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10th Circuit Hears Arguments at Washburn Law

Washburn University School of Law and the Center for Excellence in Advocacy again hosted the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit, April 12, 2006, at a special session in Topeka, Kan. Arguments were held in the Robinson Courtroom and Bianchino Technology Center. The judges who presided at Washburn Law to hear oral arguments were Chief Judge Deanell Reece Tacha, Senior Judge Bobby R. Baldock and Judge Carlos F. Lucero. The Tenth Circuit previously sat at Washburn Law in October 2004.

Law students had the opportunity to attend oral arguments. The Legal Analysis Research and Writing professors incorporated the oral arguments into their class by requiring mandatory attendance at one of the hearings. Students also had the opportunity to have lunch with the judges' law clerks where they obtained inside information on clerkships and how to go about securing a clerkship position. In addition, after oral arguments were heard, students were able to attend a presentation by the judges on what they want to hear and what they look for in appellate arguments.

Annual Kuether Golf Tournament

The Annual John Kuether Memorial Golf Tournament was held April 1, 2006, at the Lake Shawnee Golf Course, Topeka, Kan. This year the tournament brought in 110 players and contributed over \$2,900 to the John Kuether Scholarship Fund. The 4-person scramble started with a continental breakfast and shotgun start at 9 a.m. and concluded with lunch after the scramble. The first place team in the championship flight consisted of Steve Tilton '88, Bob Hiatt '88, Don Reif '88 and Rusty Williams.

The first place team in the 2nd flight included students Karen Quintelier, Jody Berbermeyer, Kristen Kellems and Matt Todd. Student coordinator,



Ho Son, worked hard to make the tournament a success.

He was joined by student committee members Jody Bebermeyer, Kim Bieker, Shannelle Gunn, Shelby Grau, Ryan McGuirk, Molly McMurray, Karen Quintelier, Erin Riffey, Sheri Siemens and Jacob Sweat.



Alumni Association Awards

The Washburn University School of Law Alumni Association presented its annual awards at the Washburn Law luncheon held in conjunction with the Kansas Bar Association annual meeting in Overland Park, June 10, 2006.

The law school Alumni Association presented the Distinguished Service Award, Distinguished Alumni Award and the Honorary Life Member Award which are given annually. Duke Dupre, president of the Washburn University School of Law Alumni Association, presented the awards.

The Honorable Kay McFarland

'64, Chief Justice of the Kansas Supreme Court, received the Distinguished Alumni Award. Recipients of this award are chosen for their exceptional accomplishments in their professional, business or academic careers. Chief Justice McFarland was the first woman to be elected to a judgeship in Shawnee County, the first woman district court judge in Kansas, the first woman appointed justice of the Kansas Supreme Court and the first woman appointed Chief Justice. McFarland graduated *magna cum laude* from Washburn University with dual majors in English and History-Political Science. In 1964 she received her law degree from Washburn Law, was admitted to the Kansas Bar and entered private practice in Topeka. In 1971 she was elected judge of the probate and juvenile courts of Shawnee County.

In January 1973, she became judge of the newly created Fifth Division of the District Court in Topeka. On Sept. 19, 1977, she was appointed by the governor to be a justice of the Kansas Supreme Court and became Chief Justice of the Supreme Court on Sept 1, 1995, upon the retirement of the Hon. Richard W. Holmes.

Dupre remarked, "Chief Justice McFarland has had a professional career filled with many significant accomplishments. And so many times she was the first. Today we have the pleasure of bestowing on you our Distinguished Alumni Award."



Allan Caldwell '73, received the Distinguished Service Award for his service to Washburn Law, the legal profession and community. His service to Washburn Law includes serving on the Washburn Law School Alumni Association Board of Governors from 1993 to 2003 in various capacities including vice-president and president. He served as president of the Washburn Law School Foundation from 2003 to 2006. Caldwell established the endowed Alan and Valle Caldwell Law Scholarship during the Centennial Celebration.

Caldwell previously served as general counsel for Koch industries. He received a bachelor's degree from Evangel University and earned his law degree from Washburn Law in 1973. Caldwell was a judicial clerk for Justice J. Richard Foth of the Kansas Supreme Court before joining Koch.

Dupre stated, "I do not remember a time when Alan was not working for the betterment of our law school. And on behalf of the board of governors, let me say we will miss him, his advice and counsel, and his leadership."



Dennis R. Honabach, Dean of Washburn University School of Law received the Honorary Life Membership Award for his dedicated service to his profession, community and Washburn Law. This award is given to a non-alum. Honabach was instrumental in developing the new Washburn Law Centers for Excellence including the Business and Transactional Law Center, The Center of Excellence in Advocacy, and the Children and Family Law Center. He has also endowed the Dennis and Carol Honabach Business and Transactional Law Fund during the Centennial Celebration. Honabach will leave Washburn Law in August when he takes over as dean of the Salmon P. Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University.

Dupre stated, "During his deanship enrollment has increased 15 percent and the credentials of entering student have also increased. He led the law schools Centennial Celebration and oversaw a \$5.2 million fundraising effort to date. His tenure at Washburn Law has moved the law school forward, and thanks to his fine efforts, Washburn Law is ready for the next 100 years."



2006 Visiting Advocate

The Center for Excellence in Advocacy hosted George Barton '77 as its Visiting Advocate, Feb. 7, 2006, at Washburn Law. Barton met with students and faculty to discuss the development of a contract case, including evaluating claims, the litigation process and what it means to be a litigator. Barton also addressed the importance of effective drafting as a litigator and shared his experiences developing, litigating and winning a landmark case.

Barton graduated *magna cum laude* from Washburn Law in 1977 and is a practicing attorney in the Kansas City, Mo. area, specializing in complex commercial litigation. During the last 15 years he has devoted an extensive part of his practice to representing mineral interest owners in royalty underpayment cases against both coal producers and natural gas producers. He was lead counsel in *Rogers v. Westerman Farm Co.*, 29 P3d 887 (Colo. 2001) which culminated in an important decision by the Colorado Supreme Court and also *Reis v. Peabody Coal Company*, 997 S.W.2d 49 (Mo.App.E.D. 1999) which provided a substantial punitive damage verdict against a major coal company.

Barton is the sole shareholder of The Law Offices of George A. Barton P.C. in Kansas City, Mo.



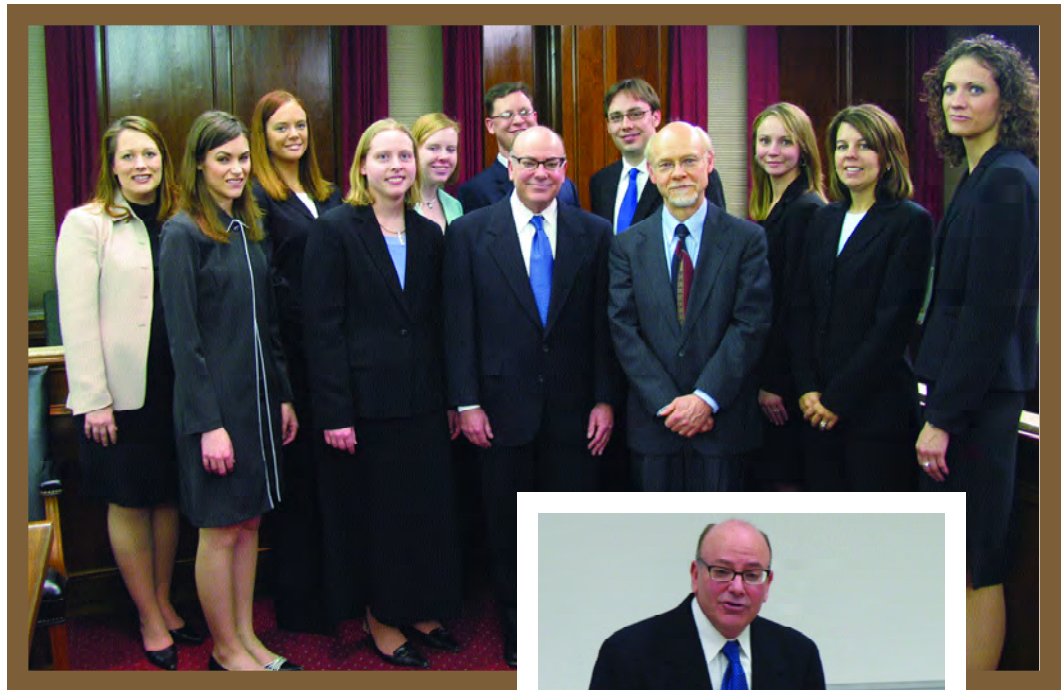
Foulston Siefkin Lecture

The 2006 Foulston Siefkin Lecture was given by Marc I. Steinberg, February 24, 2006, at Washburn University School of Law. Steinberg, the Rupert and Lillian Radford Professor of Law at Southern Methodist University, discussed "The Corporate Attorney as a 'Moving' Target: Liability and Ethical Dilemmas." Steinberg teaches in the corporate and securities law areas.

Steinberg received his J.D. from UCLA in 1975 and a LL.M. from Yale University in 1977. Following law school, Steinberg served as law clerk to Judge Stanley N. Barnes of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and as legislative counsel to U.S. Senator Robert P. Griffin. He later worked as special projects counsel and confidential legal adviser to the general counsel at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Other teaching positions prior to SMU include professor of law at the University of Maryland School of Law, visiting professor at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, visiting associate professor at the National Law Center, George Washington University, and adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center. Steinberg has lectured and consulted on company law in Australia, England, Finland, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, New Zealand, South Africa, Sweden and Taiwan. He is also a Visiting Professorial Fellow in International Securities Regulation for the Center for Commercial Law Studies at the University of London. Steinberg has authored more than 100 law review articles in addition to ten books. He is editor-in-chief of the *Securities Regulation Law Journal*, serves on the advisory boards of three other journals in the corporate and securities law area and of *The International Lawyer*. Steinberg is a member of the American Law Institute.



Megan Walawender, Angela Robinson, Pamela Burrough, Jolietta Friesen, Melissa Castillo, Ryan Farley, Professor Marc Steinberg, Roarke Gordon, Professor Myrl Duncan, Kelly-Rose Garrity, Stephanie Nall and Jenny Williams.



Each year since 1978 the Wichita law firm of Foulston Siefkin has generously sponsored the Foulston Siefkin Lecture Series. This lecture series brings a prominent legal scholar to Washburn University School of Law to challenge and enhance the legal thinking of our students and faculty. The visiting scholar delivers a lecture and also provides an article for the next volume of the *Washburn Law Journal*.