

classnotes

1959

Anthony C. Raccuglia has been honored with the Leonard M. Ring Lifetime Achievement Award from the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association. Raccuglia is owner of Anthony C. Raccuglia & Associates, PC in Peru, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on personal injury law.



1960

Claireen L. Herting has been elected to the Chicago Bar Association Board of Managers. Herting is with the PriceWaterhouseCoopers Foundation in Chicago, Illinois.

1967

Lee A. Daniels has formed Daniels Slone, LLC in Elmhurst, Illinois. Daniels concentrates his practice on real estate law.



1968

Hon. Gerald C. Bender has been honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Decalogue Society of Lawyers. Judge Bender is with the Circuit Court of Cook County in Chicago, Illinois.

1969

Hon. Timothy Evans has been re-elected to a fourth three-year term as chief judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County.

1974

Hon. Fred L. Foreman has been named a director of the Lake County Bar Association. Judge Foreman is with the 19th Judicial Circuit Court in Waukegan, Illinois.

1975

Russell W. Hartigan has been elected to the Illinois State Bar Association Board of Governors. Hartigan is with Hartigan & O'Connor, PC in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on civil litigation and municipal law.



1976

Hon. James P. Flannery has been elected to the Chicago Bar Association Board of Managers. Judge Flannery is with the Circuit Court of Cook County in Chicago, Illinois.

Gary A. Jones has been named manager of the Federal Office of the Christian Science Committee on Publication in Washington, DC.

1977

Joel B. Bernbaum has joined Timoney Knox, LLP in Fort Washington, Pennsylvania. Bernbaum concentrates his practice on family law.



Hon. Ronald J. Gerts has been selected associate judge of the 21st Judicial Circuit Court in Kankakee County, Illinois.

1979

Cary J. Collins has been appointed to the Judicial Inquiry Board for the State of Illinois. Collins operates a private practice in Hoffman Estates, Illinois.



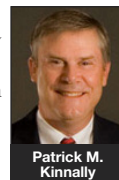
Paula H. Holderman has been elected third vice-president of the Illinois State Bar Association. Holderman is with Winston & Strawn, LLP in Chicago, Illinois.



1980

Hon. Daniel J. Kelley (Ret.) has been honored with the 2010 Accipiter Award from Fenwick High School and The Fenwick Bar Association in Oak Park, Illinois. Judge Kelly currently operates a solo practice in Chicago, Illinois.

Patrick M. Kinnally has been elected president of the Kane County Bar Association. Kinnally is with Kinnally, Flaherty, Krentz & Loran in Aurora, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on general and commercial litigation.



Nicholas J. Lynn has been recognized in the 2010 Chambers USA "Survey of the American Legal Professional." Lynn is with Duane Morris, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on pharmaceutical law and healthcare litigation.



Gary A. Peters has been selected to attend the 57th Annual National Security Forum at the Air War College, Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama. Peters is with Howard & Howard Attorneys, PC in Royal Oak, Michigan, and concentrates his practice on environmental and regulatory law.



1981

Bruce R. Meckler has been appointed to the Judicial Inquiry Board for the State of Illinois. Meckler is with Meckler, Bulger, Tilson, Marick & Pearson, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on complex commercial and insurance litigation.



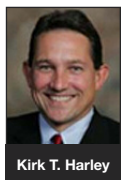
Barbara A. Sacha has been named vice president of Human Resources for Edgewater Systems for Balanced Living.

1982

Theodore T. Lemberis has been honored with the Global Counsel Award from the International Law Office and the Association of Corporate Counsel. Lemberis is the senior vice president and assistant general counsel for Diners Club International, Ltd.

1983

Kirk T. Harley has been appointed to the board of advisors for the LLM in International Business Practice offered by the Center for International Legal Studies of Salzburg, Austria, and Lazarski University of Warsaw, Poland. Harley is with Childress, Duffy, Goldblatt, Ltd. in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on insurance, corporate and tort law.



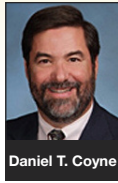
Susann "Sunny" MacLachlan (JD '94) was appointed director of the Center for Advocacy and Dispute Resolution at The John Marshall Law School in June 2010. MacLachlan oversees a program that includes more than 30 attorneys and judges serving as adjunct professors for trial advocacy and alternative dispute resolution. She served as associate director of the center for eight years, as well as director of the Externship Program.

As a clinical professor, she teaches Animal Law and Transactional Negotiation. She coached John Marshall to its fourth straight first place honor at the Animal Law Advocacy Closing Argument Competition at Harvard Law School in spring 2010.

She helped develop JD certificate programs in trial advocacy and alternative dispute resolution, and is working on a curriculum for an LLM degree in trial advocacy for 2011, with a joint JD/LLM option.

1984

Daniel T. Coyne has been appointed to the Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission by Governor Patrick T. Quinn. Coyne is a professor at Chicago-Kent College of Law in Chicago, Illinois.



Daniel T. Coyne

Donna B. Makowski has been elected president of the Women's Criminal Defense Bar Association.

Hon. Patricia W. Supergan has been appointed administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration in Oak Brook, Illinois.

1985

Kathryn A. Gallanis Matern has been elected president of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. Gallanis Matern is with Bruce Farrel Dorn & Associates in Chicago, Illinois.

Hon. Barbara A. Riley (Ret.) has joined the Law Offices of Burton A. Brown in Chicago, Illinois.

Hon. Jane L. Stuart has been honored with the "Presidential Commendation Award" by the Illinois State Bar Association. Judge Stuart is with the Circuit Court of Cook County in Chicago, Illinois.

1986

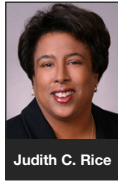
Mark E. Wojcik has been elected to the Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA) Board of Governors. Wojcik has also been elected secretary of ISBA. He is a professor at The John Marshall Law School.



Mark E. Wojcik

1988

Judith C. Rice has been appointed senior vice president and head of Community Affairs & Economic Development for Harris Bank, N.A. in Chicago, Illinois.



Judith C. Rice

1989

Jerald B. Holisky has joined Aronberg Goldgehn Davis & Garmisa in Chicago, Illinois. Holisky concentrates his practice on business transactions and banking and finance law.



Jerald B. Holisky

Hon. Jorge L. Ortiz has been honored at the First Annual Men of Vision Awards Ceremony. Judge Ortiz is with the 19th Judicial Circuit Court in Waukegan, Illinois.

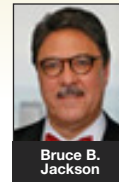


Hon. Jorge L. Ortiz

1990

Hon. Raymond A. Cavanaugh has been selected as an associate judge of the 9th Judicial Circuit Court.

Bruce B. Jackson has joined the Catholic University of America – Columbus School of Law in Washington, DC, as distinguished practitioner in residence. Jackson is also with Anthony J. Madonia & Associates Ltd in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on commercial transactions.



Bruce B. Jackson

Ricardo Meza has been honored with a "2010 Vanguard Award" by the Chicago Bar Association. Meza has also been appointed Illinois executive inspector general by Governor Patrick T. Quinn.



Ricardo Meza

Robert M. Oldershaw has joined Hamilton Miller & Birthisel in Miami, Florida. Oldershaw concentrates his practice on admiralty and maritime and personal injury defense.



Robert M. Oldershaw

L. Steven Rakowski has been appointed secretary of the Advocates Society in Chicago, Illinois. Rakowski is a sole practitioner in Northbrook, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on family law.



L. Steven Rakowski

1991

Hon. Ketki M. Steffen has been appointed judge for the Circuit Court of Cook County in Chicago, Illinois. Judge Steffen was previously a Cook County assistant state's attorney.

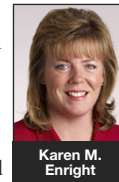
Scott D. Verhey has been named to the board of directors of the Danny Did Foundation. Verhey operates a solo practice in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on commercial litigation.



Scott D. Verhey

1992

Karen M. Enright has been elected to the Illinois State Bar Association Board of Governors. Enright is with Winters Enright Salzetta & O'Brien, LLC in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates her practice on personal injury law.



Karen M. Enright

Steven A. Hart has been assigned to the executive committee of McCambridge, Singer & Mahoney, Ltd in Chicago, Illinois, as the toxic tort practice chair.

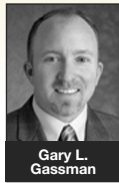


Steven A. Hart

1993

Joseph Butler, an assistant professor and co-executive director of the Veterans Legal Support Center & Clinic (VLSC) at The John Marshall Law School, was named the 2010 recipient of the Chicago Bar Foundation's Leonard Jay Schragger Award of Excellence. Butler was honored for his work with the VLSC, as well as his previous work at The John Marshall Law School Fair Housing Legal Clinic.

Gary L. Gassman has been named equity partner with Meckler, Bulger, Tilson, Marick & Pearson LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Gassman concentrates his practice on insurance coverage counseling and litigation.



Gary L. Gassman

Tracey A. Salinski has been promoted to partnership with Arnstein & Lehr, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Salinski concentrates her practice on transactions and health care law.



Tracey A. Salinski

1994

Hon. Celia G. Gamrath has been appointed judge in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois. She was previously with Schiller, DuCanto & Fleck, LLP in Chicago, Illinois.



Hon. Celia G. Gamrath

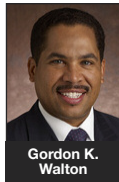
Robert L. Gamrath has been named one of The Best Lawyers in America® 2011 by Woodward/White, Inc. Gamrath is with Quarles & Brady, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on real estate law.



Robert L. Gamrath

Guy N. Maras has been re-elected secretary of the Union League Club in Chicago, Illinois. Maras is with Hennessy & Roach, PC in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on workers' compensation defense.

Gordon K. Walton has joined Meckler Bulger Tilson Marick & Pearson, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Walton concentrates his practice on insurance law.



Gordon K. Walton

1995

Daniel A. Cotter has been elected treasurer of the Chicago Bar Association. Cotter is with Lindemann, LLC in Downers Grove, Illinois.



Daniel A. Cotter

1996

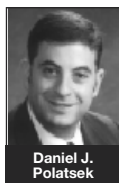
Paulette M. Gray has formed Brody & Gray, LLC in Crystal Lake, Illinois. Gray concentrates her practice on family law and financial matters.

Brian P. Kerwin has been recognized in the 2010 Chambers USA survey of the American legal professional. Kerwin is with Duane Morris, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on corporate and finance law.



Brian P. Kerwin

Daniel J. Polatsek has been elected to partnership with Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Polatsek concentrates his practice on litigation.



Daniel J. Polatsek

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Eugena Whitson-Owen has been elected treasurer of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. Whitson-Owen is with SmithAmundsen, LLC in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates her practice on construction and product liability.

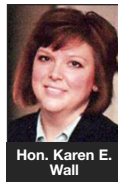


Eugena Whitson-Owen

1997

Hon. Kimberly S. Cromer has been appointed administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration in Oak Brook, Illinois.

Hon. Karen E. Wall has been selected associate judge with the 5th Judicial Circuit Court in Marshall, Illinois. Judge Wall was previously with Spiros & Wall, PC in Danville, Illinois.



Hon. Karen E. Wall

1998

Jessica Arong O'Brien (LLM '02) has been elected corresponding secretary of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. O'Brien is with the Illinois Department of Revenue in Chicago, Illinois.



Jessica Arong O'Brien

1999

Lawrence G. Almeda (LLM) has been selected as chairperson of the State Advisory Committee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights for the state of Michigan. Almeda is with Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione in Ann Arbor, and concentrates his practice on intellectual property law.



Lawrence G. Almeda

Kerry I. O'Sullivan has joined Brown & Crouppen in St. Louis, Missouri. O'Sullivan concentrates her practice on workers compensation.



Kerry I. O'Sullivan

Melissa A. Smart has been promoted to litigation manager with the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission of the Supreme Court of Illinois (ARDC) in Chicago, Illinois.

2000

Kevin M. Hull has been honored by Law Bulletin Publishing as one of the "40 Illinois Attorneys Under 40." Hull is principal at the consulting firm of Hull Partners, Ltd.



Kevin M. Hull

Sharon R. Knobbe has been elected president of the DuPage Association of Women Lawyers. Knobbe also has been elected second vice president of the DuPage County Bar Association. She is with Knobbe, Laho, Gradishar & Mack, LLC in Westmont, Illinois, and concentrates her practice on family law.



Sharon R. Knobbe

2001

Eric J. Alvine and Helen "Beth" Beatty (JD '03) were married in September 2010 in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

Michael H. Berendt has been named director of Labor Relations for Pepsi Beverage Company in Schaumburg, Illinois.

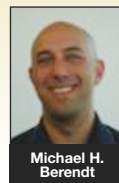
Jacqueline H. Sestito has been elected shareholder of Mallery & Zimmerman, SC in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Sestito concentrates her practice on real estate, lending and corporate transactions.

2002

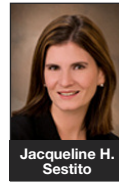
Jason J. Green has been promoted to partnership with Jenner & Block in Chicago, Illinois. Green concentrates his practice on complex commercial litigation.

Jacqueline M. Lacy has been appointed public defender of Vermilion County, Illinois. Lacy was previously an assistant public defender in DuPage County, Illinois.

Dominick L. Lanzito has been appointed to the Illinois State Bar Association Assembly. Lanzito is with Querrey & Harrow, Ltd. in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on federal litigation.



Michael H. Berendt



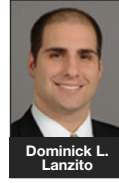
Jacqueline H. Sestito



Jason J. Green

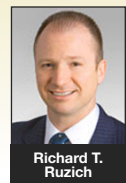


Jacqueline M. Lacy



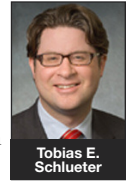
Dominick L. Lanzito

Richard T. Ruzich (LLM) has been appointed vice chair of the International Life Sciences and Health Law Committee of the American Bar Association's Section of International Law. Ruzich is with Duane Morris, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on intellectual property law.



Richard T. Ruzich

Tobias E. Schlueter has joined Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart in Chicago, Illinois. Schlueter concentrates his practice on labor and employment law.



Tobias E. Schlueter

Kristin S. Yoo has joined Cozen O'Conner in Chicago, Illinois, as a member of the General Litigation Department.

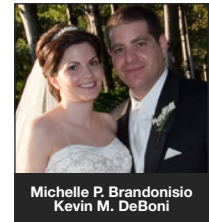


Kristin S. Yoo

Renee M. Zelinski has joined Cassidy Schade, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Zelinski concentrates her practice on medical malpractice defense litigation.

2003

Michelle P. Brandonisio married **Kevin M. DeBoni** on September 12, 2009, in Chicago, Illinois. Brandonisio is associate counsel for Shared Technologies, Inc. in Chicago and DeBoni is a Cook County assistant state's attorney.



Michelle P. Brandonisio
Kevin M. DeBoni

Kozak Heading Elder Law Program

Barry Kozak (JD '00/LLM '00) has been named director of the Elder Law Program at The John Marshall Law School. He has been serving as associate director of graduate Employee Benefits Programs and is an adjunct faculty member.

This 25-hour JD certificate program includes several basic elder law classes and a mandatory clinical experience. Kozak has been teaching elder law for five years, and has spent the previous academic year developing the curriculum and bringing in adjunct faculty. The program will be administered through the Center for Tax Law and Employee Benefits.

Kozak is an editor of the *National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys (NAELA) Journal*, and is a member of NAELA's Academic Committee. He is on the executive committee on the Section on Aging Law for the Association of American Law Schools, and is editor of *Saving Our Seniors*, a how-to manual being produced jointly by the Chicago Bar Association and ABA Young Lawyers Division to share information on offering *pro bono* elder law services.

Kozak recently completed a master's in public policy with an emphasis on public finance from the Harris School of Public Policy Studies at the University of Chicago.



Barry Kozak

Sarah R. Breitlander has been elected recording secretary of the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. Breitlander is with Vedder Price, PC in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates her practice on commercial and real estate litigation.



Sarah R. Breitlander

Bryan R. Campbell has joined Cozen O'Conner in Seattle, Washington, as a member of the Subrogation & Recovery Department.



Bryan R. Campbell

Jolanda B. Krawczyk has been honored with an Award for Excellence in Pro Bono Service by the U.S. District Court in conjunction with the Chicago Chapter of the Federal Bar Association. Krawczyk is with Michael Best & Friedrich, LLP in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates her practice on commercial and employment litigation.



Jolanda B. Krawczyk

Michael T. Roth has been honored with The John Marshall Law School 2010 "Diversity Award." Roth is the executive director of the Center for Disability and Elder Law in Chicago, Illinois.



Michael T. Roth

Daniel S. Sandman has been appointed regional director of The Anti-Defamation League in San Francisco, California. Sandman was previously director of business and legal affairs for The Tennis Channel, Inc.

2004

Michael J. Ori has been named a director of the Lake County Bar Association. Ori is with Fox Lunardi & Zeit, LLC in Waukegan, Illinois.

2005

Michael F. Bonamarte, IV has been honored by Law Bulletin Publishing as one of the "40 Illinois Attorneys Under 40." Bonamarte is with Levin & Perconti in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on personal injury and wrongful death cases.



Michael F. Bonamarte

Roman Seckel has been named the "Outstanding New Lawyer of 2010" by the Kane County Bar Association. Seckel is with Drendel & Jansons Law Group in Batavia, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on civil/commercial litigation.



Christopher P. Singer

Christopher P. Singer, PhD has joined Michael Best & Friedrich, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Singer concentrates his practice on intellectual property law.

Jeffery S. Sobek (LLM '08) has joined Legal Advantage, LLC in Chicago, Illinois as the company's Midwest Region sales director.

2006

Michael M. Fenwick has joined Stellato & Schwartz Ltd. in Chicago, Illinois.

John F. Hiltz, III has formed Hiltz & Wantuch, LLC in Chicago, Illinois. Hiltz concentrates his practice on bankruptcy law.

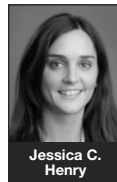
Manish K. Mehta has been elected president of the Indian-American Bar Association of Chicago. Mehta is with Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione in Chicago, Illinois, and concentrates his practice on intellectual property law.



Manish K. Mehta

2007

Jessica C. Henry has joined Anderson, Rasor & Partners, LLP as an associate. Henry concentrates her practice on medical malpractice defense litigation.



Jessica C. Henry

Kathy Wantuch (LLM '09) has formed Hiltz & Wantuch, LLC in Chicago, Illinois. Wantuch concentrates her practice on bankruptcy law.

Graciela M. Zamudio has joined Howard & Howard Attorneys, PC in Peoria, Illinois. Zamudio concentrates her practice on creditors' rights and real estate litigation.

2008

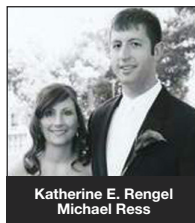
Amber M. Annis married Chris Kopechessi on October 17, 2009, in Manhattan, Illinois. Annis is with Country Financial in Bloomington, Illinois.

Dane A. Bolinger has joined Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Bolinger concentrates his practice on commercial and construction litigation.



Dane A. Bolinger

Dale R. Kurth (LLM) has joined Partridge IP Law, PC in Chicago, Illinois. Kurth concentrates his practice on intellectual property law.



Katherine E. Rengel
Michael Ress

Katherine E. Rengel married Michael Ress on October 10, 2009, in Madison, Wisconsin. Rengel is with Koepke & Hiltbrand in Springfield, Illinois.

Ryan C. Williams has joined Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC in Chicago, Illinois. Williams concentrates his practice on general litigation.



Ryan C. Williams

2009

Eric M. Anderson has joined Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Anderson concentrates his practice on general tort litigation and business disputes.



Eric M. Anderson

Jefferson A. Cheatham has joined Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz in Wilmington, Delaware. Cheatham concentrates his practice on patent litigation.



Jefferson A. Cheatham

Anthony J. D'Agostino has joined Golan & Christie LLP in Chicago, Illinois.



Anthony J. D'Agostino

Adam H. Doeringer has joined HeplerBroom, LLC in Chicago, Illinois. Doeringer concentrates his practice on toxic tort defense.



Adam H. Doeringer

James P. Driscoll has joined Efron, Efron & Yahne in Hammond, Indiana.



James P. Driscoll

Caitlin E. Groh has joined Chilton Yambert & Porter, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Groh concentrates her practice on general civil defense litigation.

Ryan J. Sullivan has joined Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP in Chicago, Illinois. Sullivan concentrates his practice on commercial litigation and business disputes.



Ryan J. Sullivan

2010

Joel Bruckman has been honored with the 2010 "Elmer C. Kissane Public Service Award" from The John Marshall Law School.



IN MEMORIAM

James T. Braendle, JD '66
 Dennis M. Cunningham, JD '71
 David N. Dailey, JD '74
 Earl A. Deutsch, JD '50
 Vernon R. Forgue, JD '50
 Rayburn A. Fricke, JD '77
 Alfred E. Gallo, JD '49
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 Lester Alan Highman, JD '80, LLM '88
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 Rosalyn B. Kaplan, JD '81
 Edward F. Kuester, JD '51
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