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As 2003 graduates of Baylor Law, Lauren and Shawn Golden have a deep loyalty to Baylor. “We met and fell in love at Baylor Law School, despite suffering through Practice Court together,” said the Goldens. “We likely would never have become the confident lawyers and business people we are—let alone a family—if we had not attended Baylor Law School.”

The Goldens are grateful for the many business opportunities their Baylor Law degrees have opened for them. They both began their legal careers with national law firms. Shawn then formed a general litigation practice with Baylor Lawyer, Roy Barrera III, and Lauren became General Counsel for Paramount Healthcare, her family’s healthcare company. After Lauren became CEO, Shawn joined Paramount Healthcare as General Counsel. They now work together developing, operating and managing various healthcare companies.

“We received so much, both personally and professionally, from Baylor Law School,” they said. “We are humbled to know we would never be where we are now in the absence of the many gifts we received—from God, family, friends and even strangers. Thus, it was our privilege to establish the SHAWN AND LAUREN GOLDEN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND IN LAW to support others working towards similar goals.”

“Giving is one way of acknowledging that others have paved the way for our advancements,” said the Goldens. “We certainly hope to show Madison, McKinley and Monroe that giving is a legacy that lives long after we leave our place here on earth.”

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Baylor Law.
A Message from
Dean Toben
We are deeply grateful for each of our Baylor Lawyers and friends who have thoughtfully established endowed scholarships at Baylor Law School. The generosity and stewardship of our scholarship donors is a never-ending blessing.

As a result of the abundant generosity of our alumni and friends, Baylor Law’s endowment is thriving. According to the American Bar Association (ABA) Section on Legal Education data, the Baylor Law endowment stands at 28th overall among the 204 ABA accredited law schools. While we are encouraged that 78 percent of our students receive scholarship assistance (according to the most recent ABA 509 report, 5 percent receive full-tuition scholarships, 36 percent receive half-tuition or more scholarships, and 37 percent receive less than half-tuition scholarships), our work is not done until we matriculate all of our Baylor Law students on full or substantial scholarships.

This issue of Docket Call honors those who have established an endowed scholarship in our donor roll call. You also will hear from many of the students who have found themselves at Baylor Law as a direct result of our endowed scholarship resources.

You will enjoy learning about Carrie Foster, a student at Baylor Law through the Ralph and Josephine Norvell Endowed Scholarship Fund. Professor Jim Underwood is featured in our faculty profile. Professor Underwood teaches Business Litigation, Complex Litigation and Torts I and II. Our adjunct faculty profile features healthcare law specialist Pat Souter of Gray, Reed & McGraw, P.C., in Dallas.

Also in this issue, we introduce our new Executive LL.M. in Litigation Management, a degree program uniquely designed for experienced litigators who wish to expand their business expertise.

We feature pictures from the annual Baylor Law Alumni Reunion Weekend. We thoroughly enjoyed seeing many of you at Alumni Weekend this year and introducing you to Baylor’s 15th president, Linda A. Livingstone, Ph.D. Reunion weekend is always a highly anticipated time of fellowship.

Thank you—Baylor Lawyers, friends, faculty and staff colleagues—for your continued support of our endeavors. We would not be where we are today without your commitment and generosity of time, talents, and resources.

Wishing you abundant blessings in 2018,

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“So because of your kindness, I am able to pursue a dream.
As a first generation American, this is an opportunity that I do not take lightly. I am eager to continue the Baylor Law tradition of service. Thank you and may God bless you.”

Pablo Martinez
THE DON JACKSON SCHOLARSHIP
Baylor Law School is honored to recognize Sherri W. and Robert “Bobby” L. Patton of Fort Worth for their $2 million gift that will enhance the legal writing and pro bono programs in the nationally ranked Baylor Law School. Their gift will help underwrite two programs that already distinguish Baylor Law among its peers while also providing student scholarship assistance.

A Truly Remarkable Gift

In memory of Charles E. Wallace
Established in honor of Sherri Wallace Patton’s father, the Charles E. Wallace Endowed Fund for Legal Writing will support programming in Baylor Law School’s Legal Writing Center that encourages excellence in legal writing. The Sherri W. and Robert L. Patton Jr. Endowed Fund for Pro Bono Clinics and Programs will provide overall support for the award-winning pro bono clinics and initiatives at Baylor Law School. Additionally, the Pattons’ gift will enhance the Charles and Sandra Wallace Endowed Scholarship Fund in Law.

The Pattons’ gift will also enable Baylor Law School to move the Baylor Law Review offices into a proximate area of the Legal Writing Center and to convert and repurpose the former Baylor Law Review offices into a larger Pro Bono Clinic in order to serve their growing list of clients. Baylor Law School’s pro bono and public service programs include a Veterans’ Assistance Clinic, Deferred Action Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Immigration Clinic, Adoption Day and The People’s Law School, a free half-day program designed to educate the public about their legal rights and to make the law user-friendly. The expanded Pro Bono Clinic will house a clinic director, client counseling rooms, and space for the Law School’s pro bono litigation team and pro bono transaction team.

The Patton’s gift also provides generous scholarship assistance to deserving Baylor Law students.

“In making this truly remarkable gift, Sherri and Bobby Patton are stepping forward as champions of excellence in legal education and advocates for Baylor University’s mission to make a difference in the world,” said Baylor President Linda A. Livingstone. “As one of the oldest law schools in Texas, Baylor Law School has a proud tradition of producing graduates who are equipped for success and inspired to serve, and this gift will strengthen our ongoing efforts on both fronts.”

“Baylor Law School has a long history of developing men and women who have the character, maturity, skills, and values needed to assume leadership positions in a profession charged with responsibility for maintaining and improving our nation’s system of justice,” said Brad Toben, dean of Baylor Law School. “From the outset of their time with us, we help our students understand and embrace becoming servant leaders. Sherri and Bobby Patton’s gift will demonstrably advance our students’ experience, widen their perspectives, and assist them financially through scholarship support.”

Sherri Wallace Patton graduated from Baylor University in 1984 with a bachelor of science in interior design. She subsequently studied at the Southern Methodist University Deadman School of Law, where she earned a juris doctor in 1988. She retired from a successful career in law that included serving as an assistant district attorney in Dallas.

Robert “Bobby” Louis Patton Jr. earned a bachelor of business administration from the University of Texas, a juris doctor degree from St. Mary’s University and a master of laws from Southern Methodist University. He operates oil and gas properties and has holdings in insurance, real estate, and other sectors, including co-owning the Los Angeles Dodgers. The Pattons have two children, Robert and Rachel Patton.

In appreciation of the Pattons’ gift, the courtyard entrance of Baylor Law School’s Sheila and Walter Umphrey Law Center will be designated the Charles E. Wallace Courtyard. After earning a bachelor of business administration from Baylor in 1955, Charles E. Wallace graduated from Baylor Law School in 1960 and went on to have a distinguished legal career as a partner in the Waco law firm Wallace and Smith, which later became Wallace, Fisher and Neville. During his studies at Baylor Law, he served on the editorial board of the Baylor Law Review. In memory of Charles E. Wallace, friends and family established the Charles E. and Sandra L. Wallace Endowed Scholarship Fund which has been assisting students financially for many years.

Like her father, Sherri Patton’s mother, Sandra Stoesser Wallace of Fort Worth, is a Baylor graduate, earning a bachelor of arts in education in 1959. Sherri’s brother, Scott Charles Wallace, followed in their footsteps earning a bachelor of business administration in 1988 from Baylor and a juris doctor in 1991 from Baylor Law School, as well as a master of laws in 1995 from Boston University.

“Baylor has been very important to our entire extended family, and Bobby and I wanted to honor my father and mother, in particular, with this gift. Baylor Law School had a tremendous impact on my father and, consequently, on me,” Sherri Patton said. “Having the courtyard named after my father is especially meaningful in that it combines both of my parents’ interests—my mother’s appreciation of nature and my father’s commitment to the law school that provided the foundation for his professional career. We welcomed this opportunity to help people and to advance the legal profession.”

PHOTO ABOVE
Sherri Patton (middle) with her parents, Charles and Sandra Wallace at Sherri’s Texas State Bar Induction Ceremony in November 1988.
Baylor Law School is excited to announce a new master of laws degree, the Executive LL.M. in Litigation Management.
The Executive LL.M. in Litigation Management directly addresses a critical problem in the legal field and a gap in legal education: how to strategically manage litigation to control the continued escalation of litigation costs. The legal profession is facing many challenges in the delivery of affordable legal services, particularly regarding litigated matters.

A recent report from the 2014 American Bar Association Task Force on the Future of Legal Education emphasizes that the core purpose common to all law schools is “to prepare individuals to provide legal and related services in a professionally responsible fashion.” However, the report also stresses the need to do more: “The balance between doctrinal instruction and focused preparation for the delivery of legal services needs to shift still further toward developing the competencies and professionalism required of people who will deliver services to clients.”

“Lawyers in sophisticated litigation are usually excellent lawyers. But where they haven’t always done a great job, and where legal education has been deficient, is in figuring out how to deliver litigation results economically,” said Jim Wren, JD ’80, professor of law. “Baylor Law does a great job, the best in the nation in my view, preparing young lawyers for trying cases. But even here, with our emphasis on preparing trial lawyers, we have traditionally not taught them about managing the economics of litigation. This program will fix that.”

The Goal

National and International Leadership

“The program will be competitive and unique as there is no other program like it; this is the first of its kind,” said Liz Fraley, JD ’88, assistant professor of law. “We’re addressing a key issue both for clients and for attorneys: how to manage complex and expensive litigation in a way that is both cost-effective and goal-oriented.”

The LL.M. degree program will pioneer a new sector of legal education. No other law school in the nation has sought to specifically address litigation management. The timing for the launch of this degree will allow Baylor to take the national lead in addressing the litigation management sphere. Baylor Law’s established expertise in litigation partnered with a new layer of research and specialization provides an opportunity for Baylor Law to step into national and international leadership in litigation management.
Admission Criteria

The Executive LL.M. in Litigation Management targets the following:

- General counsel managing outside litigation dockets and firms
- Attorneys who want to transition to general counsel roles
- Innovative firms providing direct consumer litigation services
- Plaintiff firms working on contingent fees for whom large-scale litigation efficiency is crucial
- Traditional firms seeking competitive advantage in producing more effective and efficient litigation results for institutional clients

The program is designed for candidates who have at least three years of legal experience beyond graduation from law school.

“You are in a better position to hear, understand, and appreciate the economics of litigation once you’ve had practical experience with it. By having more experienced lawyers in the program, they will have a better framework and context and get a richer experience,” Fraley said. “They’ll have a much better background for not only the theory, but how to adapt it into their practice or a better employment opportunity. Whether it’s moving into a general counsel’s office or bidding on more complex litigation, this program can be a stepping stone.”

“Everything is being designed for attorneys who are already handling litigation, who want to expand their competitiveness,” Wren added.

The Faculty

Professor Jim Wren is the creative drive behind the Executive LL.M. Over the last three years, he has dedicated countless hours to bring the program to life. Professor Liz Fraley is currently working closely with Professor Wren on course design, including both the selection of curriculum module topics and selection of national experts who will be invited to participate in course instruction. Placing course design responsibility on two faculty members, who will work with a small team of additional faculty, was done with the intent of bringing coherence and consistency to the program.

Other faculty teaching modules include Professors Gerald Powell, Jeremy Counseller, Rory Ryan, Jim Underwood, Mike Morrison, and Laura Hernández, as well as Baylor Law’s Jurist in Residence, U.S. District Court Judge Ed Kinkeade.

“Liz and I are talking almost every day to people from around the nation who are the cream of the crop and who are already doing [litigation management] well. This isn’t just some abstract theory of ours. We’re not re-inventing the wheel. We’re going out there and finding the people doing various aspects in the very best way and we’re bringing them in. It’s going to be a melting pot of the best of practices out there,” Wren said.
The Takeaway

As the Baylor Law Mission states, “The Baylor School of Law has a particular obligation to develop students—to assume leadership positions in a profession charged with responsibility for maintaining and improving our nation’s system of justice.” This mission necessitates Baylor Law use its depth of expertise in training attorneys for litigation to meet the tangible need for a solution to the crippling cost of litigation today.

“We believe the graduates of the program will leave with an agile sense of both the business and the strategy of litigation,” Fraley said. “They will be more sophisticated legal consumers themselves (if they are in a general counsel’s office), or they will be equipped to deliver a real cutting-edge product that blends professionalism and common business sense.”

“We want them walking out of here with an understanding of the practical ‘how-to’ for best practices in litigation,” Wren said. “This includes how to deliver an individual case and how to deliver a docket of cases successfully and cost-effectively, which typically means delivering excellent results rapidly and at a predictable cost.”

With benefits apparent for both prospective students and the school as a whole, the launch of the Executive LL.M. in Litigation Management is eagerly awaited. Stay tuned as Baylor Law prepares to welcome the inaugural class in Fall 2018.
Baylor Law Graduates
Serving in Judicial Clerkships

Baylor Law extends a heartfelt thank you to the judges who provide Baylor Law students and recent graduates with judicial clerkship opportunities.

Baylor Law’s 2016 graduating class ranked 19th in the nation according to Law.com for law schools with the highest percentage of graduates in federal clerkships.

Baylor Law’s 2015 class ranked 21st in the nation according to Business Insider.

Baylor Lawyers serving as judicial clerks for 2017-2018:

Kyle Beckrich
Hon. Gray H. Miller
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas Houston

Elizabeth Brabb
Justice Phil Johnson
The Supreme Court of Texas Austin

Parker Burns
Hon. David Counts
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas Midland – Odessa

Casey Cashion
Hon. Ed Kinkeade
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas Dallas

Tori Ford
Hon. David Newell
The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Austin

Sarah Holub
Hon. Robert A. Junell
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas Midland – Odessa

Dan Hopper
Hon. Christopher B. Latham
U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of California San Diego

Millie Lierman
Hon. Christine A. Nowak
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas Sherman

Monica Litle
Hon. Amos L. Mazzant III
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas Sherman

Anthony Lucisano
Hon. Thomas M. Reavley
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit Houston

Christopher Ratway
Hon. Rodney Gilstrap
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas Marshall

Ross Reyes
Hon. Amos L. Mazzant III
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas Sherman

Maria de la Torre
Hon. Marcia A. Crone
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas Beaumont
Baylor President Linda Livingstone conferred 34 juris doctor degrees on July 29, 2017. Associate Dean Leah Jackson Teague, JD ’85, led the ceremony. Professor Rory Ryan, JD ’03, delivered the commencement speech, and Professors Bridget Fuselier, JD ’98, and David Guinn, JD ’63, hooded the graduates. Highest-ranking student, Daniel Hopper, delivered the student address, and Matthew Johns was selected by the class to deliver the invocation.
Baylor Law
Students are Committed to Public Service

The Fall 2017 entering class served the Waco community by partnering with Caritas, a local non-profit organization dedicated to providing urgent support to people in need and Keep Waco Beautiful, an organization committed to make Waco a cleaner, healthier, safer, and more beautiful place to live.

**Summit Cup Mock Trial Competition**
Lauren Livingston and William McMichael were awarded the Most Professional Team Award in the Summit Cup Mock Trial Competition.

**Married at Baylor Law**
With her classmates as bridesmaids, 2017 Baylor Law graduate Melina Tabibian was married at the Law School to Ben Bales by Justice Jan Patterson, Baylor Law’s justice in residence.

**#OnlyAtBaylorLaw**
Dog days are not only reserved for the summer. Law School students brought their favorite canine companions to the back lawn of the Law School to enjoy an afternoon of great weather.

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**Dawson and Sodd Moot Court Competition**
David Crampton and Andrew Martinez won the Fall 2017 Dawson and Sodd Moot Court competition.

**FINALISTS:**
Reid Spiller and Sahil Nooruddin

**TOP SPEAKERS:**
David Crampton  Vaibhavi Parmar
Max Brown       Lincoln Floyd
Emily Harding   Sam Scott
Claire Mosley   Reid Spiller
Shea Umphrey    Tim Delabar

**FINAL ROUND JUDGES**
CHIEF JUSTICE: Hon. Jeffrey Cureton, JD ’93, U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Texas

**LEAD Counsel Hurricane Relief**
Baylor Law’s LEAD Counsel partnered with Lone Star Legal Aid, the Salvation Army, and the Waco Navy to collect monetary donations and supplies for displaced Hurricane Harvey victims.

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**Profile of the Fall 2017 Entering Class**

- 86 ENROLLED
- RESIDENCY
  - 58 IN-STATE RESIDENTS
  - 28 OUT-OF-STATE RESIDENTS
  - 63 ANGLO OR CAUCASIAN
  - 23 MINORITY STUDENTS (27%)
    - 4 AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKAN NATIVE
    - 6 ASIAN
    - 2 BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN
    - 11 HISPANIC/LATINO
  - 45 FEMALES  41 MALES
- ETHNICITY
- STATES REPRESENTED
  - 1 ALABAMA
  - 2 CALIFORNIA
  - 1 COLORADO
  - 1 FLORIDA
  - 3 ILLINOIS
  - 1 INDIANA
  - 1 KANSAS
  - 1 MISSOURI
  - 1 NORTH CAROLINA
  - 1 NEBRASKA
  - 1 NEW JERSEY
  - 2 NEW MEXICO
  - 2 NEVADA
  - 1 NEW YORK
  - 1 OHIO
  - 2 OKLAHOMA
  - 2 OREGON
  - 59 TEXAS
  - 1 UTAH
  - 1 VIRGINIA
  - 2 WYOMING
- MEDIAN LSAT/GPA .......... 160/3.6
  - 25% LSAT/GPA .......... 158/3.43
  - 75% LSAT/GPA .......... 161/3.73

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Carrie Foster served 10 years in the public education system as a teacher, teacher trainer, and assistant principal prior to attending Baylor Law. “Through these positions, I faced legal issues on a daily basis,” said Foster. “I realized I enjoyed this aspect of my job, so with the support of my family and fiancé, I decided to go back to school.”

Foster, recipient of the Ralph and Josephine Norvell Endowed Scholarship Fund in Law, said the scholarship allowed her to achieve her lifelong goal of attending law school. “Leaving a full-time career to go back to school is daunting, especially considering the financial implications,” she said. “I might not have decided to attend law school if I had not received the scholarship.”

Foster commutes to Waco from Austin multiple times a week, and as a result, has to find ways to divide her time between personal life and education. “Balancing law school and life in general is a challenge, but I use the hour and a half drive to recharge,” she said. “During the commute, I listen to my outlines, legal podcasts, music, or make phone calls to my fiancé, family, and friends.”

Foster has been pleasantly surprised by the number of non-traditional students at Baylor Law. “I have met some amazing and inspirational people in my time here,” she said. “Baylor Law creates a varied student body through which students learn from their peers.”

After graduation, Foster hopes to enter private practice. She plans to pursue either transactional or litigation practice. “Throughout my time at Baylor Law, I have had several opportunities to try each of these areas,” she said. “I participated in Professor Elizabeth Miller’s Business Law Boot Camp, an experience I strongly recommend, and I explored litigation through an internship in Austin with several Baylor Lawyers at Wiesbart Springer Hayes, LLP.”

“Attending Baylor Law has been one of the greatest blessings in my life, and I will always be thankful to my donors for the opportunity to pursue the degree of my dreams,” Foster said. “I feel like I will be able to ‘hit the ground running’ when I graduate and give back to the Baylor Law family.”
1970’s

Ike Vanden Eykel, JD ’73, managing shareholder and CEO of KoonsFuller in Dallas, was named to the 2018 edition of The Best Lawyers in America for family law. He was named a 2017 Texas Super Lawyer, Top 10 Attorneys in Texas for the third year in a row, Top 100 Attorneys in Texas, and Top 100 DFW Attorneys. He also received the 2017 Alumni Achievement Award from Drake University, his undergraduate institution. Vanden Eykel is the president-elect of the Baylor Law Alumni Association.

Thomas A. Forbes, JD ’75, partner in Kemp Smith LLP’s Public and Environmental Law Department was named the 2017 Government Relations Practice Lawyer of the Year for Austin by The Best Lawyers in America. Forbes also has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers of America from 2007 to 2017.

Marilea Lewis, JD ’78, of Orsinger, Nelson, Downing & Anderson, LLP in Dallas, was selected to the 2018 edition of The Best Lawyers in America for family law. She also was named as a Texas Super Lawyer for the sixth year.

Stephen A. Madsen, JD ’75, of Cantey Hanger in Fort Worth, was named to the 2017 Texas Super Lawyers list for general litigation.

Carmen Eiker, JD ’78, of Carrington Coleman LLP in Dallas, was selected to the 2018 edition of The Best Lawyers in America for family law. She also was selected as a 2017 Texas Super Lawyer.

1980’s

Hank Judin, JD ’80, was elected to his third term as director of the Texas Association of Specialty Courts.

Fred Adams, Jr., JD ’81, of KoonsFuller in Dallas, was named as a Texas Super Lawyer for family law.

John D. Penn, JD ’82, a partner in the Dallas and New York offices of Perkins Coie LLP, was selected to the 2018 edition of The Best Lawyers in America for bankruptcy and creditor debtor rights/insolvency and reorganization law as well as in litigation - bankruptcy. Penn has been selected for inclusion in Best Lawyers of America since 2003. He also was named to be the next firm-wide chair of the bankruptcy and restructuring practice group.

1990’s

Bryan O. Blevins Jr., JD ’90, of Provost Umphrey Law Firm, LLP in Beaumont, was named as a Texas Super Lawyer for the 15th year. He also was recently interviewed for Law360’s Plaintiff’s Bar Perspective. Blevins is a past president of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association.

Glenn W. Cunningham, JD ’90, of the Law Offices of Glenn W. Cunningham in San Antonio, Texas, is the current president-elect of the of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association (TTLA). He was elected to serve as president of TTLA for 2018.

Christopher W. Martin, JD ’90, of Martin, Disiere, Jefferson & Wisdom, LLP in Houston, received the Oakland R. Walker American Inn of Court 2017 Attorney Professionalism Award.

Hon. Scott A. Bryant, JD ’91, was appointed a Federal Administrative Law Judge in the Office of Disability Adjudication and Review for the U.S. Social Security Administration. Prior to this appointment, he served as a trial attorney for the Office of International Affairs, Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice.

John L. “Lin” McCraw, JD ’91, of the McCraw Law Group in McKinney, Texas, is the current president of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association (TTLA). McCraw previously served as legislative vice president of the TTLA.

Matt Anderson, JD ’94, of Munck Wilson Mandala in Dallas, was named a 2017 Texas Super Lawyer for intellectual property law.

Andy Payne, JD ’94, of PayneMitchell Law Group in Dallas, was selected to the 2018 edition of The Best Lawyers in America.

Todd Ramsey, JD ’96, of PayneMitchell Law Group in Dallas, was selected to the 2018 edition of The Best Lawyers in America.

Lucy Ortiz Wilke, JD ’96, was elected District Attorney for the 216th Judicial District of Texas (Kerr and Gillespie counties). Wilke took office January 1, 2017. Prior to that, she was a felony prosecutor for the 216th Judicial District for 20 years.

Professor Bridget Fuselier, JD ’98, of Baylor Law School, received the Colonel Bryan S. Spencer Award by the State Bar of Texas Military & Veterans Law Section. This award is presented each year to a Texas attorney whose efforts throughout the preceding year best exemplify Colonel Spencer’s legacy through the unselfish provision of legal assistance to Armed Forces personnel from or stationed in Texas and to Texas’ Veterans, or whose efforts in encouraging, assisting, and supporting other attorneys in doing the same is particularly noteworthy.

Richard E. Stanley, Jr., JD ’99, of Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP in Indianapolis, Indiana, was elected to the firm’s partnership. Stanley is a member of Taft’s Intellectual Property and Litigation groups and focuses on patent prosecution and litigation in the mechanical and electrical arts.
Baylor Law thanks the alumni who graciously hosted Baylor Lawyer events:

**DALLAS BAYLOR LAWYER NETWORK RECEPTION**
**October 24, 2017**
Hosted by Andy Payne, JD ’94, and Todd Ramsey, JD ’96, of PayneMitchell Law Group, LLP.

**BEAUMONT BAYLOR LAWYER RECEPTION**
**November 2, 2017**
Hosted at the home of Judge Bob, JD ’74, and Karen Wortham.

**TYLER BAYLOR LAWYER RECEPTION**
**November 7, 2017**
Hosted by Allen Gardner, JD ’04, Gil Gillam, JD ’80, Traci Kenner, JD ’87, John Minton, JD ’56, Nicole Mitchell, JD ’06, Melissa Smith, JD ’97 and Andy Tindel, JD ’82.

**AUSTIN BAYLOR LAWYER NETWORK RECEPTION**
**November 9, 2017**
Hosted by the Baylor Lawyers of the Austin office of Jackson Walker LLP: Marilyn Montano Brown, JD ’04, Kimberly Gdula, JD ’08, Monte James, JD ’92, Jack Skaggs, JD ’05, Michael Roberts, JD ’12, and Scott Weatherford, JD ’11.

To submit your alumni note for publication, please send your professional accomplishment to Berkley Knas at Berkley_Knas@baylor.edu.
Out & About

Dick Naylor, JD ’56 and Dean Brad Toben, JD ’77

Associate Dean Leah Jackson Teague, JD ’85, and Andrew Tuegel, JD ’10

Colin Powell, JD ’14, and Kyle Knaus, JD ’14

Dick Tye, JD ’89, and Professor David Guinn, JD ’63

Shilvali Sharma, JD ’05, and Michelle Simpson Tuegel, JD ’10

SEPTEMBER 22–23
ALUMNI WEEKEND
Baylor Lawyers representing classes 1952 to 2017 gathered for the 8th Annual Baylor Law Alumni Weekend. Events included a luncheon honoring the 50th Year Baylor Lawyers, Sustaining Lifetime Members of the Baylor Law Alumni Association, and the Executive Committee of the Association; Meet and Greet with President Livingstone; CLE led by Lewis Sifford, JD ’72; dinner at George’s; and Burgers and Blue Bell prior to the BU vs. OU football game.
Matthew Cordon
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS
- "Researching Texas Law, Co-author (forthcoming, 4th ed.)
- "American Law Yearbook 2017, Contributing author and editor (forthcoming)

PRESENTATIONS
- "Training the Solo Practitioner: Lessons from Legal Mapmaker,” Rocky Mountain Legal Writing Conference, Phoenix, AZ (April 2017)

Thomas M. Featherston, Jr.
The Mills Cox Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS

PRESENTATIONS
- "Community Property for Common-Law Lawyers," American College of Trust and Estate Counsel's Rocky Mountain Regional Meeting, Austin, TX (September 2017)
- "The 21st Century Trust: An Evolving Concept," State Bar of Texas’ Advanced Estate Planning and Probate Course, Houston, TX, (June 2017)
- "Marital Property Issues in Estate Planning and Administration," Corpus Christi Estate Planning Council’s Annual Estate Planning Seminar, Corpus Christi, TX, (May 2017)
- "Texas Marital Property Law for Estate Planning and Administration," Austin Bar Association’s Annual Estate Planning and Probate Section All-Day CLE, Austin, TX, (May 2017)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Senior Editor, Probate & Property, published six times a year by the Real Property, Trust and Estate Law Section of American Bar Association
- Member, Publications and CIE Committees of the ABA’s Real Property, Trust and Estate Law Section
- Member, Legislative Review Committee, Real Estate, Probate and Trust Law Section, State Bar of Texas

Scott Fraley
Director of Legal Writing

PUBLICATIONS
- A Practical Guide to Litigation Drafting: the Art and Craft, Cognella (Fall 2017)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Member and Co-chair, AALS Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research Program Committee (2017-18)
- Member, ALWD Annual Conference Program Committee (2017)

Bridget Fuselier
Professor of Law and Executive Director of the Baylor Law School Veterans Clinic

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
- 2017-2018 Baylor Fellow
- Member, State Bar of Texas Disciplinary Rules Committee
- Contributor, General Practice Digest

Laura A. Hernández
Professor of Law

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Latina Commissioner, Hispanic National Bar Association

Jill W. Lens
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Joint Editorial Board, Uniform Unincorporated Organizations Acts, Uniform Law Commission and American Bar Association
- Editorial Board, The Business Lawyer, quarterly journal of the Business Law Section of the American Bar Association
- Chair, Editorial Board of Publications of the LLCs, Partnerships and Unincorporated Entities Committee of the Business Law Section of the American Bar Association
- Member, Business Organizations Code Committee of the Business Law Section of the State Bar of Texas
- ABA Advisor, Drafting Committee, Series of Unincorporated Business Entities Act, National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws
- Elected Member, American Law Institute

Michael Morrison
Professor of Law

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Contributing Editor, Defamation and Invasion of Privacy, Texas Association of Defense Counsel Professional Newsletters/Caselaw Updates
- Member, Board of Directors, The Forum for Education Abroad
- Member, Board of Directors, Texas Association of Defense Counsel
- Vice President of Programs, Texas Association of Defense Counsel
- Chair, Texas Association of Defense Counsel’s committee, Evaluating and Expedited Trials
- Participant, Texas Conference of Chief Justices, National Center for State Courts, and the Texas Office of Court Administration study to evaluate the impact and effectiveness of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure governing expedited actions

Elizabeth Miller
Professor of Law

PUBLICATIONS
- Model Company Agreements, 26th Annual LLCs, LPs and Partnerships, University of Texas School of Law (July 13, 2017)
- Case Law Update: A Survey of Recent Texas Partnership and LLC Cases, 26th Annual LLCs, LPs and Partnerships, University of Texas School of Law (July 13, 2017)
- The Walking Dead: Forfeitures and Involuntary Terminations of Filing Entities, 15th Annual Choice, Governance & Acquisition of Entities Course, State Bar of Texas (May 19, 2017)

Michael Rogers
Professor of Law

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES
- Director, McLennan County Dispute Resolution Center
- Board Member, McLennan County Dispute Resolution Center
- Chair, Baylor’s NCAA Pro Sports Counseling Panel
Adjunct Faculty Profile

Pat Souter is a Baylor alumnus through and through—he received an undergraduate degree from Baylor University’s Hankamer School of Business and a law degree from Baylor Law School. He now serves as an adjunct faculty member for both Hankamer and Baylor Law.

When Baylor Law asked me to teach a class on healthcare law 22 years ago, I did not think twice about accepting,” said Souter. “The opportunity allowed me to give back to Baylor as well as serve as a mentor to students, like that of what my mentor, Andrew Meyercord, provided to me. I started off teaching one class at the Law School, but as the healthcare industry evolved, I started teaching multiple classes at Baylor Law and at Hankamer.”

Souter teaches Healthcare Law, Healthcare Fraud and Abuse, and Regulation of Healthcare Professionals at Baylor Law. At Hankamer, Souter teaches Business Law and Healthcare Law in the Executive MBA Program and Healthcare Law and Ethics in the full-time MBA program. “I value the classroom experience with the students,” said Souter. “Class discussions will result in debates that far exceed the pages of a textbook or a court’s opinion, providing an interesting perspective on how society views healthcare in this country that you do not get from the practice of law.”

Outside of his heavy teaching load, Souter is of counsel at Gray Reed & McGraw LLP in Dallas. He is board certified in health law and has co-authored two books, Physician Law Evolving Trends and Hot Topics 2017 and Representing Physicians, Fourth Edition.

He is involved in the Dallas Bar Association, American Health Lawyers Association, and the Texas Health Lawyers Association, where he served as president in 2017. Souter also is working on his LL.M. in healthcare law. “I am able to balance the practice of law, teaching courses for Baylor, and finishing an LL.M. due to the assistance and understanding of my colleagues at Gray Reed & McGraw and at Baylor,” he said. “I could not do it without my wife, Lori. Her unwavering support allows me to balance the time it takes to have a law practice and teach at Baylor because she knows how much I enjoy it.”

Pat Souter is a Baylor alumnus through and through—he received an undergraduate degree from Baylor University’s Hankamer School of Business and a law degree from Baylor Law School. He now serves as an adjunct faculty member for both Hankamer and Baylor Law.
After graduation, Underwood clerked for the late Hon. Jerry Buchmeyer, of the United States District Court for the North District of Texas. He spent ten years with Thompson & Knight LLP in their Dallas and Houston offices, serving as a partner for five years. He then spent four years as partner with Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLP in Dallas. His caseload included medical malpractice representation and various complexities within commercial litigation, in addition to pro bono representation of defendants in federal prosecutions. While practicing, Underwood authored several books within the fields of torts and complex litigation.

After fourteen years of practice, Underwood transitioned to academia at Baylor where he teaches Torts, Business Torts, Complex Litigation, and Appellate Advocacy & Procedure. He received Baylor University’s 2008-09 Outstanding Faculty Award for Teaching.

“I have one of the best jobs in the world because I get to work with enthusiastic young people who are eager to learn the craft of being a legal professional,” he said. “Getting to constantly know new students, with varied backgrounds, experiences, and personalities, helps keep the job fresh.”

Underwood strives to translate the experiences he gained while practicing law to the classroom. “The law in its raw form is challenging enough,” Underwood said. “My goal continues to be to invite the students to thoughtful consideration, offer numerous practice problems, and demonstrate how the law actually impacts the lives of real people.”

In addition to teaching, he writes textbooks for each of his courses. “I have published four textbooks since arriving at Baylor that have each been designed to be more inviting to student readers rather than the traditional, unedited casebook style,” he said.

Baylor plays a significant role in the Underwood family. “My oldest son, Travis, and his wife, Lindsey, graduated from Baylor Law in 2016,” he said. “My middle son, Tyler, graduated from Baylor with a degree in mathematics, and recently took the LSAT—so yet another Underwood Baylor Lawyer may emerge. My youngest son, Tanner, is an avid Baylor fan. He suffered a severe traumatic brain injury five years ago and has had to re-learn essential tasks such as how to walk and talk. He has worked hard to graduate from high school. My brother, Bill Underwood, taught at Baylor Law for fourteen years, and my niece, Jessica Underwood, graduated from Baylor Law in 2014.”

“During my twelve years at Baylor Law, I am continuously grateful for the enthusiastic support from Baylor Lawyers,” he said. “Baylor Law could not continue to offer excellence in legal education—which is expensive—without the tremendous support from our alumni and friends who provide generous scholarships to our students.”

“These financial gifts have helped Baylor Law maintain high standards during recent troubling times in the legal profession. While most law schools have cut their staff and faculty and reduced academic programs, Baylor Law has surged forward. We have expanded the size of our faculty and staff and have offered new programming. None of this would be possible without the enthusiastic support of our alumni.”
Gov. Mark Wells White Jr., JD ’62, was born on March 17, 1940 and passed away Aug. 5, 2017. He received a bachelor of arts degree in business administration from Baylor University in 1962 and juris doctor degree, also from Baylor, in 1965.

Early in his career, White served Texas as an assistant attorney general. Later, he was appointed Secretary of State, and in 1977 was elected president of the National Association of the Secretaries of State. In 1978, he won the election for Texas Attorney General. He was elected chairman of the Southern Conference of Attorneys General in 1981.

White served as Texas Governor from 1983 to 1987, the first of the post-World War II generation to hold the position of governor in Texas. His primary goal was to build the best educational system that the mind of man could devise.

After the help of committed colleagues, Gov. White saw Bill 72 became law. Teacher salaries increased, class sizes decreased and, in many ways, educational priorities shifted from where the money was to where the students were. Standard test scores moved upwards. New initiatives and policies encompassing everything from pre-schooling to curriculum were brought under the umbrella of change.

Despite losing re-election in 1986, White left his mark. Texas universities continue to honor the importance of research so emphasized by him. Texans travel safer following his seat belt law and advice that "a click of the seatbelt is your best insurance." He modernized the Texas highway system from a "farm to market network" to a super-paved grid supporting economic growth as well as creating the anti-litter campaign, "Don’t Mess with Texas."

After his time in public office, White returned to the practice of law at Reynolds, White, Allen & Cook. A few years later, he left to put his entrepreneurial talents to the test, founding Geovox Security to sell the Heartbeat Detector, a product still in use protecting the borders of England, France, Spain, and China by detecting people hiding in fully-loaded tractor-trailers.

White devoted himself to charities and worthwhile causes. He took every opportunity to speak out for the important role that MD Anderson, UT Health, and Baylor College of Medicine play in leading the healthcare of Texas. He championed the importance of Texas history, including protecting the aging USS Texas battleship.

White’s abiding Christian faith will take him to his next great adventure. He was a Baptist and a Baylor man.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Linda Gale Thompson White, sons Mark III and Andrew, and daughter Elizabeth Marie Russell; daughters-in-law Melanie and Stacey; son-in law Seth Russell, and nine grandchildren. He also is survived by a sister, Betty Gerlach.

Governor White lived a life of purpose and principle. He entered into public life not for titles or acclaim, but to do the right thing for the people he served. In a day and time in which incivility, ideological inflexibility, and the demonization of opponents has become even normative in the public square, we need only look to the legacy of Gov. White.

He modeled an understanding of decency and goodwill in furtherance of the common good. We have lost a man who was an exemplar of service before self, who answered to higher goals, and who understood how our democracy can develop public goods.

– Dean Brad Toben
Ben Terry, JD ’40, passed away Aug. 24, 2017. He was born in Calvert, Texas Dec. 31, 1916. Terry graduated from Baylor Law School before valiantly serving in World War II under General MacArthur. He married his best friend at Baylor, Billie, on June 12, 1946. He was a man of integrity, honesty, and compassion and he was steadfast in his commitment to Jesus Christ, family, and country. He sacrificed so that all could live in freedom and prosperity, and he rests in the eternal peace he earned. He was truly a good man and loved by all.

He is survived by his daughter Ellen Terry, his grandsons Benjamin Terry and Eugene Terry, and three nephews. He was a member of River Oaks Baptist Church for over 50 years.


Hon. Wyatt H. Heard, beloved husband and father, attorney, civil district judge, and civil leader, was born Oct. 19, 1926 and passed away June 6, 2017. After graduating from Waco High School, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps as a flight engineer based in Istres, France. After the war, he attended Baylor University both as an undergraduate and a law student, where he was a member of the Baylor Law Review. After receiving his juris doctor in 1952, he served as an FBI Special Agent for two years. He then worked as a litigator with Baker Botts and Irving, Pennington, Coolidge and Heard. Gov. Preston Smith appointed him to the 190th Civil District Court bench in 1961, serving with distinction until 1991. In 1979, along with his wife Heidi, Hon. Heard founded Communities in Schools of Houston, a campus-based dropout prevention program serving over 121 campuses. With a legal career spanning more than 60 years, Hon. Heard was honored to receive the following awards: Houston Bar Association Auxiliary’s Leon Jaworski Award, Waco High School Distinguished Alumni Award, Communities in Schools Hall of Fame Award, Baylor Lawyer of the Year Award, Bridges to Life Echo Award and Communities in Schools of Houston Bill Kroger-Baker Botts Award.

Hon. Heard was a deacon at South Main Baptist Church for many years and then a faithful and involved congregant at St. John the Divine Episcopal Church. His life is an example of Christian faith, integrity, generosity, and devotion to family, friends, community, and the law. Hon. Heard was an inspiration to all who knew him, transcending generations, and fulfilled on his favorite scripture, Micah 6:8, “And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.” He is predeceased by his parents; his brothers Dow, John and Robert; and his first wife, Teddy Moody Heard. He is survived by his four children and their spouses: Lawrence Pike Heard, Teddy Heard Orr, Susanna Heard Kane, and Denman Hilton Heard. He also is survived by his wife, Heidi Frost Heard, and their son Benjamin Frost Heard (Jeni). He delighted in his twelve grandchildren and four great-grand children.

“When life turns bleak, when we face the inevitability of our mortality, all but a rare person turns inward. Not so with Wyatt Heard. Even in his waning days, as his body was failing, he regularly delivered for Meals on Wheels. He chose service and life even as he knew that his own life was measured not in years, but in a handful of months and days.

This is the sort of work that Wyatt Heard craved. He wanted to matter. He understood, as we are told in Ecclesiastes, that we will not be known to the third and fourth generation to follow us. Only in our impact upon others do we leave a living legacy.”

– DEAN BRAD TOBEN
[FROM HIS EULOGY REMARKS]
He practiced law in Lubbock for 51 years, beginning in 1958.

He was active in the Lubbock community with service to First Baptist Church, Lubbock County Bar Association, City Bank Board of Directors, Goodwill Industries, West Texas Museum Association, South Plains Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, Lubbock Symphony Orchestra Board, South Plains Trust and Estate Council, Masonic Lodge, and Khiva Shrine. He was a 59-year member of the Lubbock Lions Club where he was a Melvin Jones Fellow. Moody was a member of the Board of Trustees at both Wayland Baptist University and Hardin-Simmons University, and was also a deacon and lifelong Baptist. He served as a troop leader to hundreds of young men and was very involved during his fifty-year association with Boy Scouts of America.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte, daughters Pam Moody and Leigh Potokar and husband Tim, four grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Thomas "Tom" Mulford Diamond, JD ’57, was born March 28, 1923 and passed away July 8, 2017. He enlisted in the United States Army at 19 and saw combat in the Pacific Theater. After fighting in World War II he returned to California and attended Stanford University where he graduated with a degree in engineering. Diamond remained enlisted in the active reserves and was called to duty during the Korean War.

Following the Korean War, Diamond attended Baylor Law School and graduated with many honors and his juris doctor degree in 1957. He first worked as an engineer with the Texas State Highway Department, and next as an assistant to County Judge Woodrow Bean. He transitioned into the private practice of law and throughout his career was active in the Democratic Party forming relationships with both John F. Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson. Diamond was a brilliant legal mind and associated with some of the best lawyers in the State of Texas with whom he remained lifelong friends.

He was often called upon to meticulously handle the most difficult legal situations, which he then resolved with tact and trust.

Diamond was a tireless advocate for Native American civil rights, best known for his efforts to obtain federal recognition and trust status for the Tigua Indians of Ysleta del Sur Pueblo. Diamond’s professional accomplishments are many, including writing two novels, Rimfire and Apache Tears, and an autobiography, Moon Spell.

He leaves behind his wife Carolyn Diamond, son Jack Diamond and his wife Kaye, five grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Violet and Thomas Diamond, and his brother, Jack Diamond.


Hurt practiced law in Lubbock, Texas until 1960 when he relocated to Plainview, where he maintained an active law practice until 2008. He was a long-time member and elder of First Presbyterian Church, Plainview Lions Club, and Plainview/Hale County Historical Society. He participated in democratic party politics from the precinct level to the county level. He retired to San Antonio in 2008 and enjoyed new friendships at The Towers. He was a member of Northwood Presbyterian Church.

He was predeceased by his parents and two brothers, Reagan Hurt Jr. and Jimmy Hurt. He is survived by his wife of 62 years; son, David Hurt and daughter-in-law, Sheilah; daughter, Margaret Anderson and son-in-law, Michael; and son, Reagan Hurt; also a sister, Lou Ann Madison; and nine nieces and nephews.

Virgil A. Lowrie, JD ’59, was born May 12, 1936 and passed away Aug. 23, 2017 at Texas Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas after a short but courageous battle with cancer.

Lowrie graduated from Baylor University with a law degree, which led to a lifelong passion of representing clients to the best of his ability. After graduating from Baylor Law, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and attended basic training at Fort Bliss in El Paso, Texas. He retired from the U.S. Army at the rank of Colonel.

He then worked for the State of Texas as a claims attorney and went into private practice in Denton. He worked up until several weeks before his death.

He is survived by his wife Minnie Ismond, two sons, Forrester Lee Lowrie and wife, Tammy, Virgil Austin Lowrie and wife, Debbie Mills, and three grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Denmore Lowrie and sister, Mildred Hensley.

C. Haden “Sonny” Cribbs, Jr., JD ’64, of Beaumont, passed away June 22, 2017. He was born in El Paso May 31, 1938. He earned his undergraduate and law degrees from Baylor University after serving in the Military Police. He began practicing law in Beaumont in 1964 and was awarded a certificate of recognition for 50 years of exemplary practice from the State Bar of Texas in 2014.

During the many years Cribbs was dedicated to the practice of law, he counseled and represented people from all walks of life. He couldn’t say “no” to anyone who needed help. To him, it was always about so much more than the money. He was never afraid to take on the challenging cases. He enjoyed a reputation for honesty and integrity among his peers. On a personal note, he had a gift for making people feel special. He spent his life successfully balancing his work with play.

He is survived by his wife, Kevin Paula (Sekaly); daughters, Susanne Johnson and Candace LeMasters; sons, Jonathan Sekaly and wife, Barbie, Beau Cribbs; and several grandchildren. He is also survived by his two sisters, Beth Alexander and Lynda Etheridge, his brother, Tommy Cribbs, his uncle, Bobby Cribbs, and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents.
Michael Robbins Knox, JD ‘67, passed away May 13, 2017. Knox was born Feb. 16, 1943, in Fort Worth. He received his bachelor's degrees from Baylor University in 1965 and his juris doctor from Baylor Law School in 1967. While at Baylor, he joined the U.S. Air Force ROTC and served in the Air Force as a JAG Officer. On May 10, 2017, Michael celebrated the 50-year anniversary of his admission to the State Bar of Texas. He had many accomplishments, including being the Deputy State Master Counselor of DeMolay from 1961 to 1962 and, in December 2006, swearing in to become a member of the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States in trial and tort law. However, his greatest accomplishment was being a husband, father, and most of all, “Papa”.

Knox was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Carole Ann Knox; daughters, Katheryn Daniell and husband, Colton, and Elizabeth Humber and husband, Richard; seven grandchildren; and a host of loving friends.

William Ralph “Bill” McKinney Jr., JD ‘71, passed away July 3, 2017. McKinney was born Feb. 1, 1946 in Houston. He graduated with his Bachelor of Arts from Baylor in 1968 and then with his law degree in 1971.

For 49 years he served his family, his church, and his community. His law career began with his service as the assistant city attorney in 1973. He also served as an assistant district attorney in Randall County until 1974. From 1975 to 1977, he was an associate with Robinson & Fotheringham and from 1977 to 1980, he was a partner with Priolo & McKinney. In 1980, he embarked upon private practice until the spring of 2017.

He was a member of the Amarillo Area Bar Association, the State Bar of Texas, the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. He was a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation and past president of the Panhandle Criminal Defense Lawyers Association.

McKinney served as president of Austin Middle School's Excellence Council and as a member of the Tascosa Excellence Council. He was a member of the AISD Middle School Committee. He was president of the Tascosa Lions Club and a member of the High Plains Epilepsy Board, Southwest Rotary Club, and Advocacy, Inc. He served with Masonic Lodge #731, Scottish Rite of El Paso, and the Amarillo Shrine Khiva Temple where he was a past president of his Khiva Patrol Unit. He also served on the board of directors of the Herring Bank and as an elder in his home church, First Presbyterian.

McKinney was preceded in death by his father and mother, Ralph and Theresa McKinney. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Carol; his children, William Ralph McKinney III (Trey), Alicia Marie McKinney, and Christina Victoria Harris; and his brother and wife, Charles and Patti McKinney. He also leaves behind his six adored grandchildren.

David Allen Leon, JD ‘85, passed away Aug. 3, 2017. Allen was born Sept. 4, 1960 in Dallas, Texas. He went to Austin College for his undergraduate degree and later attended Baylor Law School and earned his juris doctor degree. After completing law school, he worked as an attorney in Lufkin, Texas. He was very passionate about his work and loved to give as much as he could to charities, museums, and other organizations. He continued his work as an attorney in Lufkin until 2011, when he moved to Duncanville to be closer to family. He will always be remembered for his fervent passion of wine, good food, sports, and his ability to tell you your weather forecast for the coming week.

He is survived by his mother, Elsie Allen, his brother, Mark Allen, his niece, Shelby Allen, and his two nephews, Christian Allen and Mark Allen, Jr.

Lynn Griffith “Griff” Winborne, JD ‘90, passed away Aug. 25, 2017. He was born June 21, 1957. Griffith received his bachelor's degree in accounting from UTA and his juris doctor from Baylor Law School. He was the secretary of the Waxahachie Foundation. He was the Pro Bono Attorney of the Year in 2016 of the Legal Aid of Northwest Texas. He enjoyed sailing, scuba diving, cooking and traveling. He loved his family and his puppies and spending time with them. He enjoyed entertaining friends and was a true friend to those close to him.

He is survived by his former wife, Annette Winborne; and his daughter, Amanda Lynn Winborne; his son, Byron Charles Winborne. He was preceded in death by his mother, Marilyn Griffith Winborne; his grandmother, Dorothy Howard Griffith; and also by his grandfather, Lynn Byron Griffith.

Major David A. Blasingame, JD ‘96, passed away Aug. 17, 2017 after a long battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife, Karen; his children, Amie Marcy and Travis Blasingame of Saginaw, and Major Daniel K. Blasingame, USMC, of Camp Lejeune, N.C. He is also survived by his nine living grandchildren.

Gwen Gist, JD ‘04, was born Feb. 8, 1955 and passed away Aug. 12, 2017. While working and raising her only daughter, Gist commuted 90 miles to obtain her first bachelor’s degree in accounting from Eastern New Mexico State University. She passed the CPA exam on her first attempt and worked as a CPA in Carlsbad.

Despite many physical barriers, Gist had always wanted to become an attorney. She had a chronic diagnosis that was challenging but she managed it valiantly. In 2002, she uprooted her life to attend Baylor Law School, graduating with honors in 2004 with a juris doctor degree. She began her law career with Marek and Francis Law in Carlsbad, New Mexico. She took an opportunity moving to Hobbs, New Mexico where she was city attorney before becoming county attorney for Lea County, New Mexico. She eventually served as assistant district attorney for Fifth Judicial District with office in Hobbs, NM.

Recently, she decided to relocate and refocus on wills, trusts, estates, and helping people get access to legal representation. Her firm, Gist Law, PLLC, was growing and she was working hard at it right up to her final days. She was always happy she went to law school without letting age or disease stop her.

Gist was blessed to have the love and companionship of Mike Stanley for 20 years. She leaves a daughter, Kerri Lynn Gist, two grandsons, and one great grandson. She also leaves her mother, Shirley Jackson, three sisters: Deborah Edington, Stara Porterfield, and Cherene Patty; and one brother, John Jackson. She left many nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her father, Loyd Jackson.
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