd Judicial District Court in July 2016.

Colorado Supreme Court Chief Justice Nancy Rice appointed The Honorable Stephen Howard (’78) to serve as chief judge of the 8th Judicial District, effective January 10, 2017. In this role, he serves as the administrative head of the district and is responsible for appointing district administrators, chief probation officers, and clerks of court, and assists with the personnel, financial, and case-management duties of the district. Before being appointed as a district court judge in 2011, Howard had a general civil practice with an emphasis on business and real estate litigation in Fort Collins.

A book written by Herrick Lidstone Jr. (’78) and Allen Sparkman has been recognized by the Association for Continuing Legal Education (ACLEA), an international continuing legal education organization. The ACLEA awarded the book’s publisher, Colorado Bar Association CLE, with the Award of Outstanding Achievement in the publication category for the attorneys’ business law book, Limited Liability Companies and Partnerships in Colorado. Lidstone is a shareholder and managing director of Burns, Figa & Will in Greenwood Village, Colorado.

1979
The Colorado State Judicial Branch announced the retirement of The Honorable Gregory Lyman (’79) from the 6th Judicial District Court, effective January 10, 2017. In June 1996, Lyman was appointed to the district court, where he primarily handled civil, criminal, probate, and domestic relations matters.
Voters re-elected Clifford Riedel ('79) to a second term as district attorney for Colorado's 8th Judicial District, composed of Larimer and Jackson counties.

1982
Stan Garnett ('82) was re-elected as district attorney for Colorado's 20th Judicial District. This will be his third term as Boulder County's DA.

2016 was a unique and exciting year for Bill Callison ('82). He served as chair of the American Bar Association Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development Law, and was elected a fellow of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. He continued to serve as a technical expert and NGO delegate to the U.N. Commission on International Trade Law Working Group that is preparing a model international limited liability organization statute. Additionally, he earned a PhD in law from Tilburg University (Netherlands), where he is also visiting professor of law. He wrote his dissertation on, “Seeking an Angle of Repose: Essays on U.S. Business Organization Law,” and participated in a conference on the U.N. business organization that was organized to correspond with his PhD defense. In 2016, he had articles published in the University of Memphis Law Review and the University of Pittsburgh Law Review. Callison is a partner at Fuegge Baker Daniels LLP, where he practices primarily in the areas of affordable housing, community development, and business organization.

1983
“How to Draft a Bad Contract,” a satirical article written by Mark Cohen ('83) that was first published in The Colorado Lawyer in 2015, has received wide praise. Harvard Professor Steven Pinker praised it as “simply brilliant.” The article was republished in the Michigan Bar Journal and Scribe’s Journal of Legal Writing. Cohen earned an LLM in agricultural law in 2014 from the University of Arkansas School of Law.

1985
The First Judicial Bar Association honored The Honorable Anne Stavig ('85) with its Award of Merit at its Judges and Awards Banquet on October 15, 2016. Stavig is the presiding municipal judge for the city of Lakewood, a position to which she was appointed in July 2008.

1986
Darren Cantor ('86) became president of the Colorado Criminal Defense Bar after seven years of service on its board of directors. Cantor's experience includes 15 years of private practice in Denver at Darren R. Cantor, P.C. and seven years as a state public defender.

The Legal Aid Foundation of Colorado, which raises money for Colorado Legal Services, welcomed Mike Miner ('86) to its board of trustees. Miner is a Boulder divorce lawyer with more than 20 years of specialized experience in family law.

1988
Lynne Hanson ('88) was appointed co-chair of the business section at Moye White LLP. Her practice concentrates on franchising and distribution regulatory law. She has represented franchisors in general business, regulatory, and transactional matters for more than 20 years.

Dan Hotsenpiller ('88) was re-elected to his position as district attorney for Colorado's 7th Judicial District, composed of Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montrose, Ouray, and San Miguel counties.

Effective January 1, 2017, Samuel M. Ventola ('88) changed his firm name from Law Office of Samuel Ventola to Ventola Law. The firm's practice areas include general litigation, employment law, First Amendment litigation, estate planning, probate litigation, and mediation.

1989
Rienne McElyea ('89) was appointed to serve as the district court judge for the 18th Judicial District for Montana by Gov. Steve Bullock on December 14, 2016. McElyea was sworn in by her husband, the Honorable Wm. Russell McElyea ('89), chief judge of the Montana Water Court, on January 3, 2017.

1990
Mellanox Technologies appointed Alinka Flaminia ('90) as senior vice president and general counsel. In this role, she will handle the company's global legal affairs, public policy interests, and compliance operations. From 2007 to 2016, Flaminia served as vice president, general counsel, and corporate secretary of PMC-Sierra Inc. and has more than 25 years of diverse legal experience with technology companies.

1993
The Colorado Hispanic Bar Association awarded Lorenzo Trujillo ('93) with its Lifetime Achievement Award. Throughout his career, Trujillo has been deeply involved with the connections between public policy and the factors affecting the achievement of minority and linguistically diverse students. He has served on numerous nonprofit boards in the arts, policy, and law. He now runs a private practice, Lorenzo A. Trujillo, Esq. LLC, that focuses on estate planning and business/corporate law.
**1995**

George Brauchler (’95) was re-elected as district attorney for Colorado’s 18th Judicial District, composed of Arapahoe, Douglas, Elbert, and Lincoln counties.

DCT Industrial’s general counsel, John Spiegelman (’95), received the 2016 First Chair Award in the “Top General Counsel” category for the second time. The award recognizes in-house counsel who have made significant contributions to the legal community within their industry.

**1996**

Donn L. Calkins (’96) is pursuing a PhD in biomedical science at the Ohio State University College of Medicine.

**1997**

Mayor Michael Hancock appointed Kristin Bronson (’97) as Denver’s new city attorney. A civil litigator with more than two decades of experience in private practice, Bronson comes from the Denver office of the law firm Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie LLP, where she represented corporate and business clients as a partner.

The Legal Aid Foundation of Colorado welcomed Lindsey Nicholson (’97) to its board of trustees. Nicholson is a shareholder at Goldman, Robbins, Nicholson & Mack PC., whose practice focuses on real estate and business transactions.

Tom Ward (’97) formed a new firm, McDermott Stuart & Ward, LLP, in Denver. Ward’s practice will continue to focus on criminal defense, white-collar defense, and civil litigation.

**1998**

Gov. John Hickenlooper announced the appointment of Carolyn Fairless (’98) to the Colorado Supreme Court Nominating Commission. Chaired by the chief justice, the commission recommends candidates to serve as judges for Colorado’s two appellate courts. Fairless was appointed by the joint action of the governor, attorney general, and the chief justice.

**1999**

Molly Chilson (’99) was elected district attorney of Colorado’s 11th Judicial District, composed of Custer, Fremont, Chaffee, and Park counties. Chilson has practiced law in rural Colorado for 16 years, including 12 years serving as a prosecutor in the 11th Judicial District. She was Fremont County’s district attorney from 2005 to 2009.

Susan Doughty (’99) joined the intellectual property team at Cantor Colburn LLP, one of the largest full-service IP law firms in the country and the fastest growing patent law firm during the past decade. Doughty is a patent attorney and a PhD chemist with more than 15 years’ experience in intellectual property practice.

Senior Vice Chancellor Kelly Fox named Katherine Erwin (99) chief human resources officer for the University of Colorado Boulder. Erwin has worked for the university since 2003; most recently, she served as deputy chief HR officer since January 2015. Before that, she was director of the Office of Discrimination and Harassment and the Office of Labor Relations.

Ross Pulkrabek (’99) joined Keating Wagner Polidori Free as a partner, representing plaintiffs in business tort, legal malpractice, and trust and estate litigation cases. Pulkrabek is also the current president of the Colorado Trial Lawyers Association, the largest specialty bar association in Colorado.

**2000**

Jessica Long (’00), who has taught as a visiting associate professor and adjunct instructor at the University of Idaho College of Law since 2009, has been appointed as a permanent member of the faculty. As associate professor, Long directs the Main Street Law Clinic and teaches Lawyering Process and Trial Advocacy.

Marie E. Williams (’00) joined the litigation practice at Kutak Rock LLP. Williams is an appellate and class action lawyer with more than 16 years’ experience advocating for clients on appeal as well as defending clients in complex commercial litigation.

**2001**

The Honorable Anna Hobbs-Ulrich (’01) was appointed by Gov. John Hickenlooper as the county judge for Saginaw County, Colorado, effective November 1, 2016. Ulrich has operated her own law office since 2006 and has experience working at firms in Durango and Boulder and as the Chaffee County assistant attorney.

Sophia Tsai (’01) was promoted to shareholder at Baldwin Morgan & Rider, P.C. Her practice emphasizes insurance defense litigation and the defense of government entities and public officials.

At the opening event of Homecoming Weekend, David Wolf (’01) received the University of Colorado Alumni Association’s 2016 Kalpana Chawla Award, which recognizes outstanding career achievement and significant community contributions within 15 years of graduation from CU. Wolf is chief operating officer, chief investment officer, and managing principal of BSW Wealth Partners, a wealth advisory firm with offices in Boulder and Denver.

**2002**

Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP announced the appointment of Brian Boonstra (’02) to the firm’s 2017 executive committee, which provides leadership for the firm’s strategic and financial management. Boonstra is a partner in the firm’s finance and acquisitions department, whose practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, financings, and public securities offerings in a broad range of industries.

Mary Lanning (’02) was promoted to special counsel at Hall & Evans, LLC, where she focuses her practice on medical malpractice defense and health care law.

Megan O’Reilly (’02) was selected as a 2016–17 Robert Bosch Foundation Fellow, allowing her to further her work on America’s transition to renewable energy by working with German organizations to compare approaches and strategies to energy transition issues. O’Reilly is the principal and owner of Arc Research and Analysis, which assists organizations working to increase the use of renewable energy sources on the electricity grid.

**2003**

Gov. John Hickenlooper appointed Susan Blanco (’03) to fill a position on the 8th Judicial District Court, effective January 10, 2017. Previously, Blanco was a sole practitioner at Blanco Law Office in Fort Collins, where she focused her practice on criminal law, juvenile delinquency, and dependency and neglect cases. She concurrently served as the town prosecutor for Timnath, Colorado.

**2004**

Jonathan P. Fero (’04) joined the Denver law firm of Semple, Farrington & Everall, PC, as senior counsel. In this role, Fero represents school districts, municipalities, and business clients primarily in civil litigation at the trial and appellate levels.

C. Adam Foster (’04) made partner at the Hoban Law Group, a cannabis business law firm. Foster’s practice includes specialized expertise in advising cannabis entrepreneurs, including real estate transactions, purchase and sale of businesses, and advising closely held companies.

The Pennsylvania Defense Institute named Russell Giancola (’05) its Young Lawyer of the Year. The award honored the attorney for his professionalism, dedication to the practice of law, and service to the highest ideals of justice. Giancola is an associate in the health care and long-term care group at Burns White LLC, specializing in medical malpractice and other professional liability litigation in the health care industry.

The Colorado House of Representatives elected Crisanta Duran (’05) as speaker of the House on November 10, 2016. She is Colorado’s first Latina speaker.
Eric Gunning (’05) was promoted to general counsel and head of corporate affairs at Molson Coors International. Gunning joined the Molson Coors team in 2012.

Michelle L. Harden (’05) became an equity partner at Messner Reeves LLP. Harden has an active litigation and trial practice, appearing in state, federal, and administrative courts. Harden serves as outside counsel for several businesses, including a large publicly traded company overseeing litigation throughout the United States.

Sherman & Howard L.L.C. named Melissa Kerin Reagan (’05) as the firm’s associate coordinator, giving her the responsibility for developing and implementing training and mentoring programs for the firm’s associates and oversight of the annual associate evaluation and compensation review process. A member of the firm’s litigation, trials, and appeal department, Reagan focuses her practice on commercial litigation, securities regulation and compliance, data security, and privacy and insurance recovery.

2006
In September 2016, the Colorado District Attorney’s Council awarded Senior Deputy District Attorney John Kellner (’06) its highest honor, the Robert R. Gallagher Award, or “prosecutor of the year.” Kellner has been at the helm of the office’s first-ever cold case unit since 2013. Since then, he and his colleagues have won trial convictions in numerous cold cases.

Tueller & Gibbs, LLP welcomed David F. J. Dye (’06) as a partner. Dye focuses his practice in real estate and has experience in all aspects of commercial real estate ownership, development, and finance, with an emphasis on the acquisition and disposition of commercial properties and retail, restaurant, and office leasing.

Eric Lentell (’06) and his wife welcomed their first child, Lilly Glenn Lentell, on December 29, 2016. Lentell is associate general counsel, commercial & product at Fitbit in San Francisco.

Lisa Neal-Graves (’06) joined the Zayo Group as vice president of the Zayo Cloud business unit, where she is the leader and general manager responsible for growing this strategic product. Prior to Zayo Group, Neal-Graves held several executive leadership positions at Intel Corp., AT&T/Lucent, Chase Manhattan Bank, and Unisys Corp.

2007
Recht Kornfeld P.C. announced the addition of Marnie Adams (’07) as an associate. Adams focuses her practice on criminal defense representing individuals in state, municipal, and federal court.

Joan Allgaier (’07) was promoted to special counsel at Hall & Evans, LLC. A member of the firm’s medical malpractice group, she also has experience with automobile liability, aviation matters, recreation liability, product liability, professional liability, commercial matters, and construction defect.

Sarah Clark (’07) was promoted to shareholder at Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP. Clark is a member of the firm’s government relations department and draws on her experience as a litigator, local elected official, and political appointee.

Real estate attorney Jack L. Mankamyer (’07) was promoted to shareholder at Polsinelli PC. Mankamyer’s experience includes the representation of real estate developers, purchasers, sellers, investors, and lenders in various complex commercial real estate transactions.

J.P. Martin (’07) was appointed by Gov. John Hickenlooper to serve as a county court judge for the 20th Judicial District (Boulder County). He presides over a mixed docket of civil, criminal, and traffic matters. Martin served as a prosecutor with the Boulder District Attorney’s Office since 2011.

Commercial litigator Richard Murray (’07) was elected shareholder at Polsinelli PC. Murray concentrates his practice on commercial and business disputes and health care litigation. Murray serves on the Colorado Law Alumni Board.

2008
The city of Aspen tapped Andrea Bryan (’08) to be its new assistant city attorney. In this role, she advises city council and city departments, boards, and commissions, and prosecutes municipal-code violations, handling a caseload in state and federal courts.

Karam J. Saab (’08) was elevated to partner at Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP. A member of the firm’s electronics and software team, Saab focuses his practice on patent law, including foreign and domestic patent prosecution and portfolio management.

2009
Candace Hodge (’09) began a new job as associate general counsel at the Massachusetts State Retirement Board. Hodge focuses on public pension law and provides legal advice that may influence retirement benefits of state employees. She also represents the board in front of administrative law agencies.
2009 cont.
The Honorable Ashley Burgemeister (’09) and Kendall Burgemeister (’09) welcomed their son, Amery Augustus, in May. Ashley was recently appointed by Gov. John Hickenlooper to serve as a county court judge in the 7th Judicial District. Kendall is a partner at Law of the Rockies, where he practices primarily real estate, water, and local government law.

Gov. John Hickenlooper appointed Kimberly Cortez-Rodriguez (’09) to serve as the Conejos County judge, effective January 10, 2017. Cortez-Rodriguez previously worked as the self-represented litigant coordinator for the 12th Judicial District. Before that she was an attorney for the Alamosa firm of Lester, Sigmond, Rooney & Schwiesow.

Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP promoted Emily Holmes (’09) to shareholder. A member of the firm’s intellectual property department, Holmes helps clients develop, protect, and enforce their intellectual property rights in the United States and internationally.

Amy L. Kramer (’09), an associate at Greenberg Traurig, LLP, was recognized as a 2016 “On the Rise—Top 40 Young Lawyers” by the American Bar Association’s Young Lawyers Division. Kramer focuses her practice on litigation with a specific emphasis on intellectual property disputes relating to patents, trademarks, and copyrights. The annual award provides national recognition for 40 exceptional ABA young lawyer members who exemplify “high achievement, innovation, vision, leadership, and legal and community service.”

Vivian Vassall (’09) joined Amazon’s HR department at its corporate headquarters in Seattle, Washington. She is a specialist focusing on background check operations and compliance. She was previously at The Boeing Company.

2010
Risa Borowick Brown (’10) and her husband, Tucker, welcomed their son Miles Forrest Brown on November 4, 2016. Miles is growing fast, and Rory loves his new big brother role. Brown is a litigation associate in the Denver office of Fox Rothschild LLP.

Trina Ruhland (’10) began a new job as a senior assistant county attorney at the Boulder County Attorney’s Office. In this role, she handles county litigation matters, zoning enforcement, and land use, and represents the sheriff’s office.

Dill Dill Carr Stonbraker & Hutchings, P.C. announced the addition of attorney Brandon Sandberg (’10). Sandberg is a former deputy district attorney with the 17th Judicial District Attorney’s Office, where he tried more than 30 trials to verdict. His practice concentrates on complex civil litigation, general business, criminal law, DUI, and traffic violations.

2011
Elise M. Aiken (’11) joined the firm Allen & Curry, PC, as an associate attorney. She focuses her practice on construction, general casualty defense, and commercial litigation.

Robert Barlow (’11), deputy district attorney at the Denver District Attorney’s Office, set a record for reaching the summits of 58 14,000-foot high-points and 47 peaks over 13,800 feet without the use of a car. Between July 2016 and September 2016, he climbed and biked 105 of Colorado’s highest points, totaling more than 2,100 miles.

Andrew Bechet (’11) joined the Denver office of Messner Reeves LLP as a tax and corporate associate. Bechet works with individuals and corporations to reduce their tax burdens in a variety of contexts, including estate planning, charitable planning, mergers and acquisitions, and business liquidations.

Taylor Perodeau Bechet (’11) joined the Denver office of Baker & Hostetler LLP as a private wealth planning associate. In this role, Bechet performs estate and tax planning for high-net-worth individuals, in addition to estate administration, charitable planning, and tax controversy work.

Sheridan Ross P.C. announced the addition of Caroline Bryce (’11) as an associate in the trademark practice group of its Denver office. Bryce’s practice focuses on trademark and copyright portfolio development and management.

On August 19, 2016, Kara Chrobak (’11) married Jason Chrobak in Telluride, Colorado. Kara recently became an associate in the family law practice group of Sherman & Howard L.L.C., where she uses her experience as a former commercial litigator to assist clients in the areas of divorce, child custody and visitation, adoption, alimony, and other forms of support.

On July 1, 2016, Sean Hansen (’11) and Jamie Jackson Hansen (’13) were married. Jamie recently became an associate in the Denver office of Holland & Knight LLP, where she focuses her practice on energy and infrastructure project development, corporate transactions, and securities law matters. Sean is a training leader for North America at Orica.

2012
Elizabeth Bonanno (’12) and Kenneth Bradtke (’13) were married at the Boulder Adventure Lodge in Boulder, Colorado, on October 1, 2016. Bonanno was recently named a shareholder at Gutterman Griffiths PC in Denver. Her practice focuses on asset and business valuation, income valuation, complex divorce, parental responsibilities, child relocation, and child support matters. Bradtke is an operations manager and legal specialist with Atlas Tower Co. in Boulder.

Andrew Garnett (’12) and Megan Rose Garnett (’14) were married on July 23, 2016, in Denver, Colorado. The couple met at Colorado Law five years ago. Andrew joined Taylor & Anderson, LLP as an associate in July 2016. Megan is a litigation associate for Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP. Both work in Denver where they live with their one-year-old English bulldog named Juan Pablo.

Ashlee Jones (’12) and Jun Arcilla (’13) were married October 28, 2016, in Wilson, Wyoming. Angela is an associate at Cooley LLP whose practice focuses on patent infringement litigation matters. David is a corporate attorney at AMG National Trust Bank.

2013
Mark Aldrich (’13) began a new job as assistant general counsel for the U.S. Department of the Navy. Based in the Seattle area, Aldrich represents the department in employment and labor law matters. He also handles a wide range of cases before the EEOC, Merit Systems Protection Board, and Federal Labor Relations Authority.

Morrison & Foerster LLP welcomed Kevin M. Brown (’13) as an associate in its litigation department, whose practice encompasses a wide range of complex matters. Before joining the firm, Brown was a major in the U.S. Marine Corps, where he served as both a judge advocate and a naval aviator.

Katharine C. Downey (’13), a litigator with the Sutin, Thayer & Browne law firm in New Mexico, has earned her AV rating from Martindale-Hubbell. The peer-review rating is one of the legal profession’s most prestigious honors, reflecting high regard from the legal community for her strong legal skills and impeccable ethics. Downey has been with Sutin, Thayer & Browne since 2013 and practices primarily in employment law, bankruptcy, creditor rights, and education law.

Julia Guarino (’13) joined the natural resources unit at the Navajo Nation Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General. She serves the Navajo Nation Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Navajo Nation Historic Preservation Department by assisting with issues including wildlife management, repatriating cultural objects and human remains, and interpreting Navajo and federal law.
Johnson Law Group, LLC is pleased to announce that the Sam Cary Bar Association has awarded Myles S. Johnson (’13) the 2016 Billy Lewis Young Lawyer Award. Johnson was honored with this award at the Sam Cary Bar Association Scholarship Endowment Fund Gala on November 5, 2016. Johnson’s practice focuses on family law matters, including divorce, separation, child custody, and child support.

Anne Lee (’13), an associate in WilmerHale’s Denver office, was elected to the board of directors of the Colorado Intellectual Property American Inn of Court, a Colorado-based association of legal professionals. Lee practices in WilmerHale’s litigation and controversy department and focuses on intellectual property issues.

Davis Graham & Stubbs LLP announced that Richard F. Lee (’13) joined its trial department as an associate. Lee’s practice focuses primarily on labor and employment law.

In November 2016, Amy Ostdiek (’13) joined the Colorado Attorney General’s Office as an assistant attorney general in the Federal & Interstate Water Unit within the Natural Resources & Environment Section. Her practice focuses on federal and interstate water compacts, particularly the Colorado River Compact.

Santa Clara County Deputy District Attorney Teresa Souto (’13) helped design an innovative alternative-justice program to strengthen understanding between law enforcement and community members. Inspired by the local chapter of the NAACP, the program is believed to be the only one of its kind in the country.

On September 10, 2016, Jessica Mendoza Stadmeyer (’13) and Christopher Stadmeyer were married at Chautauqua Park in Boulder. Mendoza Stadmeyer is an associate attorney at the Bagley Law Firm, LLC in Longmont, where her practice focuses primarily on family law.

2014
In July 2016, John Delva (’14) and Jennifer Whalen were married at the top of Vail Mountain. Delva is a programming attorney at DISH Network.

Mike Eitner (’14) joined Hall & Evans, LLC as an associate attorney in the firm’s workers’ compensation practice group.

Maggie D. MacDonald (’14) joined Holland & Knight LLP as an associate. She focuses her practice on litigation and dispute resolutions.

2015
Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP associate Robert Steinhoff (’15) has been appointed to the board of directors of Project Sanctuary, a therapeutic program that focuses on the needs and challenges military families face. Steinhoff will aid the organization in developing cause awareness, particularly with foundations and potential donors, and assist with fundraising event planning.

Let Us Celebrate You!
We are proud of our alumni and want to hear about your personal and professional achievements and other important milestones. To appear in Class Actions, please submit your news to lawalum@colorado.edu.
If your contact information or communication preferences have changed, you can update them at colorado.edu/law/reconnect.
I have been asked to follow up on Dean Edward C. King’s article (see page 10) on the early history of Colorado Law and provide my unique perspective. For those of you who do not know me, the perspective referenced was growing up in Boulder, Colorado, with a law professor father (former Dean Don W. Sears) whose career at Colorado Law spanned half a century (1950 to 2000). Allow me to take you back to the 1950s and early 1960s and admire the law students and faculty from that bygone era.

In the early years of Dad’s tenure, the faculty was small (in the single digits), as was the student body. As a result, the students were a very tight-knit group who got through law school collectively, not unlike the many soldiers we have all known who went off to war (and made it back) together. Likewise, the faculty members were universally proud of every one of “their” students, whom they all knew quite well. With the low student-to-faculty ratio, no student could escape taking at least one class from each professor.

Because I was a young child and early teen during that time period, most of my knowledge is secondhand and through hindsight. The first real memory I have was near the time when Dean King’s article left off. I recall attending a “faculty meeting” (the faculty would routinely go to a different faculty member’s house each month for a collective dinner) in my parents’ kitchen and watching Dean King throw card after card into a hat that he placed next to me. I said to myself, “I want to grow up and be like this guy!” The fact that he was a chess master and tennis champion didn’t hurt him as a role model, either.

In 2003, I accompanied my father to the 50-year reunion of the Class of 1953. Dad and Homer Clark were the only surviving members of the faculty from that year. It was clear how close the attendees were, and I was struck by how much they had kept in touch over the past 50 years. Not surprisingly, many of them had been involved in legal matters together and had referred clients to each other. The power of the class, as a whole, was obvious.

Dad always said, “Go to the best law school that you can get into within the region of the country where you want to live.” In the Rocky Mountain region, that would be Colorado Law. Although this comment was made before the days of national and international law firms, it still rings true today. The combined strengths of the “classmate soldiers” are everlasting.

I graduated from Colorado Law in 1975, and the collective pride that we all have in each other’s accomplishments and successes is universal, not unlike the Class of 1953.

Because more recent law graduates are more geographically diffuse and tend to move from law firm to law firm like NFL free agents, I can’t help but think that the collective strength of their classes is even more needed and nourishing.

Let’s go back to that reunion of the Class of 1953. I was amazed by how much the attendees remembered about the faculty. Every member had his own Professor Frederic “Pappy” Storke (1917) story. They howled when I told them my story: that Professor Storke exiled me from his house FOREVER because, at age nine, I ate most of the cherries off of his prized cherry tree.

If the other members of the faculty had been present at the reunion, they would have equally reciprocated their warmth toward their former students. This is my second point: Having been around Colorado Law professors my entire life, I can’t tell you how important “their” students are to them and how proud they are when you are successful and, especially, when you keep in touch with them. For my father, this was particularly true of the minority/diverse students. At any point in time, he could tell you where just about every minority graduate of “his” was working, in what area of the law they were practicing, and how they were getting along.

Similarly, the dedication the professors have for each other is more robust than most students realize. It is not unlike those long-term law partnerships that we all have known and of whom we are all profoundly jealous.

The lessons are obvious. We are much stronger together than alone. By staying involved with the law school, our classmates, and our law school faculty members, we will all benefit and continue to pass along similar lessons, like those from the Class of 1953!
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