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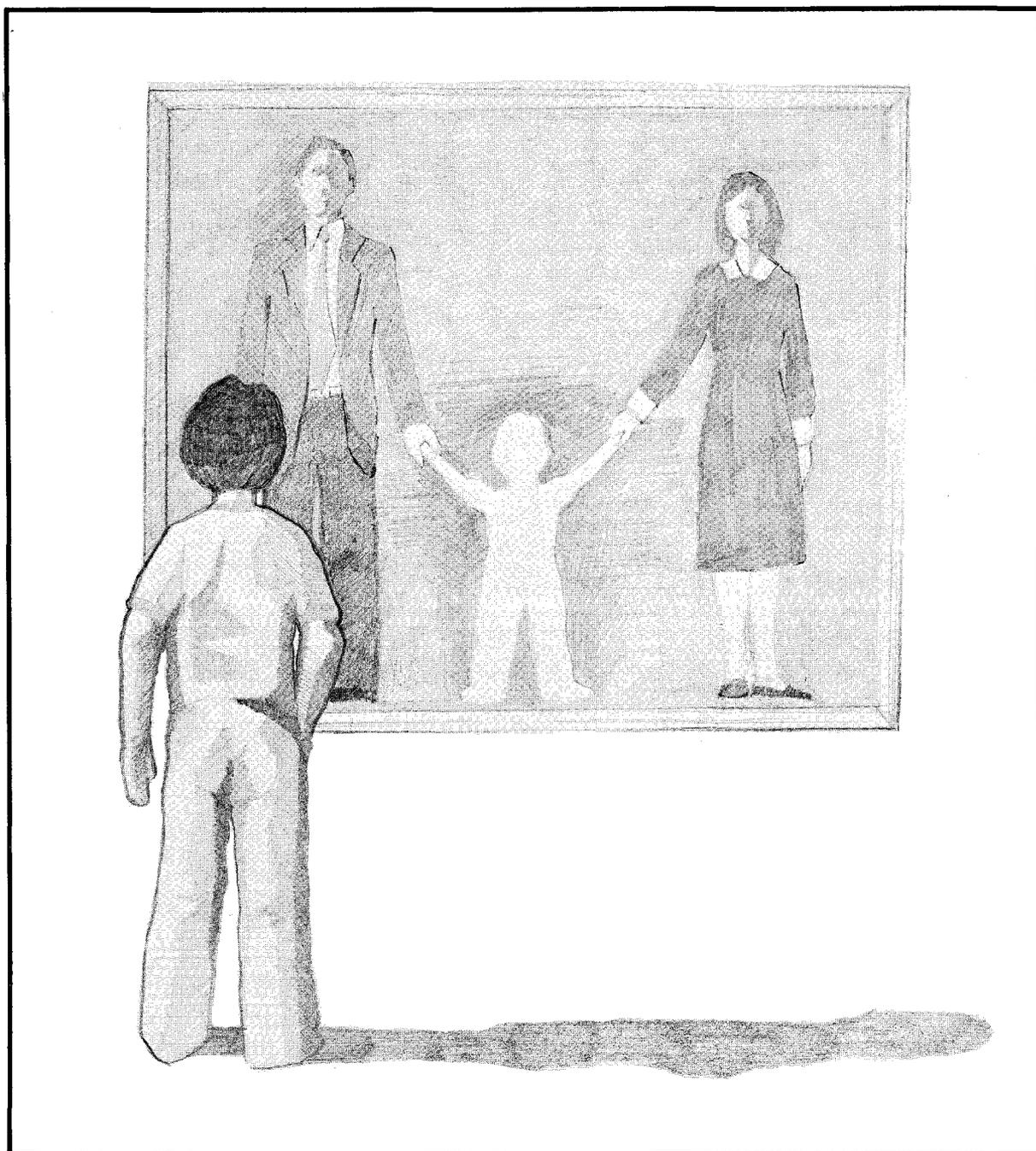
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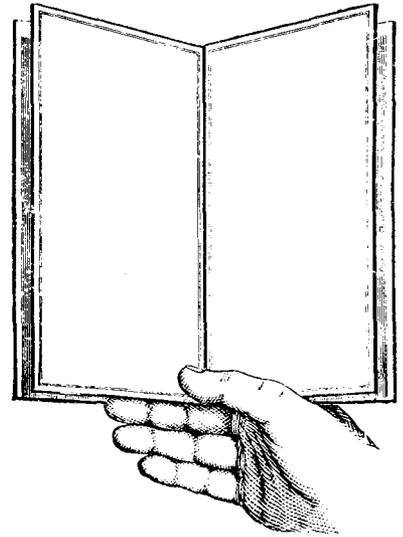


FROM THE EDITORIAL BOARD

By common law and statute there are certain relationships which the judiciary and legislature have deemed privileged. Some jurisdictions have considered with approval the concept of the child-parent testimonial privilege. Christopher Luhn's article examines the application of the testimonial privileges at common law and proposes a statutory alternative to a judicially-created child-parent privilege.

The legal implications of advances in reproductive technology are far-reaching and the courts are certain to become involved. In her article, Renee Menasche questions the viability of surrogate mothering programs and recommends legislation that would protect the interests of all parties involved by regulating the process.

The controversial doctrine of comparable worth is analyzed by Claire Treanor in "Sex-Based Discrimination and the Comparable Worth Doctrine." "A Primer On Recovering Attorney's Fees," by James MacAlister, focuses on circumstances in which attorneys may recover fees as a result of recent changes in the Maryland Rules.



From The University Master Of Science In Judicial Administration

Until only a few decades ago, the courts were the only major societal institution which did not have professional personnel specifically trained to manage its processes. A considerable increase in civil and criminal litigation hampered the efficient functioning of the courts and pointed out the need for organization and management. The courts are one of the most complex institutions in society, yet modern management skills, research, and technology commonly used in other areas of public administration are just starting to be introduced into the courts.

For more than a decade, Chief Justice Burger has called for the training of judicial administrators. According to the Chief Justice, professionally trained court managers will help the court system in a variety of ways. They coordinate case flow through the courts, assist in management of the calendar, in jury selection, planning and research, budget drafting, statistical and data operations, personnel management and other business of the court. They assist judges in distributing caseloads and recommend improvements to balance workloads. With the use of computer technology, the judicial administrator establishes and maintains an information system for the court. Judicial administrators analyze the court system's overall operating costs in order to prepare, present and justify the budget, and they oversee other fiscal areas such as cost control and payroll management. They may also meet with judges, judicial councils, bar

associations, news reporters and community leaders to give and receive information. Judicial administration positions exist at all levels of the court systems, trial and appellate, and duties vary significantly depending on the type and size of the court served and the organizational structure of the court system.

In 1984, the University of Baltimore began offering a Master of Science degree in the field of judicial administration. The M.S. in Judicial Administration (MSJA) is a multi-disciplinary program which calls upon the faculty from the departments of Public Administration, Criminal Justice, and Legal Studies as well as the School of Law. The MSJA is a professional degree program designed to provide educational preparation for persons entering or seeking careers in Judicial Administration and educational enhancement for those already occupying judicial administration positions. To accomplish this objective, a course of study has been developed to increase the student's awareness of the principles and practices of management and administration in the courts and related agencies, to enhance the student's knowledge of the nature and functions of the legal process, and to improve the student's understanding of the analytical and managerial skills required for Judicial Administration. The program is structured in such a manner as to prepare students for administrative positions in federal, state or local court systems and court oriented research organizations, such as

the National Center for State Courts and the American Judicature Society.

Beginning in the Fall Semester of 1985, Ms. Joy A. Chapper will join the faculty of the Department of Government and Public Administration (within which the MSJA program is housed) as a full-time professor in Judicial Administration. According to Dr. Larry Thomas, Chairman of the Department of Government and Public Administration, Ms. Chapper is extraordinarily well qualified for the position. After receiving her J.D. degree from Georgetown University in 1972, she has served as a law clerk, lawyer and researcher. During the past several years, Professor Chapper has also served as Staff Director of the American Bar Association's Action Commission to Reduce Court Costs and Delay. As Staff Director, she was responsible for planning and directed in-court tests and evaluations of innovative court procedures designed to reduce litigation time and expense. Major topics included telephone conferencing to conduct court business, case management and simplified procedures in trial courts, and expedited appeals.

Professor Chapper's publications include numerous monographs and reports as well as articles in journals such as *Maryland Law Review*, *University of Michigan Journal of Law Reform*, *Justice System Journal*, *The Judges' Journal*, *State Court Journal*, and *Trail*. Professor Chapper is presently the associate editor of the *Justice System Journal*.

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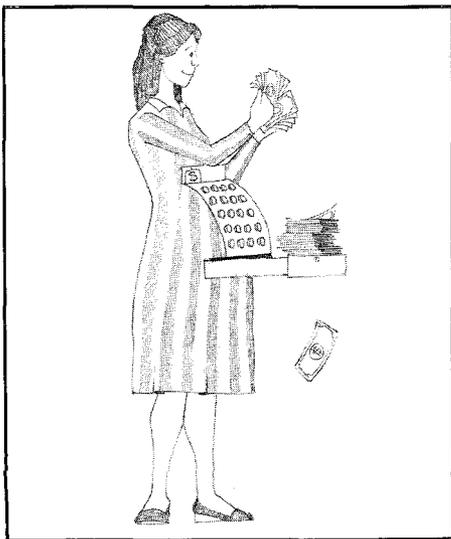
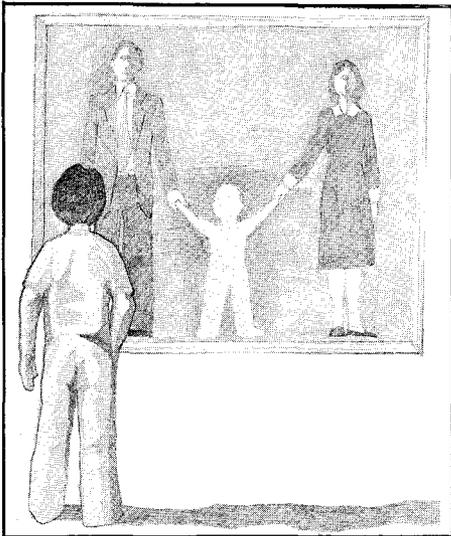
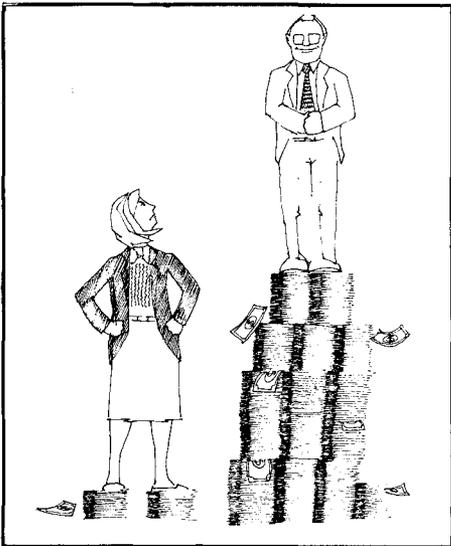
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FROM THE LAW SCHOOL

FROM THE DEAN

This past year has been a busy one at the law school. The highlight of the year was the visitation of an inspection team from the American Bar Association. This was part of the regular process of the ABA to visit accredited schools periodically. We have received the report of the inspection team and now await the review of the accrediting committee. The report is quite favorable though it does urge continued progress in the development of financial support for the school's programs.

Four faculty members leave at the year's end. Professors Sam Cooper and Eugene Davidson will be retiring and Professors Richard Hardy and Natalie Rees will be entering private practice in Baltimore. We wish them all well.

Professor Cooper joined the faculty in 1972 and has taught contracts, mortgages and suretyship, legal accounting and corporate taxation. He previously chaired and taught in two departments of the School of Business, Accounting and Finance.

Professor Davidson came to the University of Baltimore in 1971 after 18 years with the Small Business Administration where he was Assistant General Counsel and Chief Counsel for Advocacy. He has taught a wide variety of courses including: antitrust, conflict of laws, government contracts, legal methods, professional responsibility, and legal skills. In addition, he has played a crucial role in the development of the Law Review, having served as faculty advisor since 1972.

As might be expected, because of the loss of four full-time faculty, our Faculty Appointments Committee has been very busy. I am happy to report to you that we have recruited four new faculty members for the coming year. Each was the first choice for the available position.

Assistant Professor Michael Meyerson joins the faculty after serving three years as an instructor of communications law, consumer credit protection, and legal research and writing at Brooklyn Law School. He also served as an adjunct assistant professor at New York Law School teaching media and the law. His professional experience includes two years as a consumers affairs

attorney for the New York State Consumer Protection Board. Mr. Meyerson has published articles on Communication Law and the First Amendment, which appeared in the Stanford Journal of International Law, Georgia Law Review and New York Law Review. He will be teaching courses in Contracts and Communications Law.

Assistant Professor Walter Schwidetzky has been a partner in a Denver law firm whose practice centers on tax and business issues. He has also served as an adjunct professor at the University of Denver College of Law, and has written articles for the Denver Journal of International Law and Policy and the Colorado Lawyer. Mr. Schwidetzky will be teaching partnership and corporate taxation.

Associate Professor Stephen Shapiro joins the faculty after six years of full-time teaching at Ohio Northern University Law School. Prior to that he served as counsel to the Ohio Ethics Commission. He has published a number of law review articles in the area of civil rights, federal jurisdiction and procedure, and governmental ethics. At the University of Baltimore he will be teaching civil procedure, federal jurisdiction and evidence.

Perry E. Wallace, Jr., joins the faculty as an Assistant Professor of Law. For the past five years, he has served as a trial attorney at the United States Department of Justice. His experience also includes three years as an adjunct instructor in law at the National Law Center, George Washington University, and two years as a legislative analyst in the Office of the Mayor of the District of Columbia. He has also been a member of the adjunct faculty at the Antioch School of Law and the American University Center for the Administration of Justice. While attending Columbia University, Mr. Wallace was awarded the Charles Evans Hughes Fellowship. He will be teaching courses in agency and partnership and corporations.

We look forward to working with these four new members of the faculty. We believe that they will become an important feature in the continuing development of the Law School.

Sincerely,

Laurence M. Katz
Dean



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