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Ten years ago our full-time faculty was 13; five years ago it was 22. Today it is 34. While it is true that I might be slightly prejudiced, I believe—in fact I know—it is a highly dedicated and qualified group, composed of a wide variety of talented individuals of all ages who come from varied backgrounds. Our faculty has always prided itself in giving priority to classroom teaching. It continues to do so. At the same time scholarly endeavors and community service are important. In the final analysis such activity is not only beneficial to the faculty involved and the legal community generally, but also makes the faculty more credible to our students and more effective in the classroom.

Each year our faculty reports on this phase of their work. In the belief that you, our alumni, would be interested in learning about this rich variety of activity, we have summarized the last year’s work.

Laurence M. Katz
Dean

Professor Herbert Bernhardt—Mr. Bernhardt organized and chaired the “Labor Law in Public Employment Seminar” which was presented to many of the area’s prominent labor law attorneys. He has also completed an article entitled “Subcontracting During the Term of the Contract: A Clash Between NLRB and Arbitral Principles” which appeared in the March 1982 issue of Arbitration Journal.

Associate Professor Richard Bourne—Mr. Bourne has completed for publication a paper dealing with the Federal Common Law and its application to the case of Erie v. Tompkins.

Assistant Professor Barbara Britzke—Ms. Britzke served as a consultant for one of the nation’s largest law firms, Baker & McKenzie of Chicago, Illinois, where she instructed Associates and Summer Associates in proper client interviewing, negotiating, and counseling techniques. Professor Britzke was also a Visiting Professor for the National Institute of Trial Advocacy at the Federal Trade Commission.

Professor Minor B. Crager—Mr. Crager is a member of the Board of Review for the Patuxent Institution in Jessup. The seven-person Board is the paroling authority of the institution.

Professor Eugene Davidson—Mr. Davidson is the Reporter for the Maryland Pattern Jury Instruction—Civil. His 1981 Supplement was published by Lawyer’s Cooperative Publishing Company this past October. He was also a member of the Maryland State Bar Association’s Committee which studied the viability of Pre-Paid Legal Services.

Associate Professor Steven Davison—Since 1974 Mr. Davison has served as Reporter of the Governor’s Landlord Tenant Law Study Commission and has recently acted as a Hearing Examiner for the Maryland Attorney General’s Consumer Protection Division. His article entitled “The Uncertain Search for a Design Defect Standard” was published in the Spring 1981, American University Law Review. In December, in conjunction with Bernard Cohen, he completed the annual update of the Supplement to Environmental Rights and Remedies published by Lawyers Cooperative Publishing Company.

Professor William Fryer—In 1981 Mr. Fryer was selected to chair the ABA’s Patent Trademark and Copyright Committee 309 and also became a member of the American Patent Law Committee on Anti-Trust. He published an article dealing with new United States Patent Law Developments in the European Intellectual Property Review and delivered a paper on the same subject at a United Nations meeting in Geneva, Switzerland. Professor Fryer has spoken to local utility firms on recent Antitrust Law Developments.

Associate Professor Michele Gilligan—Ms. Gilligan participated in the first of a series of “Law for Layman” Programs initiated by the Law School in 1981 when she instructed on the various rights and obligations of landlords and tenants.

Assistant Professor Frank Giorno—Mr. Giorno recently completed an article on the Evidentiary Aspects of Criminal Sentencing to be published in the Loyola University Law Review this spring. He is also the co-author of the Maryland Supplement on Domestic Relations, 5th ed. (1981-82).

Professor Robin Goodenough—Professor Goodenough addressed the Maryland State Society of Psychiatrists.

Emily Greenberg, Law Librarian—In 1981 Ms. Greenberg was elected to the Executive Board of the Law Librarians Society of Washington.

Assistant Professor Steven Grossman—Mr. Grossman has completed an article on due process which is scheduled for publication in Vol. X, No. 2, University of Baltimore Law Review. In addition he was legal advisor on a grant issues to the Johns Hopkins University which deals with eyewitness identification.

Dean Laurence M. Katz—Mr. Katz served as Chairman of both the Section on Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar and the Bar Admissions Committee of the Court of Appeals. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Institute for Continuing Professional
Education of Lawyers for which he chairs the Evaluation Committee and the Nominating Committee. This past year he addressed the Wrangler Law Club on the “Attorney’s Roles in Estate Administration” and was a panelist for the National College of District Attorneys CLE Development Program.

Associate Professor Kenneth Lasson—

He recently published an article in the American Criminal Law Review and is the recipient of a grant from the Swedish Government to compare civil liberties in Sweden with those in the U.S.

Associate Professor Lynn McLain—

Ms. McLain recently completed an article dealing with EEOC Guidelines on Sexual Harrassment which will be published in Vol. XI, No. 1 of the University of Baltimore Law Review. In addition, she serves as the Reporter on Evidence for the Maryland Trial Judge’s Bench Book.

Assistant Professor Barbara Mello—

She recently conducted a training program on Criminal Trial Procedure for Baltimore County Police Cadets and is currently working on a Textbook on Federal Criminal Law.

Assistant Professor Anne Pecora—

Ms. Pecora is the Secretary of the Board of Directors to the Maryland Advocacy Unit for the Development of Disabled and has written an article relating to spousal consent in mentally disabled adult cases, which is to be published in the March, 1982 Maryland Medical Journal.

Associate Professor Alfred Porro—

Mr. Porro’s latest publications include a scholarly article “Tiered Government: Insights in Regionalization” to appear in the Seton Hall Law School Legislative Journal and two books: Local Government Law (Callaghan) as a contributing author and the sole author of Expert Witnesses: Crossroads of Law, Science & Technology (Executive). Assistant Professor Dean Walter Rafalko—

Dean Rafalko has been a member of the Governor’s Commission to revise the Maryland Annotated Code since 1975. This past spring he was a member of the ABA’s Visitation Team which inspected George Mason University School of Law and is currently writing a law review article dealing with the defendant’s rights.

Professor Charles Rees—

This past fall Mr. Rees published an article entitled “State Constitutional Law for Maryland Lawyers: Judicial Relief for Violations of Rights” in Vol. 10, No. 2 of the University of Baltimore Law Review. In addition, he helped plan the first annual Law & Higher Education Symposium held at the University in April, 1981.

Assistant Professor Natalie Rees—

During this past year Ms. Rees was elected Vice President of the Women’s Bar Association of Maryland and served as Chairman of the City Bar’s sub-committee on Juvenile Law. In 1981 she was appointed to the Mayor’s Task Force on Child Abuse and Neglect as well as receiving a Gubernatorial appointment to the Governor’s Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice. Professor Rees also completed the 1981 Revision of the Maryland Trial Judges’ Benchbook, Juvenile Causes Chapter.

Assistant Professor Arnold Rochbarg—

Professor Rochbarg serves on the Board of Directors of the Maryland Judicial Institute. This past year he also acted as Chairman for the State Bar Association’s Federal and Administrative Law Committee. In 1981 he published two articles dealing with Corporate Law, one for the University of Baltimore Law Review and one which was published by the American University Law Review.

Assistant Professor Mark Sargent—

In 1981 Mr. Sargent became a member of the State Bar Association’s Securities Law Subcommittee. He is currently working with the Maryland Division of Securities and the State Bar Association on a rule-making project under the Maryland Securities Act. He published an article on the validity of state takeover regulation in the Ohio State Law Journal, and has had accepted for publication an article on research techniques in securities regulation, which was co-authored by Emily R. Greenberg. In July he addressed the corporate Department of the Boston law firm of Csaplar & Bok on the topic of the proposed Federal Securities Code.

Assistant Professor Charles Shafer—

Professor Shafer acts as a hearing officer for the Maryland Department of Consumer Protection. In August, 1981 he delivered a paper to the American Forensics Association and Speech Communication Association entitled “Think Like a Lawyer—Reasonable Law School Admonition?” This past fall he completed a year long evaluation of the State’s Tax Refund Intercept Program under a grant from the Maryland Department of Human Resources.

Professor Charles Waldron—

Professor Waldron is active as a hearing officer for the Maryland State Consumer Protection Agency.

Associate Professor Howard Wallin—

At the recent Mid-Winter Meeting of the Maryland State Bar Association Mr. Wallin was a participant in the panel discussion which dealt with legal malpractice. For the past several years Professor Wallin has served as the Executive Secretary of the Maryland Judicial Disabilities Commission. He also recently published an article in the Maryland Bar Journal on the canons and rules of Judicial Ethics.

Associate Professor William I. Weston—

Mr. Weston recently became Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Ethics for the ABA’s Family Law Section. In September 1981 he published an article dealing with drafting antenuptial agreements for the Elderly.

Assistant Professor Byron Warnken—

In addition to acting as the Reporter for the Maryland Criminal Pattern Jury Instructor, Mr. Warnken recently completed a text on Basic Legal Skills. His substantive text and handbook on Criminal Law will be published in the summer of this year.