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College of Law
ATLANTA!

*Atlanta from the Ashes.* Jim Seigler’s sculpture at left, illustrates the resurgent spirit that is the core of our city. Like the phoenix, Atlanta has risen from the ashes of the Civil War to redefine itself as the financial, business and governmental center of the Southeast. It is home to 730 Fortune-1,000 companies and more than 1,300 foreign-owned firms. It is world headquarters for The Coca-Cola Company, UPS, Delta Air Lines, Home Depot and Holiday Inn Worldwide. Our airport, Hartsfield Atlanta International, remains one of the globe’s busiest travel hubs.

Today, “the city too busy to hate” is remembered as the birthplace of Martin Luther King Jr. and the civil rights movement. It’s an international metropolis of three million people living in a scenic setting known for its dogwoods, azaleas and evergreens. In 1996, we were proud to host the world’s Summer Olympic Games.

Georgia State is downtown, right in the middle of Atlanta, and we like it that way. We’re a stop on the city’s rapid-rail line and an exit on the freeway interchange. We’re literally blocks from the region’s cultural, business and governmental centers. Here, we are an integral part of Atlanta’s redefinition: Georgia State is an urban research university in the fields of business, education and urban affairs. As the seat of more than two dozen centers and institutes for research, we are a rapidly growing research center in the sciences. We educate students in fields as diverse as anthropology, entrepreneurship, child development, gerontology, hydrogeology, insurance, international business, psychology, sports and exercise, adult literacy and, of course, law.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Georgia State, the second-largest of Georgia’s accredited institutions of higher education, enrolls more than 23,000 students each fall. Our students are instructed by about 900 full-time faculty, who teach courses leading to about 50 degrees in more than 200 fields of study. The university comprises five colleges and a school: Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Health and Human Sciences, Law and Policy Studies.

Each term, we teach some 2,000 course sections throughout the day and evening. Students may study full or part time. We confer about 4,000 degrees annually.
THE COLLEGE OF LAW

In September 1982, the College of Law began operation on the Georgia State University downtown campus. The college, which offers conventional first-year law courses to both day and evening students, enrolled a first-year class of about 200 students. Second- and third-year classes now complete a student body of about 600 students.

The College of Law makes a quality legal education as accessible as possible, both to traditional students and to the large number of qualified and motivated individuals whose present occupations would prevent them from pursuing a traditional, full-time law program. The College of Law thus maintains, in addition to our conventional program, an affirmative attitude toward part-time law study. The college views the part-time program as an attractive and equally respectable alternative for many applicants. We believe the ability to choose between programs provides students with a flexibility that is an exceptional strength of the college.

With this in mind, our faculty help all of our students gain a knowledge of the law, of legal institutions and of legal processes. This knowledge will become progressively more important to our students' upward movement, both vocationally and avocationally.

Mission

The mission of the Georgia State University College of Law is to provide excellent, affordable legal education to a diverse group of students through full-time and part-time programs, to promote professionalism and encourage the delivery of excellent legal service to all sectors of society; and to serve as a valuable resource to the community and to the legal profession. This mission is reflected in the goals of the College of Law as they relate to its educational programs, faculty, students, library, physical facilities, and community relations and development efforts.

Accreditation

The College of Law is accredited by the American Bar Association and is a member of the Association of American Law Schools.
FROM THE DEAN

Georgia State University, located in the heart of one of the country's fastest-growing regions, can offer you extraordinary educational opportunities. At the College of Law, we take advantage of our locale to provide our students with both practical training and a high-quality formal education.

The College of Law's faculty, as competent teachers and thoughtful scholars, bring a broad range of skills, talents and practical experiences to the classroom. They are equally committed to a high standard of excellence in both our full-time and part-time programs. And our staff deliver support services in a helpful, encouraging environment that augments student opportunities.

We take great pride in our diverse and motivated student body. We encourage them to contribute their individual experiences to discussions both in and out of the classroom. Their divergent viewpoints add excitement, breadth and meaning to their studies as they master the wide array of skills and information they will need to practice law.

We encourage you to examine the components of our curriculum. You will find us striving to integrate the teaching of substantive law with the mastery of practical legal skills. Our externship program, our Lawyer Skills Program and our alternative dispute resolution training are each enhanced by a dedicated curriculum. Our tax law clinic gives upper-level students opportunities to use their skills with real clients in real disputes with the Internal Revenue Service.

Our location in downtown Atlanta puts us within walking distance of the federal district court, the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, the regional headquarters of federal agencies, state courts, state governmental agencies and the state capitol. This proximity facilitates externship placements that allow our students to earn course credit working for prosecutors, public defenders, judges and other officials.

Please visit our campus and talk with our students and faculty. I am confident that you will perceive our commitment to meet legal education's challenges. I hope that you will join members of our community in our quest to make the law reflect our society's ideals and aspirations.

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I'm glad I came to Georgia State University. Students here have the benefit of knowledgeable and concerned faculty, competent and sympathetic staff and responsive administration. We get the things we need and some things we want, all from good people with good attitudes. As a student, I never feel that my problems are mine alone or that I can't find help to resolve those problems. Law school is stressful enough. People here try to help us through our problems rather than feed our stressful frenzy.

As an entering student at the law school, I had no idea what to expect from anyone. Some of my fears were quelled when I saw examples of what instructors expect from students. I also had the chance to see the school's student services. What I've found at Georgia State are the amenities of a campus and the logistic advantage of an urban educational center. Where else can you go to class and then walk to court or the capitol to work?
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Program Coordinator
The primary purpose of the College of Law is to educate and train future attorneys. The college offers a program leading to the Juris Doctor degree in both a full-time six-semester program and a part-time nine-semester program. Ninety semester hours are required for graduation and students must complete one substantial legal writing project during their upper-class period of study. The same standards of admission and performance are required of students in both programs. Full-time faculty teach the courses in both programs and are assisted by adjunct faculty who have experience in specific areas.

FULL-TIME PROGRAM

The full-time program requires six semesters, or three academic years, to complete. It is designed for students who devote a majority of their time to the study of law. Students in this program must take a total of 31 semester hours in the first year. In the second and third years, they may enroll in up to 16 hours each regular semester.

The full-time program is rigorous and dictates that students make substantial time commitments to legal study. Full-time first-year students are strongly discouraged from attempting to work, even on a part-time basis. Excessive employment and other personal factors can result in disappointing academic performance or academic failure. To limit this possibility, the American Bar Association requires law schools to enforce rules restricting outside employment. Students involved in employment for more than 20 hours in a week must enroll in the part-time program.

PART-TIME PROGRAM

The part-time program permits students to study law on a part-time basis. Students must carefully balance their educational, personal and financial needs to meet the demands of this degree program. The part-time program can be completed in four years if the student chooses to attend summer school. Many students choose to extend their studies over a period of four-and-a-half to five years. Students may not take more than six years to complete the J.D. program.

During the first year, students in this program pursue a 19-hour required course of study. In the second and third years, students enroll in eight to 11 hours of coursework in each regular semester.
OUTLINE OF THE 90-HOUR CURRICULUM

All courses specifically named in these outlines are required and must be taken at the earliest opportunity. Course particulars are found in the College of Law Bulletin and the schedule of classes. Day classes are scheduled from 9 a.m. through the morning and afternoon. Evening classes are scheduled from 6 p.m. until 8:45 or 9:50 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Summer-term offerings are optional and are designed to diversify and balance the student’s course of study. Part-time students may wish to accelerate graduation by taking summer courses.

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Federal/Constitutional Law and Litigation
Constitutional Law II: Individual Liberties
Constitutional Law: Selected Topics on the First Amendment
Constitutional Law: Survey of the First Amendment
Constitutional Tort Litigation
Constitutional Law Seminar
Federal Criminal Law/Federal Courts

Administrative Law/Federal and State Regulation
Administrative Law
Administrative Law
Administrative Law
Admiralty Regulated Industries
Environmental Law
Law of Hazardous Waste
Natural Resources Law
Legislation
Legislative Drafting and Interpretation Seminar
Local Government Law
Mass Communication Law
National Security Law
State Administrative Law

Business/Commercial Law
Accounting for Lawyers
Agency and Partnership
Antitrust
Banking Law
Basic Business Bankruptcy
Basic Consumer Bankruptcy
Bankruptcy and Tax Seminar
Bankruptcy Reorganizations
Basic Federal Taxation
Business Planning
Business Taxation I
Business Taxation II
Corporations
Commercial Paper and Payment Systems
Construction Law
Copyrights
Corporate Finance
Intellectual Property Law
International Business
Patent Law
Products Liability
Regulated Industries
Sales
Security Interests and Liens
Securities Regulation
Seminar in Corporate Law
Seminar in Corporate Governance
Sports Law
Tax Procedure and Tax Fraud
Trademarks and Unfair Competition

Legal Practice/Lawyer Skills Development
Advanced Alternative Dispute Resolution
Advanced Criminal Litigation
Advanced Evidence
Advanced Legal Research
Advanced Legal Writing

Advanced Seminar in Georgia Practice and Procedure
Alternative Methods of Dispute Resolution
Appellate Advocacy I
Appellate Advocacy II
Appellate Practice and Procedure
Conflict of Laws
Constitutional Law Seminar
Domestic Litigation
Federal Courts
Georgia Practice and Procedure
Interviewing, Counseling and Negotiation
International Moot Court
Law Review
Legislation
Legislative Drafting Seminar
Moot Court I
Moot Court II
Remedies
Trial Advocacy I
Trial Advocacy II

Comparative/International Law
Comparative Law
Comparative Law Seminar
Conflict of Law
European Community Business Transactions
European Community Law
Immigration Law and Practice
International Business
International Commercial Arbitration Seminar
International Human Rights
International Trade Seminar
International Moot Court
Public International Law
Transnational Litigation Seminar

Law in the Public Interest/Individual Rights
Constitutional Law II: Individual Liberties
Constitutional Tort Litigation
Consumer Protection
Discrimination on the Basis of Handicap
Domestic Litigation
Education Law
Employment Discrimination
Environmental and Natural Resources Law
Health Law
Seminar in Health Law
Juvenile Law
Law, Science and Technology Seminar
Race and Ethnicity and the Law
Sexual Identity and the Law
Women and the Law

Criminal Law and Practice
Advanced Criminal Litigation
Appellate Practice and Procedure
Business Crimes
Criminal Procedure I
Criminal Procedure II
Federal Criminal Law
Labor/Employment Law
- Discrimination on the Basis of Handicap
- Employee Benefits
- Employment Discrimination
- General Employment Law
- Labor Law
- Workers' Compensation
- Workers' Compensation Seminar

Taxation
- Basic Federal Taxation
- Business Planning
- Business Taxation I
- Business Taxation II
- Estate and Gift Taxation
- Estate Planning Seminar
- Tax Clinic I
- Tax Clinic II
- Tax Procedure and Tax Fraud

Law and the Family
- Domestic Litigation
- Family Law
- Family Law Seminar
- Juvenile Law
- Law and the Elderly

Wills, Trusts and Estates
- Estate and Gift Taxation
- Estate Planning Seminar
- Future Interest
- Wills, Trusts and Estates I
- Wills, Trusts and Estates II

Environmental Protection/Land-Use Planning/Real Property
- Energy Law
- Environmental and Natural Resources Law
- Land-Use Law
- Real Estate Finance
- Real Estate Seminar
- Real Estate Transactions
- Water Rights

Intellectual Property
- Arts and Entertainment Law
- Computers and the Law
- Copyrights
- Trademarks and Unfair Competition

Jurisprudence/Interdisciplinary
- Conflict of Laws
- Health Law
- Health Law Seminar
- Jurisprudence
- Law and the Internet
- Law and Psychiatry
- Law, Science and Technology Seminar
- Legal History

Externships
- Alternative Dispute Resolution:
  - Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation
- Banking Law:
  - Federal Reserve Bank
  - Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta
- Civil Litigation:
  - Atlanta Volunteer Lawyers Foundation
- Criminal Defense:
  - Federal Public Defender
  - Rockdale County Office of the Public Defender
- Criminal Prosecution:
  - DeKalb County District Attorney
  - DeKalb County Solicitor
  - Fulton County Solicitor
  - Gwinnett County Solicitor
  - Rockdale County District Attorney
- Equal Employment:
  - Employment Division Commission on Equal Opportunity
- Federal Environmental Law:
  - Environmental Protection Agency
- Health and Human Services:
  - Department of Health and Human Services
- Housing Discrimination:
  - Housing Division Commission on Equal Opportunity
- Immigration Law:
  - Catholic Social Services
  - U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service
- International and Comparative Law
- Judicial Clerkship:
  - Fulton County Superior Court
  - Georgia Court of Appeals
  - Georgia Supreme Court
  - U.S. District Court
- Juvenile Law:
  - Douglas County Juvenile Court
  - Gwinnett County Juvenile Court
- Labor Law
- Law of the Elderly:
  - Senior Citizens Law Project, Atlanta Legal Aid Society
- Litigation:
  - U.S. District Attorney, Northern District of Georgia
- Natural Resources Law:
  - Georgia Board of Natural Resources
- National Wildlife Federation:
  - S.E. Natural Resources Center, National Wildlife Federation
- Post Conviction:
  - Southern Center for Human Rights
  - Georgia Appellate Practice and Educational Resource Center
- Securities Regulation:
  - Securities and Exchange Commission
- Tax Law Externship:
  - Individual Tax -Internal Revenue Service
  - Estate and Gift Tax -Internal Revenue Service
  - State Department of Revenue
THE LAW REVIEW

The Law Review is a legal journal published four times a year by second- and third-year students who have demonstrated outstanding writing and academic skills. The staff of the Law Review edits and publishes articles written by scholars, practitioners and students. Most recently, the journal published a report on the Georgia judicial system by the Ethnic and Racial Bias Commission.

The fall issue features an annual legislative review known as the Peach Sheets. This review provides the legal community with an in-depth view of the Georgia General Assembly's activities and the legislative intent behind significant bills.

Law Review participation provides an intensive educational experience beyond the basic law school curriculum by enhancing analytical, organizational and writing skills. These qualities are highly respected by members of the legal community and are regarded as essential to the successful practice of law.

EXTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Externship Program seeks to better prepare students for the professional, emotional and ethical demands of the legal profession. Through governmental agencies, non-profit public-interest organizations and county, state and federal judges, the program exposes students to a broad range of legal fields, including alternative dispute resolution, banking law, criminal law, disability law, environmental law, immigration law, judicial clerkships, securities regulation law and workers' compensation law. The experience trains externs in lawyerly skills, exposes them to the workings of the legal system and leaves them with a sense of professional responsibility for their community.

Externships are available to second- and third-year students on a limited basis and may require completion of specific courses for enrollment. Students may participate in one or two semesters for academic credit. The field experience is supplemented by an academic component offered at the law school or at the work site. Those selected to participate in the program are assigned to work with designated individuals such as judges or staff attorneys who serve as their mentors.

Students interested in obtaining additional information about the Externship Program should contact the Lawyer Skills Development Office.
TRIAL ADVOCACY

Trial Advocacy has several components. The first is the second-year litigation program offered spring semester. Students are taught basic skills of trial work in small seminar groups, where they receive intensive writing and simulation exercises. Second, advanced seminar courses are offered to 12 students. They are simulation-intensive and designed to further enhance students' trial skills in civil and criminal areas. These courses include **Advanced Criminal Litigation**, **Advanced Evidence**, and **Domestic Litigation**. Students may take the advanced courses after completing second-year required courses.

Finally, through the trial advocacy program, students can become members of the Student Trial Lawyers Association and the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Student Division. As members, students participate in mock trial competitions. Two courses, **Trial Advocacy I and II**, taught in the fall and spring, provide basic advocacy instruction for these students.

The STLA combines the student sections of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, the American Bar Association and the Georgia Trial Lawyers Association. It has been extremely active in competitions. The STLA annually sponsors student mock trial teams in the ATLAs Trial Competition, the National Invitational Trial Competition and the Georgia Intrastate Trial Competition. The impressive performance of the trial teams has placed Georgia State University among the nation's top 16 trial advocacy programs. The teams were invited to the 1989, 1990 and 1993 National Invitational Trial Competition and Tournament of Champions. In 1989 and 1993, Georgia State students were selected Best Advocate at the NITC. In 1994, Georgia State students won the NACDL competition.

MOOT COURT

The Moot Court Society consists of second- and third-year students who have distinguished themselves in appellate advocacy and who are interested in achieving excellence in brief writing and oral advocacy. The society competes in numerous national and regional competitions, including the National Moot Court Competition, the Georgia Intrastate Moot Court Competition, the National Trademark Competition, the National Criminal Procedure Competition, the National Information and Privacy Moot Court Competition, the ABA National Appellate Advocacy Competition and the Wagner Cup Labor Law Competition. In addition, members prepare the case problems and trial briefs for the appellate advocacy course competitions and serve as judges and brief graders in the appellate advocacy competition.

College of Law teams have won the intrastate competition, the regional NAAI and National Moot Court competitions, the 1988 national championship in the National Moot Court Competition, the Regional National Trademark Moot Court Competition, and the 1990 and 1992 Wagner Cup National Labor Law Competition. Georgia State teams have garnered a dozen first place finishes, seven second place finishes and a dozen or more third-place finishes. Many of its teams have earned Best Brief awards, and eight of its competition team members were declared Best Oralist in state, regional and national competitions.

TAX CLINIC

The Tax Clinic is a live-client component of the Lawyer Skills Development program. It serves low-income individuals who are involved in Internal Revenue Service disputes. The clinic teaches interviewing and counseling skills, case management, evidence gathering, advocacy, effective negotiation and resolution of ethical issues. The clinic addresses an unmet community need and exposes students to the need for public service after graduation.

Cases handled by the Tax Clinic are post-audit matters that usually involve the Appeals Office of the Internal Revenue Service. The clinic also represents individuals in U.S. Tax Court. The Internal Revenue Service and the Tax Court have allowed students, under appropriate supervision, to represent taxpayers.

Each semester, 10-15 students work in the clinic. They are expected to devote about 10 hours a week to clinic activities. Students' activities are closely supervised by the clinic director, who is a full-time faculty member and a supervising attorney. More than 150 taxpayers a year call the clinic and it has an inventory of about 60 cases.

An advisory committee comprising several leading tax attorneys in Atlanta guides the clinic. The Southeast regional commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, the district director and the district counsel have all demonstrated strong support for the clinic. The clinic has joined the National Legal Aid and Defenders Association.
JOINT DEGREE PROGRAMS

The College of Law offers, in conjunction with the College of Business Administration and the School of Policy Studies, two joint degree programs. These programs allow students to earn both master's and Juris Doctor degrees by allowing some of the coursework in each program to satisfy requirements in the other. Applicants must be accepted by both colleges. Interested applicants should contact the appropriate colleges for application procedures and materials for the Master of Business Administration or Master of Public Administration programs.

Students who have been admitted to both the J.D. and M.B.A./M.P.A. programs and who have declared an intent to be enrolled in the joint program must, at the first opportunity, complete the first 31 hours of required courses in the J.D. degree. After they complete these 31 hours, students may enroll in courses of either college or in both colleges concurrently. Students enrolled in a joint-degree program who subsequently decide not to pursue both degrees may remain in either of the programs. However, any hours earned in a degree program from which the student withdraws will not be credited toward a degree by the college in which the student remains.

M.B.A./J.D. Degree Program

The College of Law collaborates with the College of Business Administration to offer a program leading to the J.D. degree and the M.B.A. degree. This program enables students to complete the requirements for both degrees in four academic years rather than the conventional five.

Joint program degree requirements: Students must satisfy the curriculum requirements for both the M.B.A. degree as outlined in the College of Business Administration Graduate Bulletin and the J.D. degree as outlined in this viewbook.

The College of Business Administration will allow 14 semester hours of law courses with grades of B or better to be credited toward the 20 quarter hours of electives in the M.B.A. program. Reciprocally, the College of Law will permit, with prior approval, up to 20 quarter hours of 800-level M.B.A. courses with grades of B or better to be converted to up to 14 semester hours and credited toward the J.D. degree. The College of Law will not apply M.B.A. credit toward the J.D. degree until the M.B.A. degree is awarded. This requirement will be satisfied if the degrees are awarded simultaneously.

Enrollment sequencing and time limits: The College of Law does not permit enrollment in the joint degree program after a student has completed more than 40 quarter hours of 800-level M.B.A. coursework. The requirements for both the M.B.A. and the J.D. degrees must be completed within eight years of the initial quarter of enrollment in the M.B.A. program. The J.D. degree must be completed within six years of the initial semester of enrollment in the J.D. program.

Students may be required by the College of Business Administration to take 600-level courses before beginning 800-level graduate M.B.A. courses. The College of Law recommends that students contemplating part-time law study complete required 600-level courses before taking their first law courses.
M.P.A./J.D. Degree Program

The College of Law collaborates with the School of Policy Studies to offer a course of study leading to the M.P.A. and the J.D. degrees by allowing previously approved coursework to fulfill requirements of both degrees.

Joint M.P.A./J.D. degree requirements: Students must satisfy the curriculum requirements for both the M.P.A. degree as outlined in the School of Policy Studies guidelines and the J.D. degree as outlined in this viewbook.

The School of Policy Studies will allow 14 semester hours of law courses with grades of B or better to be counted as 20 quarter hours of electives in the M.P.A. program. Reciprocally, the College of Law will permit, with prior approval, up to 20 quarter hours of approved 800-level M.P.A. courses with grades of B or better to be converted to up to 14 semester hours and credited toward the J.D. degree.

The College of Law will not accept as joint degree credits any hours earned for the following courses: Padm 606, Measurement and Statistics in Public Administration; and Padm 849, Public Law and Public Administration. Additionally, joint-degree credit will be granted for courses on legal topics only if taken through the College of Law. The College of Law will not apply M.P.A. credit toward the J.D. degree until the M.P.A. degree is awarded. This requirement will be satisfied if the degrees are awarded simultaneously.

Enrollment sequencing and time limits: The College of Law does not permit enrollment in the joint degree program after a student has completed more than 50 quarter hours of 800-level M.P.A. coursework. School of Policy Studies does not permit students’ enrollment in the joint degree program after more than 40 hours in the J.D. program. The requirements for both the M.P.A. and the J.D. degrees must be completed within eight years of the initial quarter of enrollment in the M.P.A. program. The J.D. degree must be completed within six years of the initial semester of enrollment in the J.D. program.

Students should consult with the School of Policy Studies regarding courses they may be required to complete prior to beginning 800-level courses. If the School of Policy Studies requires these courses, the College of Law strongly recommends that students planning part-time law study complete those courses prior to taking their first law courses.

ANGELA CARSON

The professors at Georgia State College of Law have consistently shown real concern that the students participate in class and that we discuss the law and our positions on issues with increasing confidence. I have not had a purely academic experience at Georgia State; here, the professors emphasize the practical applications of the laws.

While working at a law firm in Atlanta, I have come to realize that the legal community recognizes the expertise of our tenured and adjunct professors. My professors have written legal articles, textbooks and other works that are well-respected both locally and nationally. Our professors are active members of the legal community, and the adjunct professors are excellent local attorneys and judges.

There is a difference between an expert and an effective teacher. Georgia State University’s law professors are both, so I feel that I have had the best of both worlds.
THE STUDENT BODY
During fall 1996, 669 students registered with the College of Law. They were from 26 states and five countries. The average age was 29.9. Nearly half (325 or 48.5 percent) were women, and 169 (25.2 percent) were minorities. Georgia residents made up 87 percent of the total.

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE
The Office of Student Life is the focal point through which students may advance their professional and academic goals.

The office offers a comprehensive student support network. It assists and supports student organizations with such projects as event planning, guest speakers and lecturers, and community-service activities. The office is responsible for planning and implementing the annual hooding ceremonies, the Law Honors Day program and student-related special events. The office also disseminates information regarding university resources, provides referral service and offers assistance in nonacademic matters.

ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
The Academic Enrichment Program is a series of tutorials conducted throughout the academic year under the supervision of a faculty committee. The chair of the faculty committee also serves as the director of the program, and the director of admission serves as the coordinator.

Student tutors, selected on the basis of proven academic excellence, meet with their sections biweekly for five weeks each semester. Each student in the program is offered an opportunity to write a practice exam and have it reviewed by a tutor and critiqued in an individual session.

The tutorials are open to all students, but targeted students are strongly encouraged to attend. The criteria used to target entering students include the Law School Admission Test score, undergraduate grade-point average and predicted first-year average (per Law School Data Assembly Service). The criterion used to target returning students is the law school grade-point average. To protect the integrity of the classes, regular attendance is required: Students may only miss one session if they wish to continue in the Academic Enrichment Program.
CAREER SERVICES OFFICE

The Career Services Office helps students and graduates find employment as clerks, summer or full-time associates and staff or contract attorneys. It also provides them with extensive career counseling and presents seminars and workshops on topics ranging from legal practice areas to interviewing techniques. The office assists students with résumés and cover letters and advises them on hiring patterns of employers who interest them. Employers are invited to use the Career Services Office to meet their hiring needs.

The Career Services Office is committed to a policy against discrimination in employment based on age, gender, race, color, national origin, sexual orientation, religion, handicap and/or veteran status. The services of the office are available only to those employers whose practices are in agreement with this policy.

The College of Law is a member of the National Association for Law Placement, and it adheres to the NALP Principles and Standards for law placement and recruitment activities. For additional information, please call the Career Services Office at 404/651-2062.

OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES

Students with special needs should register with the Office of Disability Services at the beginning of their first semester. It is located in Room 153, Sparks Hall or by telephoning 404/651-1487 (voice TT). If you have questions concerning parking and accessibility on campus, please call this office. They will mail you a handbook of services and arrangements for the physically challenged.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

The College of Law recognizes nearly 20 organizations, most of them affiliations of national professional associations. The college encourages students to create and participate in a variety of these organizations, some traditionally found in law schools, some less common. We believe educational opportunities are significantly broadened through student activities and a diverse, involved student body. The college will continue to support student organizations as an important part of the legal education experience through which students may advance their professional and academic goals. We are proud of their accomplishments.

Organizations
Student Bar Association
Asian-American Law Student Association
Association of Women Law Students
Black Law Students Association
Christian Legal Society
Environmental Law Society
Federalist Society for Law and Public Policy Studies
International and Comparative Law Society
Jewish Law Students Association
Lesbian and Gay Law Students Association
National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers
Public Interest Law Association
Sports and Entertainment Law Association
Student Division of Federal Bar Association
Student Health Lawyers Association
Student Trial Lawyers Association
Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity
Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International
Phi Delta Phi Law Fraternity
The College of Law actively recruits applicants who possess the intellectual prowess, maturity and motivation necessary for the successful completion of the Juris Doctor program.

ADMISSION POLICY
Beginning students are accepted for admission only in the fall semester. To be considered for admission, applicants must follow the steps in the Application Process section on Page 23. A candidate must have a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university prior to registering for the first semester in the College of Law. Candidates for admission to the program are evaluated on the basis of academic and personal criteria. Students who have been excluded from another law school at which they are ineligible for readmission will not be admitted to the College of Law.

Academic criteria include the candidate's undergraduate work and the Law School Admission Test score. Personal criteria include letters of recommendation from professors, employers or colleagues; work experience; graduate work; the candidate's personal statement for admission; and extracurricular activities.

The college has a rolling admission policy. A faculty admission committee begins to review files in January and continues until the class is full. Applicants are encouraged to apply early and to ensure that all support materials are received promptly. A late admission file may jeopardize their chances of receiving full consideration.

All applicants must take the LSAT and register for the Law School Data Assembly Service. The admission committee uses all LSAT scores to reach a decision. The test and service are administered by the Law School Admission Council, Box 2000, Newtown, PA 18940, 215/968-1001.

SELECTION PROCEDURES
The College of Law actively seeks to enroll a student body diverse in educational, cultural and racial backgrounds that will contribute to a rewarding legal education for the entire student body. The median grade point average for the 1997 entering class was about 3.2 and the median LSAT scores were 157.

Although the college relies heavily on numeric components in its selection process, factors other than
test scores enter into the decision-making process. The admission committee considers the content of the baccalaureate degree, letters of recommendation and the applicant's written statement. Letters of recommendation may offer the committee insight into some special qualities the prospective student might bring to the legal profession that are not reflected in test scores or transcripts. The applicant's written statement also gives the college some idea of the personal and professional goals of the individual. This statement offers the opportunity to include specific information that might assist the committee in evaluating the applicant's abilities and chances for successful completion of the J.D. degree. In addition, school and community activities, employment experiences and advanced study or degrees are considered in the selection process. In reviewing applicant files, the admission committee takes steps to ensure that its selection procedures and judgments are fair to all applicants and that the students admitted to the college show promise of entering the legal profession with the highest ethical standards. Minorities and women are encouraged to apply. The College of Law is an equal opportunity educational institution and does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, gender, sexual orientation, age, handicap or ethnic origin in its admission policies.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Beginning Students
Applications for admission to the first-year class will be accepted beginning October 2, 1997. Your admission file must be complete by the March 15, 1998, deadline. For international students, the application deadline is February 1, 1998. To complete your admission file, you must comply with the following requirements:

Self-Managed Application
The College of Law uses a self-managed applications process for admission to the Juris Doctor program. This means that it is your responsibility to prepare all materials other than the LSDAS report and submit them at one time to the Office of Law Admission.

A self-managed application process requires appropriate planning on your part to allow time for you to prepare the application properly and collect all of your
materials. However, this process also gives you, the applicant, control over when your application is complete (except for test scores). It eliminates the need for concern over lost or misdirected applications, letters of recommendation and personal statements.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Application
Complete the application form in this viewbook and return it to the College of Law Admission Office with the nonrefundable $30 application fee in check or money order made payable to Georgia State University. Print your name and Social Security number on the check.

Test Requirements
Take the Law School Admission Test. The LSAT is administered by the Law School Admission Council four times each year at numerous places throughout the United States as well as in foreign countries. For information and an application form, contact the Law School Admission Council, Box 2000, Newton, PA 18940. Telephone 215/968-1001. Accommodated tests are available for applicants with disabilities.

Register with the Law School Data Assembly Service, administered by the Law School Admission Council. Transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work must be sent directly to the Law School Admission Council. The LSDAS report includes an analysis of all undergraduate college work, copies of all transcripts and the official LSAT score report.

Letters of Recommendation
Two letters of recommendation are required. A recommendation form has been enclosed in your application packet. Please photocopy this form. Collect completed forms and letters from your recommenders and submit the letters in an unopened envelope with the rest of your application packet. Recommenders must sign their names across the sealed portion of the envelopes.

Personal Statement
Submit a typewritten personal statement in support of your admission. This is an opportunity to add anything you wish about yourself, your abilities and your interests.
Reapplication

Individuals who have previously applied to the College of Law may reapply. Application files of nonmatriculants are kept on file for two years. The applicant need only submit an application for admission and the accompanying $30 application fee. Submit items missing from the previous year. An LSDAS report for a previous year may be used only if it includes all undergraduate coursework completed by the applicant at the time of reapplication. Otherwise, it is necessary to renew an LSDAS subscription. While the admission committee will consider previously submitted material, individuals are encouraged to update and strengthen their files.

Personal Interviews

Personal interviews are not part of the application process. The admission staff will try to help you with our admission process. You should note that counselors have no authority to make admission decisions. You should not construe any of their statements as promises or contracts binding the College of Law.

We will notify you when we receive your application for admission and your $30 fee. It is then your responsibility to keep current on the status of your file.

Whether you are applying for admission as a beginning, transfer or guest student, your application will be carefully considered. You will be notified of your acceptance by letter. Unless you have received a formal letter of acceptance, it is unwise to make any plans contingent on acceptance.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

International applicants should understand that special grading standards do not exist in the College of Law. Applicants whose native language is not English are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language to demonstrate a satisfactory level of proficiency in the use of the English language. For information and appropriate application forms, applicants should contact TOEFL, P.O. Box 899, Princeton, NJ 08541 USA.

International applicants must meet all application requirements, including the achievement of satisfactory scores on the LSAT. International applicants who attended and graduated from a college or university in another country are required to have their credentials evaluated by an independent evaluation service such as World Education Services, P.O. Box 745, Old Chelsea Station, New York, NY 10118-0745 USA.

The application deadline for international students is February 1. International applicants will also need to provide documentation of their visa and financial status prior to admission. The College of Law does not have a program that allows international students or lawyers to take select courses in the college to meet bar examination or other requirements. There is only one program the 90-hour program.

ADVANCED STANDING

Transfer

The faculty admission committee will accept as transfer students outstanding students who have completed the first year of full-time study at another law school accredited by the American Bar Association.

The prospective transfer student must complete the following items:

Complete the application form included in this viewbook and return it to the College of Law Admission Office with the nonrefundable $30 application fee in check or money order made payable to Georgia State University. Please print your name and Social Security number on the check.

Provide a letter from the dean of the law school you previously attended. This should indicate your class ranking and state that you currently are in good standing and eligible to return to the law school. The letter must be sent after the conclusion of the academic term immediately preceding the desired semester of enrollment.

Provide an official transcript of all law school work. Provide the LSDAS report on undergraduate and LSAT performance. Forward the recommendation form to two educators and/or employers who know your work well. Submit the the forms and letters in an unopened envelope with the rest of your application packet. Recommmenders must sign their names across the sealed portion of the envelopes.

Submit a typewritten personal statement in support of your admission. This is your opportunity to add
KIRTAN PATEL

One of the most striking features of the classes is the diversity of its students. Atlanta is a metropolitan city, a wonderful example of a melting pot, and thus great minds of all communities, ages, sexes and cultures are represented here. Each student makes a unique and interesting contribution in class through their cultural, work or life experiences. This made Georgia State my only choice, and it was the best choice I could have made.

The consensus amongst my colleagues at work is that Georgia State University College of Law prepares its students to better handle the pressures of jobs and assignments. The college is in close proximity to the state capitol and major court houses, and law students blossom in the location’s electric atmosphere.

anything you wish to say about yourself, your abilities and your interests.

No credit for advanced standing will be allowed for courses completed at law schools that are not accredited by the American Bar Association. No credit for advanced standing will be allowed for any law school course completed with a grade lower than a C or its equivalent.

Transfer students admitted to the College of Law must meet the following requirements in order to receive the J.D. degree: 1) earn a minimum of 60 semester hours (of the 90 hours required to graduate) at Georgia State University College of Law; 2) meet the residence requirement for at least four full semesters; and 3) satisfy the degree and residence requirements applicable at the time of admission.

Note: Transfer students will have credit applied toward the degree, but grades from another institution will not be used in the calculation of the Georgia State average. Transfers will not be ranked until the completion of their program. In addition, the number of hours transferred may exclude students from honor societies because membership is based on class rank.

The deadlines for transfer applications are July 15 for fall semester, December 1 for spring semester and April 15 for summer semester.

Guest

Third-year law students at ABA-accredited law schools who are in good standing may apply as guest students to earn credit for transfer back to the degree-granting institution. Guest students may attend the College of Law for no more than 32 semester hours, not to exceed three semesters (including the summer semester). However, second-year students may apply as guest students under special circumstances. Guest students must complete the following items:

Complete the application form included in this viewbook and return it to the College of Law Admission Office with the nonrefundable $50 application fee in check or money order made payable to Georgia State University. Please print your name and Social Security number on the check.

Provide a letter from the dean of the previously attended law school stating that you currently are in good standing and eligible to return to the law school. The
dean must authorize such attendance and agree to accept the transfer credits earned at Georgia State University College of Law. Supply an official transcript of all law school work.

Since our calendar does not call for an early graduation, we cannot guarantee early grades for guest students in order to meet the graduation deadlines of their home institutions. The deadlines for guest applications are July 15 for fall semester, December 1 for spring semester and April 15 for summer semester.

Special Student Status
Graduate students who wish to take an advanced course in the College of Law in support of their academic program in another college at Georgia State University, and graduate students at other accredited institutions or those equivalent to the same at foreign institutions, may apply for admission as special students. Any such students subsequently admitted to the College of Law as students in a law degree program may not count toward that degree any credits earned while in special-student status.

Special students must complete the following items:

Complete the application form included in this viewbook and return it to the College of Law Admission Office with the nonrefundable $30 application fee in check or money order made payable to Georgia State University. Please print your name and Social Security number on the check.

Provide a letter from the dean of your college stating that you currently are in good standing and eligible to return to the graduate program. The dean must authorize such attendance and agree to accept the transfer credit from the Georgia State University College of Law. Supply an official transcript of your graduate work.

The deadlines for special applicants are July 15 for fall semester, December 1 for spring semester and April 15 for summer semester.

An attorney admitted to the bar of Georgia or another state may apply for admission as a special student but, in that capacity, may only audit a course at the college with the permission of the dean and the instructor of that course. Attorneys subsequently admitted to the college as students in a law degree program may not count toward the degree any course-credit equivalents attributed to them while in special-student status. Attorneys, please call the College of Law Academic Services office at 404-688-5048.

IMMUNIZATION
The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia requires that all students enrolling at Georgia State University for the first time submit proof of immunity to measles, mumps and rubella. Information on the regulation and a certification form will be mailed out at the time of acceptance. This certification form must be on file before a student will be allowed to register.

ADMISSION TO THE BAR
Receipt of a law degree does not entitle a student to be admitted to the bar. Each state has its own bar registration and admission rules. A number of states require that a student register with the state's board of bar examiners at the beginning of law study in order to be eligible to take the bar examination. Some states prohibit the practice of law by persons who have been convicted of certain criminal offenses.

The College of Law will attempt to provide students with the information necessary for bar registration. However, the final responsibility rests with the student to ensure that all requirements are met.
TUITION AND MATRICULATION FEES
Resident students are required to pay matriculation fees. A student who is a legal resident of the state of Georgia according to the regulations of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and who has been a legal resident of the state for at least 12 months preceding the date of registration must pay resident matriculation fees. These fees are payable before a student is officially registered each semester. The College of Law matriculation fee is $101 per semester hour.

Each nonresident student who has not been a legal resident of the state of Georgia under the regulations of the Board of Regents for at least 12 months preceding the last day to register without penalty will pay the following matriculation and tuition fees before the student is officially registered:

- Matriculation fee: $101 per semester hour
- Tuition: $253 per semester hour
- Total: $354 per semester hour

All tuition and other fees are subject to change by the Board of Regents without advance notice.

SPECIAL FEES
Class Deposit
To reserve a place in the incoming class, an accepted applicant must submit a deposit according to the terms set forth in the acceptance letter.

Mandatory Student Fees
In addition to the tuition and matriculation fees, Georgia State University charges student fees each semester that are used to implement a variety of programs, as follows:

- Activity: $118.25
- Athletics: $62.25
- Health Services: $15.00
- Recreation: $52.50
- Transportation: $10.50
- Total: $258.50

Summer semester fees are lower, totaling $188.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS
The College of Law awards a number of scholarships and nonresident fee waivers to students of superior scholarship and good character who are accepted for admission to the first-year class. After the first year, continuation of
aid will be contingent on several factors, including, but not limited to, superior achievement in the study of law. All applicants, once accepted, are considered for the various scholarships and waivers. In addition, research assistantships are available to qualified students. Available scholarships are listed below.

Attorney’s Title Guaranty Fund
This is awarded to a student who demonstrates high academic achievement in all real estate related courses, commitment to the highest standards in real estate practice and personal integrity. The application process begins in February. This student is selected by the College of Law Scholarships Committee.

Atlanta Law School Fellows Program
This scholarship is awarded to first-year students who demonstrate need and high academic achievement. Students are selected by the trustees of the Atlanta Law School. Applications are mailed to admitted applicants.

Dean’s Scholars Fund
These merit-based scholarships are awarded to the top entering students. The award recipients are chosen by the College of Law Admissions Committee.

Georgia Civil Justice Foundation Scholarship
This scholarship is awarded to a student in the College of Law who is in good academic standing and shows a propensity toward and skill in trial advocacy. The application process begins in February. The student is selected by the College of Law Scholarships Committee.

Law School Scholarship Fund
This scholarship is awarded to a student who demonstrates need and merit. Students for these scholarships are selected by the College of Law Scholarships Committee.

Public Interest Law Scholarship
This scholarship is awarded to a College of Law student in good standing who locates a legal job with a nonprofit or appropriate governmental agency. The Selection Committee of the Georgia State Public Interest Law Student Organization selects these students.

Regents’ Opportunity Scholarship
These scholarships are awarded to Georgia residents who demonstrate need. The College of Law Scholarships Committee selects the recipients of this scholarship. Complete the financial aid packet available in the Office of Student Financial Aid.

The Trammell Foundation
Outstanding Tax Clinic Student Award
This award is presented yearly to the Tax Clinic student who provides the best service to the clinic based on interviewing skills, the quality of research and the ability to present a case to the Internal Revenue Service.

FINANCIAL AID
The Office of Student Financial Aid provides financial assistance to students who without such help would be unable to attend the university. Students in need of financial aid are urged to complete the U.S. Department of Education’s Free Application for Federal Student Aid as early as possible. The suggested completion date for priority consideration is May 1 for the fall semester.

Financial aid applications and information concerning Law Access Loans and Law Loans are available from the Office of Student Financial Aid, College of Law, Georgia State University, P.O. Box 4040, Atlanta, GA 30302-4040; or by calling 404/651-2227.
APPLICATION

BEGINNING TERM:

First-Year student (fall only)  Guest student
Transfer student  Special student

PROGRAM (number in order of preference):

Full time, six semester  Part time, nine semester
   Day only  Day only
   Day/Evening  Day/Evening
   Evening only

Dates LSAT Law School Admission Test taken

LIST ALL DATES

STUDENT INFORMATION (Please type or print clearly in ink.)

1. Name
   LAST  FIRST  MIDDLE  PREFIX

2. Social Security No

3. Present/school address
   City/State/ZIP

4. Permanent address
   City/State/ZIP
   E-mail address

5. Telephone numbers
   Home  Business

6. Birthplace

7. Birthdate

8. Gender*  Female  Male

9. Ethnic group (optional)*
   - American Indian/Alaskan Native  Hispanic
   - Asian/Pacific Island  White (not of Hispanic origin)
   - Black (not of Hispanic origin)  Multiracial

* Georgia State is required to report data on ethnic groups and gender to certain federal and state agencies, as those data relate to civil rights compliance. The provision of this information by applicants is not mandatory.
RESIDENCY

10. Are you a legal resident of Georgia?
   ○ Yes  ○ No
   
   If yes, give county of legal residence ____________________________

11. How long have you continuously resided in Georgia?
   Years _______________ Months _______________
   
   From __________________ To __________________

12. Do you have the following items?

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13. Were you counted as a tax dependent by parents (guardians) in the past year?
   ○ Yes  ○ No
   
   If yes, complete the following:
   Name of parent (guardian) ____________________________
   State of legal residence __________________________ Length of residency __________
   Employer _________________________________________ Length of residency __________
   Location _________________________________________ Length of employment __________

14. Are you a veteran?  ○ Yes  ○ No
   Home of record while in military service __________________________
   Service dates ____________________________________________
   
   To which state were earnings reported? __________________________

15. Are you a U.S. citizen?  ○ Yes  ○ No

16. If you are not a U.S. citizen, indicate the country of citizenship __________________________
   Visa type __________________________________________
   ○ Requested  ○ Currently held

17. If you are a permanent resident alien, provide your alien number
   Date issued __________________________________________
   
   (Attach copy of I-551 or permanent resident card.)

FEDERAL AND STATE LAW DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

Federal and state laws require all colleges and universities receiving federal funds to establish certain programs, policies and procedures, and to distribute an annual report describing them and providing statistics regarding graduation rates, drug, alcohol and weapon violations; and certain crimes on campus, which include murder, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft and sex offenses. Georgia State University's annual report and information regarding these programs, policies, procedures and statistics are available upon a written request directed to the Georgia State University Department of University Relations, Suite 503, University Plaza, Atlanta, GA 30303-3083.
EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT

18. Have you ever attended any law school?  
   Yes  No  
   If your answer is yes, explain why you did not complete the program. Also have a  
   transcript of your grades sent to Georgia State University College of Law along with a  
   letter of good standing.

19. List in chronological order all colleges and universities you have attended. All law schools  
   you have attended must be listed. Use a separate sheet if necessary.

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20. Have you previously applied for admission to Georgia State University College of Law?  
   ☐ Yes  ☐ No  
   If yes, when?  
   What was the final status of application?

21. Have you previously applied for other admission to Georgia State?  
   ☐ Yes  ☐ No  
   If yes, when?  
   What was the final status of application?

22. Are you currently enrolled in a postsecondary institution?  
   ☐ Yes  ☐ No  
   If yes, what will be your last term?  
   Name of institution  

23. Has your college, university, graduate or professional school course of study been  
   interrupted for one or more terms for any reason?  
   ☐ Yes  ☐ No  
   If yes, please explain on a separate sheet of paper.

24. Provide a description of all positions held and duties performed. Use a separate sheet  
   only if necessary.

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SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

25. Attach a list of all scholastic honors you have received (prizes, awards, scholarships, memberships in honor societies, etc.)

26. If you wish, attach a list of no more than three extracurricular or community activities that have been important to you. Describe each activity and your contribution to that activity.

27. Are you aware of any circumstances in your background that would or might prohibit you from admission into the practice of law?

☐ Yes    ☐ No

28. Have you ever been convicted of any criminal charges (felony or misdemeanor) or entered a plea of nolo contendere to a criminal charge, or are any criminal charges pending or expected to be brought against you? Exclude only minor traffic offenses, e.g., parking violations. Convictions or pending charges for driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs are not minor traffic offenses for the purpose of this question.

☐ Yes    ☐ No

29. Have you ever been expelled, suspended, or placed on academic probation or discipline by any school, college, trade or professional organization for academic reasons or judicial conduct code violation?

☐ Yes    ☐ No

If the answer to questions 27-29 is yes, attach a statement of details and explanations.

I certify that the information provided on this application is true, to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that any omission or misrepresentation of facts or failure to furnish information will automatically invalidate consideration of this application and/or acceptance to Georgia State University. Applicants admitted based on applications containing misrepresentations may be disciplined under the Honor Code of the College of Law. I agree to obtain a copy of the Honor Code and abide by the rules and regulations.

_________________________________________  ____________
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT                   DATE

EDUCATOR/EMPLOYER RECOMMENDATION REQUESTS

Two references are required for the completion of your application. References from instructors at the college or university level who are familiar with your academic performance and potential as a law student are strongly preferred. If it is not feasible for you to obtain two academic references, an employer or supervisor with whom you have worked closely in the recent past would be a desirable alternative. Indicate below the names and addresses of the persons to whom you have submitted the Educator/Employer Recommendation Requests.

Name of recommender __________________________
Address __________________________________________
City/State/ZIP ___________________________

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I understand that these documents for admission become the property of Georgia State University College of Law and will not be released, amended or duplicated for any consideration outside admission processing required by the College of Law.

_________________________________________  ____________
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT                   DATE

NAME (PRINT) ___________________________  DATE ____________
Georgia State University

EDUCATOR/EMPLOYER RECOMMENDATION REQUEST

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT FOR ADMISSION

Name of applicant:

Social Security No.

Undergraduate college:

APPLICANT'S WAIVER OF RIGHT OF ACCESS TO CONFIDENTIAL STATEMENT

I hereby freely and voluntarily waive my right to any information contained in this recommendation form and agree that the statement attached to this form shall remain confidential.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

THE RECOMMENDATION (Attach statement of recommendation)

This recommendation relates to the applicant's scholastic ability, work habits, initiative, dependability, thoroughness, persistence and similar characteristics. It is important that the recommendation be candid and as specific as possible. Brief letters in general terms are of little value. The letter should state the extent of your acquaintance with the applicant and your evaluation of him or her should be with respect to the applicant's ability and work characteristics in law study. Any specific knowledge favorable or adverse will be appreciated.

Because of federal legislation giving students access to educational records, the College of Law cannot guarantee the confidentiality of your statement unless the applicant has signed the waiver printed above.

Please complete the information below and return this form attached to your letter of recommendation to the applicant. No action can be taken on this student's application for admission until this form is returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature on the seal. Recommendations must be received by March 15, 1998, at the very latest.

Name of recommender:

Title:

Institution:

Address:

City/State/ZIP:

SIGNATURE

DATE

APPLICANTS: PLEASE PHOTOCOPY

Your application requires two recommendations. Please photocopy this form.
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FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Georgia State's area code is 404 and its prefix is 651.

College of Law General Information 2048

Admission 2048
Career Planning and Placement 2062
Disability Services 1487
Financial Aid 2227
International Student Services 2209
Immunization Office 1171
Law Library 2479
Parking Information 2150
Residency Questions 4048
Student Bar Association 2060
University Information 2000

For information on the Law School Admissions Test, call Law Services at 215.968.1001.

Please visit our Web site:
http://gsulaw.gsu.edu/