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SBA Offers Students a Chance to Vote on Future Relations with Embattled Benefactor

Drew Clark, 3D

On November 5, the SBA, by a tally of 10 to 18, with two abstentions, voted not to act on a resolution brought by Brett Nemeth (3D), calling for the resignation or removal of Robert E. Brennan from the Seton Hall Board of Regents. After amending the language of the resolution, the SBA voted 10 to 17, with four abstentions to still not adopt the resolution. Joe Kavesh, (3D) then motioned for the SBA to have a 'non-binding' student referendum on the issue, which did manage to pass by a 15 to 12 vote in favor, with three abstentions.

As such, it was left to the students to act on an issue that has recently landed Seton Hall, with its long and extensive ties to Brennan, in the newspaper more times than can be counted on two hands. And on November 20, 21, and 22, the student body had the opportunity to make its opinion known, en masse, as to whether the association with Brennan, recently found liable for civil fraud and stock manipulation to the tune of \$75 million in fines and prejudgment interest, should continue any longer.

The University Board of Regents has already spoken. In a decision concurred on by both the Chancellor and Dean Ronald Riccio, the Board

decided to reserve action until the disposition of the appeal of the district court decision which represents the culmination of 10 years of litigating over the nature of Brennan's stock dealings

through his company, First Jersey Securities, and other broker-dealers to which he has ties.

The faculty at the South Orange Campus, however, took a different tack and called for the voluntary withdrawal of Brennan or, in the alternative, his outright removal until his current legal peccadilloes, are resolved. In addition to the judgment in favor of the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) a state action against Brennan for \$150 million dollars due to the activities engaged in by F.N. Wolf & Co., Hibbard Brown Co., and L.C.

Wegard & Co., which have significant financial and personal ties to Brennan, was unsealed on September 28. The allegations contained in the state claim include issues over the legality of the use of Dehere Foundation assets, which also funds the Clinic to Combat Handgun Violence here at SHLS, to make 13 loans to L.C. Wegard, totaling some \$10.25 million dollars.

As for why Nemeth brought the resolution to a vote now, he said, "I didn't bring it up for a month, I

wanted to give Brennan the time to do the honorable thing, to resign or take a leave of absence."

After the resolution was brought up, a contentious debate ensued, to which SBA President Frank DeAngelis put an end on the grounds that there was no party present to adequately represent Brennan's position in the litigation. According to Nemeth, the debate did not concentrate on the substance of the matter, [the judgment and the pending litigation] "the 45 minute debate focused on the embarrassment potential for Dean Riccio," he said. A consideration that neither he, nor Dean Riccio found particularly appropriate for the elected student body representatives.

Dean Riccio said, "It is never embarrassing to me when the students voice their opinion in a responsible way. Which our students always do. My relationship with Mr. Brennan should be irrelevant to the student's consideration of what they think is best for the law school and the university."

DeAngelis agreed that the Dean's personal and professional relationship were separate issues and not properly part of the debate on the resolution. "I think the whole relationship with the Dean and Brennan is separate from whether he [Brennan] should be on the Board of Regents." As for concern over offending the Dean, DeAngelis said, "The only reason that got brought up was that because the original resolution appeared to be a blatant attack on the Dean and not Robert Brennan."

Kavesh said, "One thing I've stressed all along is no linkage. The Dean and Brennan are two separate and distinct subjects." As for why he brought up the student vote as opposed to voting for either of the resolutions, Kavesh said, "I didn't feel comfortable with the language in his [Nemeth's] resolution and didn't feel informed enough about all the particulars of Brennan's legal



Robert E. Brennan

Message From the SBA Executive Board:

The SBA is working hard to serve the community. The ABA sponsored "Work A Day," and the SBA's annual Dance Marathon will be held in January and February respectively.

The SBA in conjunction with the Essex County Bar Association will be participating in the American Bar Association's "Work A Day" Program. This event allows students and attorneys to serve the children of our community.

This year the SBA Dance Marathon will be held on February 23, & 24 to benefit the LINK School. Link Community School is a private Junior High School that seeks to provide quality education to students in Newark. Link encourages creative and innovative educational ventures that place a strong emphasis on basic skills. The SBA is confident that these events will be a success. The students of Seton Hall Law School have always been generous in helping the community.

In closing, on behalf of the SBA, the Executive Board would like to wish the students a happy and safe holiday season. We look forward to seeing everyone in January for the start of the Spring Semester. ♪

Federal Government Shuts Down Res Ipsa To Follow??

Apparently, when the powers that be admitted the current third-year class back in 1993, they deemed it essential to put all the journalism majors in the same section. And since then, they have refused admission to anyone with any writing talent whatsoever.

Of course, this isn't true, yet *Res Ipsa* is currently functioning almost exclusively on creative powers supplied by former members of the now world-famous Section D of 1993, while receiving limited contributions from anyone else. Most notable is the lack of contributions from first and second-year students.

While this has resulted in a markedly superior product for the moment, it portends future disaster for *Res Ipsa* when our current staff members get real jobs next year or at least are forced to leave the friendly confines of Seton Hall Law because of graduation.

Thus, *Res Ipsa* renews its plea, in writing, for regular contributions from writers, columnists, cartoonists and general wise-guys, or simply a letter to the editor if the mood strikes you. (For those who respond to less complex forms of stimulation, see ads that read "Write for Res Ipsa").

First and second-year students are especially encouraged to get involved to ensure the future success of this standout, award-winning publication and to avoid our having to publish the Unabomber Manifesto in eight installments.

In addition to enjoying the opportunity to display your creative talents or to just sound off for the entire school, you will be allowed access to the Journal area, thereby allowing you to hob-nob daily with the best and the brightest exam takers of our school.

Remember, Freedom of the Press belongs to those who have access to the Press. We are offering you that access.

Please contact esteemed Co-Editors-In-Chief Dawn Marie Mims (mimsdawn) or Jim Johnston (johnstja) or call 201-642-8201, either sometime before exams or when we return for second semester. Thanks, Wink Martindale, 3D. ♪



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Whitman Nominates More SHLS Alums To The Bench

Governor Christie Whitman recently nominated four New Jersey attorneys to the Superior Court bench in Essex County. Three of these individuals are SHLS graduates.

Judge Michael Nelson '81, was initially nominated to the bench by former Governor Jim Florio. The nomination however was held up when Governor Whitman assumed the position of Governor. A Democrat, Nelson is currently the presiding judge of Irvington Municipal Court. A former Essex County Deputy Surrogate, Nelson spent a brief period of time as a judge in Newark Municipal Court.

Michael A. Petrolle '67 is a partner in the Roseland law firm of McCormack Petrolle & Matthews. He is considered a Democratic nominee.

Michael Casale '81 is the Bloomfield Township assistant counsel. He is a partner in the Belleville firm of Gaccione, Pomaco & Beck.

Casale is considered a Republican nominee. ♪

Kudos to Security

Recently, a staff member here at SHLS was the victim of a strong armed robbery in front of the school on Raymond Blvd. While the victim was not hurt physically, Sgt. Zeb Cantlow of SHLS security quickly responded to the scene, assured the victim's well being and pursued the suspect. Amazingly, Sgt. Cantlow apprehended the suspect near Penn Station and detained him until the Newark Police arrived. The suspect was arrested and placed in the Essex County Jail.

Sgt. Cantlow's quick actions, dedication to duty and concern for the SHLS community was instrumental in bringing the suspect to justice. We commend him for his efforts and for serving SHLS with integrity, distinction and honor. He is a credit to his agency and to Seton Hall University. ♪

Throw Your Fears Out The Window: Paula's Back

Wink Martindale, 3D

It's clear the competition for Professor of the Year has devolved into mere formality now that the one and only Paula Franzese has returned from her one-year sabbatical. Paula the Perfect, as she has been dubbed by some (perhaps jealously but nonetheless accurately), figures to rack up unsurpassable marks from her Property section thanks to a dazzling array of teaching tricks that generally leave her students somewhere between tears of laughter, tears of joy and just plain tears.

First-year Section D's have been the very fortunate ones this year. Only they have Estates in Land and Future Interests brought to life with nothing less than dramatic reenactments of key cases, Brady Bunch hypotheticals, Top 40 mnemonic devices and, of course, review by playing *Jeopardy*.

Incidentally, can anyone imagine Dean Riccio reviewing Dormant Commerce Clause principles by playing *Jeopardy*? ("Uhh, Dean, I'll take Market Participation for 200"), or perhaps the great Judge Gibbons explaining Federal Jurisdiction with a Greg Brady hypothetical ("Now class, Greg let his friend borrow a song for a gig, but the friend recorded it, and it's a hit. Can Greg sue in Federal Court under copyright infringement or is this just a state court contract claim?").

Does Judge Gibbons even know who Greg Brady is? Something tells me he does. Judge Gibbons knows everything, except perhaps how to work Greg into his class. Only Paula can do that.

Paula can also leave her section groping for Kleenex with numbing motivational and inspirational speeches, moving stories about her family

during both good times and bad and, on occasion, a spontaneous live reading of the *Desiderata*, followed up with the immortal words of her father, "Throw your fears out the window."

Add to that the stories of her days at Columbia when she was called on by her Civil Procedure professor in 53 consecutive classes ("It was a blessing," she claims), the surprise interruptions of former students claiming their legal career took off because of their knowledge of the Rule Against Perpetuities, and lest we forget the Remainder-man and Executioner puppets.

Sometimes you almost forget how articulate and how knowledgeable she is. Almost. You never forget how good a teacher she is, that's for sure.

She never misses a chance to reward or compliment a student and has brought the section together with small group sessions after class (with plenty of munchies, of course), plus the soon to become legendary "Family Day," which is set for Nov. 30. All family members of students have been encouraged to come to class and then join in the Property-related food fest (Remainder-man cookies, etc.) with entertainment supplied by both professionals and Paula alike.

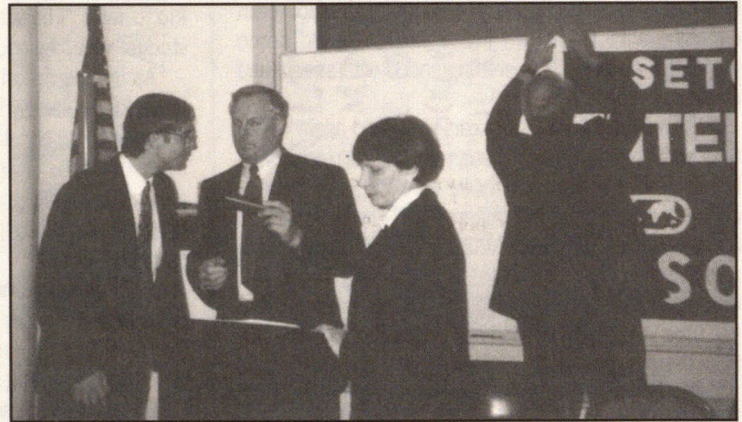
The rumor is other first-year sections are attempting to hold their own respective Family Days. I'm sorry, Family Day may be imitated but likely won't be duplicated. And you can try the *Paula on Property* tapes if you want. But again, it's kind of like the movie version of your favorite book. It's just not the same. At least not for real Property connoisseurs. ♪

Mayor of St. Petersburg Casts Hopeful Light on Russian Legal Reform

Courtenay Lee, 2D Secretary, International Law Society

Mayor Anatoly Sobchak spoke to the Seton Hall Law School Community on October 26, and gave optimistic predictions for legal and economic reform in the former Soviet Republics. The lecture on Russian reform, featuring Mr. Sobchak, was presented by the International Law Society. Mr. Sobchak, a lawyer and professor at the University of Leningrad, now St. Petersburg, is the first elected Mayor of St. Petersburg, elected in 1989 after the fall of the Soviet Union. He became active in politics in 1989, and was asked by Boris Yeltsin to be the Vice-President of his administration, but he declined. Mr. Sobchak was the chairman of one of the five committees that drafted Russia's new constitution in the spring of 1993. Mr. Sobchak, with Gavril Popov, is the leader of the Democratic reform party, which represents the goals of privatization and land reform within a democratic and free market framework.

In his speech entitled "Legal Reform and the Free Market in Russia," Mr. Sobchak depicted an extremely encouraging outlook on the present state of affairs on Russia. He not only described the new legal, political, and economic substructures that have been established in the last five years, but also explained how the present foundations are essential to future political stability as well as development of a capital market. Mr. Sobchak was enthusiastic about the upcoming elections for the new president, stressing the strength of the new constitutional electoral provisions. Though not disclosing his own opinion of who is going to be Russia's new leader, Mr. Sobchak felt confident that the current system would provide a stable transition into Russia's future, a luxury not available in the past. ♪



What Was That Again?

In its continuing effort to promote the positive aspects of our school (at the possible expense of the whiners, complainers, nitpickers and nay-sayers), *Res Ipsa Loquitur* will be introducing a new feature next month that aims to capture the lighter side of Seton Hall School of Law.

Despite the tension associated with our competitive endeavors here, which of course is intensified during the fast-approaching exam period, we nevertheless encounter many funny moments during class time, thanks in large part to the seemingly infinite supply of humor that our professors routinely offer.

Since we think those moments deserve exposure, *Res Ipsa* seeks contributions from students recounting any funny incidents during class, long or short (but preferably short) worthy of publication, not unlike the sentiments expressed in the nearby feature on Prof. Franzese faithfully submitted by Mr. Martindale, 3D. (Please, no wise guys.) ♪

Time Well Spent

Dawn Marie Mims, 3D Secretary, Rodino Society

On November 16, the Rodino Society sponsored a Thanksgiving Crafts day at Harmony House in Newark. The six of us that made the short trip from the law school to Harmony House to spend time with these underprivileged children found such joy and value in our short time with the kids.

The organization for the event was simple. First, I called Harmony House to arrange the event. Next, notice went out to all the Rodino members via e-mail. Then, I made a trip to Bradlees to buy some crayons, scissors, glue, and construction paper to add to the materials we had accumulated from past events. Finally, I went to Grand Union and purchased some juice boxes, cookies, and lollipops. For about \$50.00 we were ready to go meet the kids at Harmony House.

On the way to Harmony House, other members of the Rodino Society who had attended previous events there were reminiscing about the kids they had previously met. They recalled the intelligence, personality, and overall enthusiasm that the kids had displayed. Those kids were all that was discussed during the car ride.

When we arrived at Harmony House, we set up the materials for the kids to work with and the fun began. First, we traced turkeys with our hands and decorated them with crayons and markers. Then, we made Indian hats out of construction paper. Some of the kids even came up with their own ideas and designed some wonderful art work. The evening ended with snacks and drinks.

As we walked out to our cars we talked again of our time with the kids. Even though we had all participated in this type of activity before, we were still overwhelmed at the excitement of the children and the tremendous amount of fun they seemed to have had doing crafts with us. The next day, we were still speaking about our evening and were making plans for our next event. Today, the time spent with the kids at Harmony House is still fresh in my own mind.

This evening that I describe may not seem like a big deal to most people. In fact, it was rather simple and every day—at least to us. However, for the kids at Harmony House, it was an opportunity to have fun with others; to do something with an evening that may have been spent in front of the television or out in the street. No one ever seemed in a rush to leave. In fact, we had to bring things to a close so that we could leave before the recreation center closed.

Even more amazing is that it took very little time and money to bring the amount of joy that I know we brought to those kids. All you need is an idea and maybe a few dollars. Making arrangements for a visit is simple; the directors who run these programs look forward to such an offer.

The most important thing is that if you want to do something for someone else, it is very easy. Although we may not have the time to do big things to make big changes, it may surprise you how much these smaller gestures add up to have a larger effect on society. A good deed does go a long way. ♪

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problems."

As for the utility of a 'non-binding' student vote, which effectively communicates the opinion of the students through a tally of votes rather than through their elected representatives, Kavesh said, "You get a good read and it gives you more credence." Kavesh said he was not aware of the details of the pending state claim against Brennan and added, "The fact that I was not clear on all of the facts was part of the reason I abstained from voting on [Nemeth's] resolution."

Kavesh said, "If you have a referendum a few weeks later, you can disseminate information in the process and that way, at least by the time the voting comes around, I would be more informed and so would the student body." But the level of information disseminated at the time this article went to print was an SBA mass mailing with sketchy details of Brennan's current legal problems, and 8 1/2 x 11 fliers tacked up around the school which refer to a vote on November 20, 21 and 22, with no reference to the subject matter of the vote. When the votes were taken, the SBA table in the atrium had no sign denoting the subject matter of the vote either.

DeAngelis said that he voted no on both resolutions and the referendum. "I do not think that having Brennan stay on until May will hurt the school." "I think we understand that as law students we are not reading trial court opinions, we are reading appellate court opinions, and I am assuming that there was nothing wrong with letting him stay on until the appeal is done," he added.

Riccio said, "I think it is up to the school. From my own perspective, my position with respect to allegations is that you should not take action on the basis of allegations. We're all lawyers and we know allegations don't mean a thing until they are proven." As to the judgment entered against Brennan, Riccio said, "The question becomes, 'what is your obligation to someone who has been connected to Seton Hall for over thirty years, as a student, as an alumnus, as a member of the Board of Regents, as a person who is respected and admired by many people in addition to those who do not respect and admire him?'"

"My own feeling is that when you have someone who has been that close to the university for that many years, the least you can do is give him the benefit of the doubt while the appeal is pending," Dean Riccio said. "I basically agree with the Board of Regents and the Chancellor on that, and with the SBA's student vote," he added.

As for the notoriety being generated by the case and the potential image problem for the school, Dean Riccio said, "That's what the issue is. The issue is about image, which is a legitimate issue, and deserves to be considered. But it is also about fairness. It is also about not being concerned about guilt by association. From my own perspective, I represented Mr. Brennan through my law firm...and I was the attorney of record in 1985 when the case that resulted in this judgment was filed. I feel that it is part of my professional responsibility to help with the appeal; which I am doing, and for which I receive no compensation."


DeAngelis was not as concerned about the image of SHLS in relation to Brennan as he was over other issues. "As for the reputation of the Law School, I think the reputation was harmed more with the New Jersey Law Journal and Star Ledger articles on the alleged cheating scandal, and the Walter Walsh issue, then anything so far with Brennan."

The Dean's friendship and professional relations with Brennan have caused him to be a named defendant in a suit against International Thoroughbred Breeders, a Brennan owned company, in his capacity as a member of the Board of Directors. That case was settled, and Dean Riccio has since retired from that Board for unrelated reasons. The Dean was also a Director of Primedex, another Brennan owned company which is currently the subject of a suit relating to the activities of one of its subsidiaries, RadNet. The Dean left that board several years ago.

"So far as my friendship with him is concerned, I was raised to believe that when you are friends with people, you are friend with them in good times and difficult. These are difficult times for him, these are times when he needs good friends and I intend to remain a friend," Dean Riccio said.

As an example of the extent of the relationship among Seton Hall, Brennan, the companies he owns, and his legal problems, consider that Hon. Peter W. Rodino Jr., was also on the Board of Directors of Primedex and has also since resigned. Professor Willfredo Caraballo was recently appointed to the Primedex Board of Directors. During a recent hearing on a bankruptcy petition filed by Brennan, the Dean's former firm, Robinson, St. John, and Wayne, was present, as was university General Counsel Lawrence Whipple Jr., in addition to the Seton Hall Chancellor, Rev. Thomas Peterson. The bankruptcy petition was heard by Judge Stephen Stripp, who teaches a bankruptcy class as an adjunct professor here at SHLS.

The 130 page appellate brief, for the defense, challenging the judgment in the case brought by the SEC, was filed Wednesday November, 15. Both the judgment in the current case, the appeal, the results of the student vote and the emerging state action will be explored in the next issue of *Res Ipsa*. ♪



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Yitzhak Rabin: Random Reflections

Joseph S. Kavesh, 3D

The news of Yitzhak Rabin's assassination on November 4 was unbelievable. Yet, at the same time, it wasn't, especially considering the dynamic forces and dangerous emotions rampant in the small neighborhood called the Middle East.

For the generation of twenty-something Americans, assassinations were simply footnotes in history books, vague concepts from the 1960s. Martin Luther King. Malcolm X. The Kennedys. Even Anwar Sadat's murder in 1981 seemed an ancient memory. Rabin's death has changed everything.

The Internet provided a forum for tributes and commentaries as the realization set in that Rabin's death was global in its scope, transcending generational lines. Talk of the O.J. Simpson trial seemed trivial in comparison.

In his poignant best-seller, *From Beirut to Jerusalem*, Thomas Freidman writes that peace will not be achieved in the Middle East until all sides really want it. In the years since the Gulf War, Israelis and Palestinians have met face to face and exchanged handshakes. So, too, have Israelis and Jordanians. While skeptics dismiss these acts as merely symbolic, such progress was largely a result of Rabin's leadership and commitment to peace.

Let us hope that Yitzhak Rabin's legacy is not "the man who represented the last best chance for peace," but rather, perhaps he will be remembered as the leader who took bold steps and gave his life in the process of securing an everlasting and meaningful harmony between Israelis and Palestinians. ♡

Letter To the Editor

Robert Shiappacasse, 1D

I am writing this letter in response to the final segment of **Sidebar** (October 1995). Why is Bob Dole's stance on homosexuality "ignorant"? Senator Dole has strong views on values and like many Americans, homosexuality is not part of those values. There is a difference between tolerance and support. We as a nation should respect homosexuality for what it is, a sexual choice, not a political one. It is not ignorant for someone to reject funds for a campaign based on values he does not support, it is a conviction and I applaud it. Even more appalling than [Robert Braine's] haphazard characterization of this situation was the inflammatory language [he uses] to describe the Christian Coalition:

"...a lunatic fringe, fundamentalist organization that seeks to incorporate the bible into law that censors freedom of speech and expression..." was the stunning description [he used]. This political organ gives Christians a voice in the political process. A voice that many factions in our society enjoy. Ralph Reed, the President of the Christian Coalition, has put out a platform and has spoken eloquently on ideals such as tax cuts for families, a balanced budget, opportunity for prayer in schools and eliminating abortion. The group stresses values and responsibility for those values on the part of entertainment. This does not sound like fringe lunatics to me? Censure of freedom of speech? Wasn't it Al Gore's wife who lobbied for record labels? Now he crucifies these people for demanding the same responsibility from other wings of the media. Why are so many people in the middle of the political arena demonizing Christians, who like Jews and Muslims, simply want their point of view addressed in the policy debate? It isn't lunacy, it's called "Democracy".

Finally, Robert Braine calls Dole's behavior an attempt at "catapulting" himself into the White House. Maybe you are not aware that Robert Dole was a World War II veteran. He was elected to the House of representatives in 1950, 1960, 1962, 1964, and 1966. He was county attorney from 1952-1958. He was elected to the Senate in 1968 where he has served ever since. He was an unsuccessful candidate for the Republican Presidential nomination in both 1980 and 1988. He was Gerald Ford's Vice Presidential choice when they lost in 1976 and he served as Republican Party Chairman from 1971-1973. He was named Majority Leader in both 1985 and 1994. Does that sound like the resume of a man trying to leapfrog to the White House by distancing himself from gays? Where is Colin Powell he asks? I am sure he has all the answers, right? His book tour has been such a trial of his true character and positions on tough issues, right? Look for Colin Powell all you want, you will never find Dwight D. Eisenhower. ♡

Just a few random thoughts from a law student on the edge of insanity:

It wasn't one of those moments that you remember where you were when you first heard about it, but the **Federal Government** recently shut down. **President Clinton** demonstrated his forceful and brilliant leadership abilities by spending the weekend before the shut down on a golf course. He said something about trying to find the real people that forced the shut-down. In one of the few intelligent decisions surrounding this ridiculous matter, **Postal Workers** were deemed essential, and therefore, still worked. Hey, would you want to be the one to tell them they will not be paid? Considering the speed of the postal service, who would really notice a shut-down anyway?

The **EEOC** recently stated that the owners of **Hooters**, a national chain of restaurants known for their exceptional hot wings, has been practicing discriminatory hiring practices by employing only female **waitresses**. Another small reason why **Hooters** may be so popular could be the fact that the **waitresses** dress in tight half-shirts and even tighter, short shorts, but I don't really buy that. Who could possibly like being served beer by **stunning women** with little clothing on? Anyway, the **EEOC** would like the chain to employ male waiters. Is anything sacred? What's next, the L.A. Laker Guys? The real question must be, after decisions like this, who told the **EEOC** that they were an essential federal office?

Dedicated science students at **Emory** and **Princeton** recently completed a study attempting to answer the age old question: Are condoms really effective? The inquiring minds traveled to the most logical place to do this study. After they were booted from the **Bob Packwood** compound, the **intellectuals** settled in lovely **Las Vegas**, where one can buy sex and order a pizza with anchovies during the same call. The students employed 41 "**professionals**" to turn over used condoms to determine whether they had withstood the horizontal pressure test. It is a good thing we **know** how effective toilet paper is. The results only prove the ancient axiom guys use to get more sex: practice makes perfect. The good news is that 365 condoms in a row were used without breakage. Hey, who says that **Americans** can't produce any quality goods any more? There is, however, no truth to the rumor that **Steve Garvey's** was the 366th.

The **Seton Hall Administration** is never shy about bragging over how open and diverse the school is, which makes the library's treatment of a female student that much more unexplainable. It seems that a student traveled to the school to do essential research on a Saturday. She unfortunately was unable to find a sitter for her child, so she made the horrendous mistake of bringing the child with her. The minute she entered the library, the librarian told her that **no children** were allowed inside and asked her to leave. Before the student was able to explain her desire to get a study room to do her research, she was ordered to take her child out of the library. How is that for a **thank you** for your \$16,000? It is quite ironic that, like the rest of us, this student is paying

exorbitant tuition costs to pay off a building designed to serve a more diverse student population and she, one of the type of diverse students that the school displays incessantly in brochures, is locked out from its use. Hey librarians, get a grip. Its not like our library is a church. The noise that emanates from our library is caused by more than the pitter patter of little feet. It resembles **Central Perk** more than a place of centralized study. If I remember correctly, a cute, well-trained dog ran through out sacred library last year. I suppose only **lawyers** can fully explain the distinction.

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While we are evaluating some school policy decisions, how 'bout that great **big room** jutting out of the side of our building? I heard rumors that it belongs to the school, but I can't say I can remember seeing anyone actually in it. I am sure it is very nice, aside from the fact that the seats are small and narrow, the whole first year class cannot fit in it at one time, and the valuable property it sits on could have been used for something a little more practical, like secured parking. Here is a little idea, considering the fact that the **Newark Performing Arts Theatre** won't be completed for another couple of years, we can rent the room out on weekends. Can't you just see a (far) off **Broadway** production of a reworked **"One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest"** depicting the life of a student that actually likes law school. How about Sunday Dinner Theater? You know, dinner in the **atrium** catered by **Ralph** followed by a show in the auditorium. At this rate, we might be able to bring tuition down close to a reasonable level. But hey, at least the new building will look real nice on **letter head** and **bulletins** produced by the school for the rest of the decade.

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James Brown was feeling good recently after his wife, **Adrian**, turned a complete about face and dropped the spousal abuse chargers she herself previously filed. It seems the **godfather of sock** wasn't feeling too nice one night when he slapped around **Adrian**, causing her to call **911** and to later receive stitches. Recently, she dropped the charges and told a different sugar and spice story of how the many cuts and bruises found their way to her face. She said that **James** wears a heavy gold bracelet and large ring to bed every night. While tossing and turning, she made contact with the jewelry, slicing her lip and bruising skin around her eyes and nose. Well, of course, what were we thinking? I'm glad that is all straightened out. Yo, **Adrian**, if you are going to make up a story, the least you can do is not insult anyone's intelligence. **Everyone** knows that people stopped wearing huge gold jewelry to sleep in the **1980's**, except maybe **Don King**. At least they are back together, living in America under the same roof, like loving families should during the holidays. And I thought that the **Simpson** verdict would have a bad impact on society, shame on me. ♪

OP-ED

Inherently Equal

Brian Kernan

The warning flags are waving directly in the face of the Republican Congress, but true to the arrogance of Washington, the new majority appears to be ignoring them.

If this continues, we could be witness to the shortest revolution in history. But that's only because we haven't seen much of a revolution. Instead it appears that Washington is playing the same game, only with different players.

There are those who remain true to their beliefs that government, especially powerful and centralized government, is the best and fairest mechanism for solving our problems. But they were not in the majority last November. Indeed, the populace rejected the notion that Washington was doing a good job. In fact many have asserted that the Feds are actually contributing to the very problems they claim to be solving.

So it was with that expectation that many felt a true change in governmental philosophy would be in the works with the 104th Congress. But what have we seen? First, look at the Contract with America. Term limits? Dead. Balanced Budget Amendment? Failed. Line Item Veto? Dying. Tort reform? Missing in action. Tax cuts? Phony.

And what about the promise of decentralization? The new budget will contain the Commerce Department, the Department of Education, the National Endowment for the Arts and even the hapless and thoroughly unnecessary Department of Energy. Not even a symbolic effort by the new folks to cut some of the bloated bureaucracy.

Instead, where do they find the money to balance the budget? Medicare. Now, even loyal Republicans might have given the new majority the benefit of the doubt if the Medicare reforms were in good faith. But they haven't been. Instead it's been traditional Washington politics worthy of the Democratic Party itself.

The middle class faithful (who have more than played by the rules) get stuck with higher premiums and cuts in services while the Doctors Lobby (a/k/a. A.M.A.) received everything it asked for. The final blow to the faithful.

In the official polls, Clinton has seen his highest approval rating by far, somewhere between 50 and 60 percent. Another poll had 74 percent of Americans offering disapproval of the Medicare reform.

More telling to me, however, is my own unofficial poll of some of the most loyal Republicans I know. First my dad: a full-fledged Republican since 1964 and a strong supporter of Eisenhower in 1952 and '56. He has bitterly opposed Clinton since the laughable intro of Mike Dukakis at the 1988 Democratic Convention.

Yet my dad has vowed to vote for Bill next November and has also penned a scathing letter to Congressman Bob Franks (R-NJ), his first such letter in decades.

Next, a family friend from Edison, a lifelong Republican who had been active in local politics. Again, a promise to vote Democratic. The same sentiments from another family friend from Texas who has been active in Republican party politics in that state.

Incredible? Not really. Many have become keenly aware that our governments, at all levels, spend most their time and effort serving themselves instead of the people, and that real change is in order. Yet Washington continues to conduct business as usual. The only difference is that Newt and Bob have a different set of friends than Foley and Mitchell did. And the people are not going to buy it anymore.

The Democratic policies of taxation, regulation and litigation have failed the American worker in recent decades and have been rejected for all time. They have left American business either reeling or taking their jobs overseas and have contributed heavily to wage stagnation and the loss of good jobs.

Republican policies offer no alternatives. The new majority favors the greedy, near-sighted corporations, the bankers and the free traders who have equally failed to revive manufacturing within our borders, and the high-paying jobs that go with it.

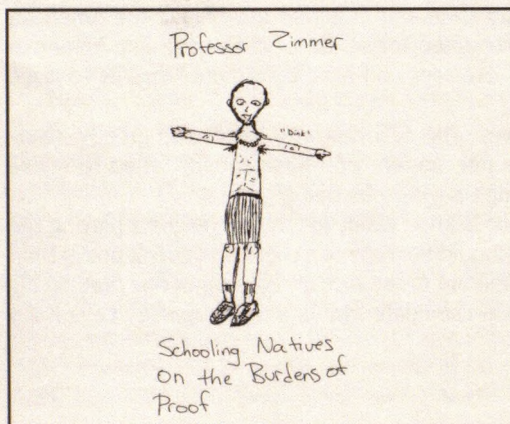
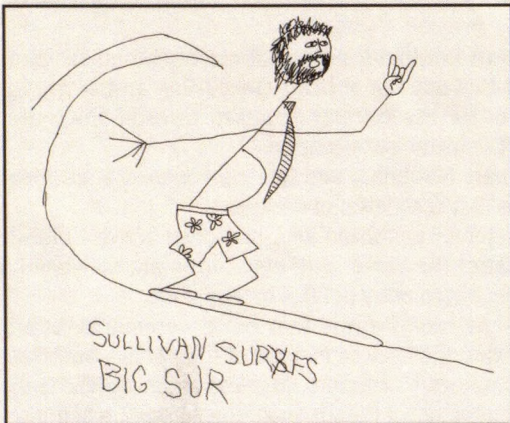
So where do we go from here? Back to the States? Likely just minor leaguers playing the same game, but at least State governments should be more of a check on Federal power than they are now. Colin Powell or Ross Perot? One out of the race and the other one fired by his own party. A third party or a non-mainstream candidate who is a true populist? Let's hope so. ♪

The Best of the Worst

On November 3, with pomp, circumstance and the famous Seton Hall main lobby buffet (bring on those phony Mc Nuggets), the winners of the *Res Ipsa* Cartoonist Competition were selected from a pool of two entries. The winners were Daniel Silberstein and Andrew Zuckerman. The two will share a \$5,000 scholarship curtesy of the Yoko Ono Foundation for the Artistically Challenged. When asked whether he would pursue a career in art, Silberstein responded, "That depends. I think I can get this thing hung in the law school if I add some earth tones. What do they pay for this crap?"

Mr. Zuckerman, angry to have shared first place, was said to have fallen into a deep artistic funk and vanished with an audible "pop." However, sources have disclosed that on the evening of the ceremony, Mr. Zuckerman reappeared sauntering nude down McCarter Highway with an armful of stolen lawn statues shouting, "Carpe Gnoma!" Investigation has revealed that the phrase dates back to the thirteenth century, and means, "Steal the patio furniture of the aristocracy." Mr. Zuckerman has been released on his own recognizance. His whereabouts are currently unknown.

The dead heat was a shock to the crowd buzzing at the steps of the law school building as there was only one vote to be cast by editor Dawn Marie Mims. Explaining her difficult decision, she said, "It was really tough. Both of these drawings suck." ☹



Home for the Holidays

Charles Musante, 3D

Did you ever notice that wherever you go, you can never escape the fact that you are a law student or future lawyer? I think the holidays are the time you notice it most. Ah yes, the holidays, Ho Ho Ho and deck them halls. (I hear its run by a big eastern syndicate, you know) Second and Third years may remember the old days where we had to worry about exams, outlines and study group meetings as we ripped open the presents. But now everyone can relax, thanks to our gracious present from the faculty and administration and you can concentrate on what really matters, spending quality time with family and friends. Which also means that you'll spend much of the time answering all the questions that your friends and family have for you about law school and the legal profession. (Yes it happens to everyone.)

I grew up in a fairly small town in upstate New York. Whenever I go home for Thanksgiving, I always end up at the unofficial class reunion, Wednesday night, at the local drinking establishment. This is also affectionately known as the "had to come home" party. Generally I enjoy seeing those people I haven't seen in a year, but.... does this sound familiar to you?

"So, whatcha' doing now?"

I respond, "Oh, I'm in Law school."

Then they ask, "Yeah, where?"

"Seton Hall Law, in Newark."

"Hey, that's the school that had a great basketball team a few years back, right?" (nice to know your school reputation is based on your basketball team's run in the NCAA's.)

So then you have to respond, "Yes, that's the one."

And then here come, the biggies, "So, how's it going?" "Do you like it?" "Was the first year really as hard as they say?" on and on and on.....

At this point in the conversation, I stop and make some type of weird facial gesture and wave my hands for added impact. Then depending on how much I've had to drink, I either begin to spout on about my experience or I abruptly turn the conversation over to what they have been doing with themselves for the last year.

The other person does not particularly like this, because they are not just asking you to be cordial, they have, of course, other motives for interrogating you. Either they just took the LSAT or they are considering going to Law school. (You should be nodding your head at this point, because I know it has already happened to you.) And, of course, it is hard to give a great answer because you once had those delusions of grandeur. You were going to waltz in, make straight A's, be on Law Review and come out making \$90,000 a year to start. And now you realize, hey, there's a lot of work involved, you do not get enough sleep, you forfeit much of your social life and the kicker, the loans and debt! (The only good thing is if you talk enough about the debt that you are in, people generally will buy you a drink, and that's o.k. with me.) So, I usually try to be as realistic as possible without scaring them to death or making them depressed.

As if this wasn't enough, your family gets in on the act the next day. Instead of being at the table, I feel like I should be in a room with one light bulb and some fat cop named Siopowitz grilling me for answers. The relatives generally do not know when to leave well enough alone. You know how it is, as you're reaching for that third helping of turkey and mashed potatoes, they ask, "So, how about that O.J. trial?" or "What about that woman who sued over the hot coffee?" or even worse, "How is school going?" Don't they know you just want to be left alone.

Usually, I just nod my head and smile as I keep chewing my turkey, thinking about how much of this I will be taking back to New Jersey with me. I do my best to give an objective opinion, the intelligent Law school opinion on the whole subject matter. But the truth is I couldn't give a hoot about the Juice or hot coffee tort actions, while I'm eating my favorite meal, **a free one**. The only thing I really have on my mind is how nice it will be to fall asleep on the couch, listening to John Madden talk about six legged turkeys. (Don't you just love it.)

Unfortunately, it doesn't end here, it of course continues throughout the rest of the season as well, it only starts at Turkey Day. At the mall, the office parties, the family get togethers, going to see your significant other's family, your place of worship..... it never ends. I guess it would be utopian of me to think that I could leave school at school, but then, would I really be a true law student?

So think about this as you reach for that piece of pumpkin pie, sip the egg nog or give thanks, even though it is annoying, at least you are doing something important enough that they want to know how you're doing and seek your advice. And as much as you want to get away from it all, there may come the day when you **DO** make it big and those same people will come back to you and say, "I remember when you were only in law school, and look at you now. So how's it going?"

Happy Holidays to all. ☺

'Schutzenfest' Takes Aim at Becoming a Tradition at SHLS

Drew Clark, 3D

The issue of handgun violence is near and dear to Seton Hall Law School. Having a clinic dedicated to establishing enterprise liability for deaths resulting from handguns, SHLS treats the problem seriously and devotes much student time and clinic grant money to it. In the legislative world outside these halls, there is much talk on both sides of issue over the need to curb guns, the right to own them, and presumably the incidence of crimes involving them.

One need only look so far as the fight over New Jersey's assault weapons ban, and the furor surrounding it, for an example of how this issue is both social and political in a way that does not lend it to easy division.

The history of guns and the right to gun ownership in this country stretches as far back as to when the first settlers began arriving and brought their muskets with them. So to, the history of violence surrounding the ownership and use of these weapons reaches back as far. According to the 1994 Statistical Abstract of the United States, between 1987 and 1992 there were 4.9 people victimized by crime with a handgun per 1000 people in this country. In 1992 there were 4,455 police officers assaulted with firearms. It would be difficult to argue that violence and guns are not often related.

But, as John Marcus (3D) said, "That is where the gun control laws fail. Criminals are not buying guns in stores. They target the wrong audience."

The issue is fairly polarized, but between the extremes there is likely a middle ground at which we will probably arrive. However, for one day, rather than take up intellectual arms on either side, I was determined to put aside the philosophical, social, and political arguments and stand on the side of the issue whereby I could explore and exercise the limits of my constitutional right to keep and bear arms, in the open air of southern New Jersey.

Saturday, November 4, was the date of an event which will likely become a twice annual outing for interested students at SHLS, the "Schutzenfest" hosted by Professor William Garland at his farm shooting range in Chatsworth, New Jersey. If you do not know Professor Garland, take a stroll along the fifth floor, by the faculty offices, and look for the office with the poster of a gun painted like an American flag emblazoned on the door.

Now, having never discharged a handgun before, I thought this would be an opportunity for an interesting experience in which I might never again have the chance to engage. So it was with much excitement, bordering on fear, that I and two of my classmates made the long trek to Chatsworth on that chilly brilliant Saturday morning.

Upon arriving in Chatsworth, once you've passed the perimeter of tract home developments that crop up on the edges of the parkway and act as a demarcation between the areas of the state which are suburban and those which are truly rural, you hit an open expanse of the New Jersey Pine Barrens that, despite my having lived in this state for all of my life, was somewhat foreign to my notions of New Jersey. One could literally look off to the horizon on both sides of the highway and see nothing but pine trees jutting from the sandy soil.

But this moment of wonder at the sight of nature aside, my friends and I were in town to do some shooting. So, after several U-turns and some deft driving across roads made for tractors and four wheel drive vehicles, guided only by the sound of discharging firearms somewhere off in the distance, my friends and I wound our way to the open air range.

Call it fate or fortuity, perhaps even karma, but this also happened to be the day I went on the 'Transdermal Nicotine Patch' in my most recent attempt to quit smoking since I again picked up the habit just before Fall exams during my first year (that was

when they were in January for those of you who do not remember). So, it was with transdermally delivered nicotine coursing through my capillaries and a belly full of hot coffee keeping me alert and upright, that I approached the bright morning air and the curious playground where we were to spend the balance of the day.

Our arrival was greeted by the sound of shotguns blazing at skeet delicately floating on the breeze and the smiling faces of classmates (one in camouflage) and their friends in a gun powder smelling set of circumstances which was oddly contradictory to that in which I had come to know them.

My traveling companions were gun owners, and I had shot a rifle once, so this was neither a new sound nor experience. But there was something surreal in witnessing several students from my Corporate Taxation class, with whom I spent much time ruminating over the difference between a debt and a security and the concomitant tax disadvantages of the determination, and trying to jibe that with the smiling, holster wearing, shot gun firing people I was presented with.

Perhaps it was the lack of cigarettes, or the early hour at which I had to rise, or maybe the transdermal nicotine inspired nightmares of the previous evening, but the convergence of all these thoughts and sensations brought me perilously close to the edge of what I could rationally process.

I would like to blame my poor showing with the skeet on all of these circumstances, but I cannot. My skill at targeting, and shattering, the tricky skeet was nothing about which to write home (or here for that matter), and it was due solely to a lack of ability. The skeet being somewhere between three and four inches in diameter, and traveling on a shearing wind that caused them move like a knuckle ball from a major league pitcher, I was about as effective at hitting them with a .28 gauge shotgun as I would have been with a pea-shooter aiming into a strong head wind.

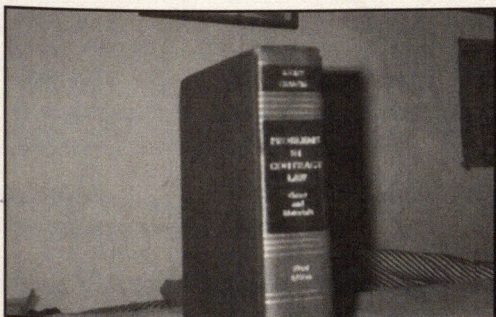
Once we finished skeet shooting, the .22 caliber rifles were brought out and we all took turns at target shooting (cans, stationary metal targets, etc.). There were single shot rifles, semi-automatics with ten round capacities, and a few with scopes so accurate at 150 yards, you could have shot a hole through a quarter with them.

But then came the real excitement. It was time to take out the handguns and the large bore rifles. One of my classmates had brought with him a .9 millimeter semi automatic, and a similar, though heftier in weight and bore, .45 caliber. The other guy I came with brought a 30.06 shotgun.

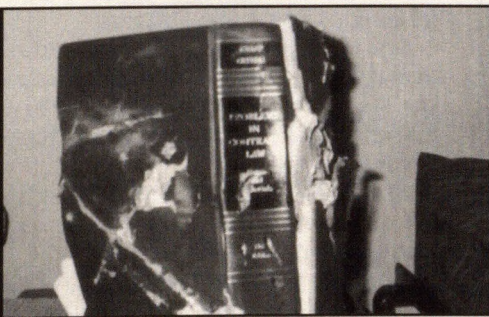
I had grown weary of the more mundane and uninspiring targets with which we were presented for the other firearms, so in order to create some incentive for accuracy in myself, I brought out my first year Contracts book (Knapp and Crystal "Problems in Contract Law") and the required UCC supplement (Articles 2 and 9 only, but nevertheless pricey enough to make you flip through it a few times to look for the other sections) and set them bound together in the sand. I took aim at them with the .45 and began firing. After the second shot hit, the book fell on its side with the spine facing in my direction—as if silently mocking me—so I emptied the remaining five rounds into the spine in rapid succession.

To say the least, my book was mortally injured. I know this may sound wasteful, but go down to the bookstore ask them what you can get for selling your books back, compare that amount to what you paid, and you may feel like blowing them away regardless of how pacifistic you might normally feel. Considering my experience with contracts this seemed an appropriate end (no offense to Professor Gilbert Holmes, my teacher, who made the course as funny, interesting and challenging as he could...no small feat) for the bane of my first year's academic existence.

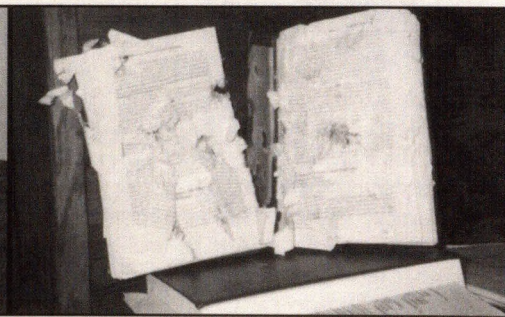
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Before...



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After-After

"Sports at the Hall"

Lawyers Athletic League Begins Sixth Season

The New Jersey Athletic League will commence its sixth season this fall at gymnasiums throughout the state. The league offers a 10 game basketball and co-ed volleyball regular season with post-season playoff tournaments. The basketball championship game is played at the Meadowlands Arena.

The basketball league is open to all lawyers and law students while the co-ed volleyball league is open to lawyers, law students and all law firm employees. Firms may enter multiple teams and individuals may enter their names to be placed on unaffiliated teams.

For info and applications, contact Mitchell Rait, Esq. at the New Jersey Lawyers Athletic League, PO Box 70, Roseland, N.J. 07068. ☛

Men's Basketball Begins Big East Schedule

On December 2, Coach George Blaney and our Pirates open their 1995-96 Big East season against the University of Miami Hurricanes at the Miami Arena. Blaney returns four starters and 10 letter winners back from last year's 16-14 squad. Leading the way are senior co-captains Adrian Griffin from Wichita, Kansas and Danny Hurley of Jersey City.

Griffin, a swingman, earned All-Big East honors a year ago, leading the Pirates in scoring (15.5 ppg) and rebounding (7.2). Recognized as one of the top returnees in the Big East, the 6-5 Griffin needs just 131 points to become the 24th player in SHU history to go over the 1,000 point mark.

Hurley returned from a year off to become one of the top playmakers in the Big East, averaging 5.3 assists per game, along with 13.8 ppg.

The other two returning starters are 6-7 sophomore Donnell Williams of Jersey City and 6-8 Roger Ingraham of Nassau, Bahamas. Williams was a unanimous selection to the Big East's All Rookie team last year, who averaged 13.1 points and 6 rebounds, while Ingraham averaged 8.4 points and 5.4 rebounds.

Also on hand for Blaney will be four newcomers, all frontcourt players. Battling for playing time will be 6-10 Bayonne Taty and a trio of freshman, 6-6 Duane Jordan, 6-7 Roy Leath and 6-10 Kelland Payton.

Other returnees include 6-2 Levell Sanders, and 6-10 center Jacky Kaba. ☛

"Federalists Plan Trip To Stanford"

David V. Calviello, 3D President, SHLS Federalist Society

The SHLS Chapter of the Federalist Society is planning to attend the *Fifteenth Annual National Symposium on Law and Public Policy* which will be held February 23 and 24, 1996 at Stanford Law School in Palo Alto, CA. The symposium will address the topic, "**Justice and the Criminal Justice Process**", and will feature prominent scholars, judges and policy leaders from across the country.

Panel topics include: "The Role of Exclusionary Rules and Victim Participation"; "Protections Against Self-Incrimination: A Path or a Roadblock to Justice?"; "The Role of Lawyers and the Search for Truth: Reexamining the Adversarial System;" and, "Feds Fighting Crime: When and How."

Registration for the Conference is projected to be \$5.00 for students and \$20.00 for others. There is an optional charge of \$25.00 to attend the Saturday evening banquet. The SHLS Chapter intends to secure free lodging for its members through Stanford University. In addition, the Federalist Society National Office will reimburse 1/3 travel expenses for students who are national members (membership dues for the national chapter is \$5.00).

The SHLS Chapter of the Federalist Society is excited to attend what will be our school's first student conference. Last year, attendance was over 600 with fifty law schools represented. This is an excellent opportunity for students to learn more about the criminal justice system and meet law students from across the country - as well as enjoy some free time in CA.

If anyone is interested in what is sure to be a worthwhile and cost-efficient trip, please leave your name and number in **David Calviello's mailbox, 3D - #879**, and I will forward a membership application to you. In addition, if you're interested in learning more about the Federalist Society you can pick-up a brochure and application in the Federalist Society mailbox in the metal file cabinet located outside the 2nd floor SBA office. We hope to see some of you in the "Golden State!" ☛

APALSA Update

The Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (APALSA) has had a busy Fall and is looking forward to an exciting Spring. On October 21, 1995 APALSA sponsored the annual National Asian Pacific American Law Students Association (NAPALSA) dinner at the law school. This event was a tremendous success. Over three hundred law students from across the country were in attendance. The dinner provided the students with the opportunity to meet with various Asian-American attorneys and discuss issues confronting Asian-Americans in the legal profession.

Next, on November 2, 1995, APALSA held its second annual Sushi Party. Once again, this proved to be a popular event. A special thanks to Grace Yoo, Suzi Hong and Carla Magpantay for their efforts in making this such a successful event.

On November 29, 1995, APALSA, along with BLSA, IALSA, Rodino, and JLSA, will be holding a Holiday Party for the children in the community. The children will be served lunch and get a chance to meet Santa and his elves.

In the forthcoming semester, APALSA has planned its annual Asians in the Judiciary Forum. This event is tentatively set for April and we will notify the students and faculty once a date is confirmed.

We hope to see all of you there. Until then, good luck with finals and have a happy and safe New Year. ☛

'Schutzenfest'

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After emptying the .45 into the book, I used a .9 millimeter with a full 15 round clip to add insult to injury. I do not know whether the introduction of this particular target made me more accurate than I otherwise might have been, but the book was beginning to shatter and was showing serious signs of fatigue by the time the fifteenth round pierced its hard (but now distinctively 'swiss cheese' like) cover.

Then, there was a sound of thunderous cataclysm that I cannot adequately describe in words. The student with the 30.06 shotgun (which had a concussion I could feel from five feet away when it was fired) aimed at my case book (the UCC supplement being unavailable as it had already gone to meet its personal Jesus) and put a hole through it that was simply frightening.

From the damage suffered by this unconvicted, but nevertheless not quite innocent, voluminous tome of seemingly unending discussions on the value and importance of the freedom to contract, peppered with words of dubious wisdom from the 'Chicago School' and the venerable words of Williston (not to mention the innumerable references to the awe inspiring and deference deserving Restatement 2d), I almost expected to see it bleed out all of the highlighter ink with which I had defaced it. However, this was a pleasure I was to be denied.

All in all, the experience was cathartic in a sort of embarrassing way. I might not do it again, but it sure felt good. I still have the shattered carcass of my contracts book in my room, and was still digging out .45 caliber slugs a day later.

As the days grow longer while exams draw nearer, I take a quiet comfort from my book's angry perforations and the smell of black powder which now characterize the work. It is at these times that I think—to be honest—Knapp and Crystal never looked better. ☛

Legislative Bureau Hosts Another Successful Symposium

Bill Matsikoudis, 2D

On November 15, the Legislative Bureau hosted a symposium entitled "Is America Ready for a Third Party." Former Governor Brendan Byrne and Tom Blomquist, President of the New Jersey Conservative Party were among the panelists who discussed the viability of a third party. The other panelists were Frank McDermot, former New Jersey Senate President, Beverly Kidder, a representative of Ross Perot's Reform Party, Kathleen King, an advocate of the Labor Party, and Robert Salman, who has been a surrogate speaker on behalf of numerous Democratic Presidential campaigns and has been mentioned as a possible candidate for the U.S. Senate. The event, which was moderated by the Eagleton Institute's Janice Ballou, was timely as the entrenched two party system, which has

dominated American politics for so long, finally seems vulnerable. Ross Perot's performance in the 1992 Presidential election, rumors of possible runs by the likes of Bill Bradley and Colin Powell, and a general sentiment among the American people that the established political structure has betrayed them, has made the possibility that a third party could succeed greater than ever.

Proponents of a third party said that both parties have failed to deliver important structural changes, such as term limits, and have become out of touch with the public. Advocates of the traditional system stated that the two parties give politicians needed discipline and that a successful third party is unrealistic. ☺

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