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Miller endowment gift honors Dean Johnson

Henry J. Miller, an attorney with Alscon & Bird, has donated $750,000 to the Georgia State University College of Law in honor of his longtime friend and the law school's founding dean, Ben F. Johnson Jr. The gift is the largest private donation since the law school was founded in 1982.

"This generous gift will resonate in legal and academic circles as showing trust and confidence in the College of Law," said Dean Janice C. Griffin. "It makes a statement that our law school, which takes great pride in its community outreach, has firmly established itself as a contender that leaves its mark on legal education."

Miller made the substantial donation to create an endowed chair in law with the hope that it would be matched with $250,000 from the Georgia Eminent Scholars Endowment Trust Fund, a fund supported by the state of Georgia and held in trust by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. While the trust fund has been successful in attracting top experts in the fields of science and technology, Georgia State's College of Law has yet to match the endowment gift.

"Dean Johnson is the one who is responsible for this college and so I named it (the endowment gift) for him."
—Henry Miller

From left: Bob Edye, Euruschard Foundation, President; Dean Janice C. Griffin, Ben F. Johnson Jr., Dean Janice C. Griffin; and Henry J. Miller, Alscon and Bird.

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DEAN'S MESSAGE

Henry J. Miller's generous gift to the College of Law so endow an eminent scholar chair in law in honor of our founding dean, Ben F. Johnson Jr., touches each of us in different ways. It certainly has caused me to reflect upon the humanity and special nature of a person willing to make such a sizable gift in the name of another person. Given Mr. Miller's outstanding record of civic accomplishments and his commitment to our profession, I am not surprised, however, by his decision to honor a person who was an indispensable catalyst in setting the college on a course that has resulted in excellence and achievement. Mr. Miller exemplifies the "lawyer-statesman" Dean Anthony Tuleen popularized in his book, The Lost Lawyer. He cares about his city, his state, his country, and, fortunately for us, the Georgia State University College of Law.

Mr. Miller's gift will memorialize the legacy of our first dean, who envisioned that the college would strongly connect to its urban neighbors and provide leader-
ship to address some of the state's most pressing issues. Clearly essential to his vision was a law school that opened its doors to both part-time and full-time students. From the outset, he stressed the pursuit of excellence from both faculty and students. Each of the original six professors possessed unique strengths in central areas. Members of the first class still talk today of how Dean Johnson exhorted them to do their best.

Mr. Miller's brilliant legal mind and his strong acumen for wise decisions and sound investments are widely acknowledged. Receiving a gift from a man of his stature demonstrates great confidence in the law school. The college is indeed proud of this mark of trust in its ability to provide cutting-edge, quality legal education.

I am sure this gift will inspire others to see the difference that charitable giving can make to an educational institution. It will make possible the first eminent scholar in law in the state of Georgia. At present only a few eminent scholars in the science and technology areas reside at Georgia State.

An eminent scholar in residence will play a significant role in expanding our legal knowledge. In sharing expertise in the classroom, and in collaborating with other professors in their research, the scholar's activities and presence here will enrich Georgia and the greater Atlanta community. Many of the most promising students will be attracted to attend our law school in which an eminent scholar resides.

Henry J. Miller has caused each of us to look at the College of Law in a brighter, broader light.

James C. McClendon
would be the first public law school to attract an eminent scholar in the field of law. Miller is a magna cum laude graduate of Emory University and a 1929 graduate of the Harvard University Law School. He became associated with the law firm that was the predecessor to Alston & Bird, an association that has lasted more than 50 years. He has been called "the most brilliant legal mind in the Southeast." This brilliance was demonstrated when he left open the legal discipline of the endowed chair, saying he hoped to enable the College of Law to respond to the evolving challenges in legal education.

Miller told the Atlanta Business Chronicle that he made the donation to thank his firm's charitable foundation for funding the Henry J. Miller Distinguished Lecture Series at the College of Law for the past 11 years. In addition, Miller wanted to pay high tribute to his friend, Ben F. Johnson Jr. Johnson, former dean of the Emory University School of Law, is credited as a major player in the push to create a public law school in downtown Atlanta with a strong part-time program. Dean Johnson was a deputy assistant attorney general from 1955 to 1961, and served as a state senator from Dekalb County from 1965 to 1969.

Johnson saw the College of Law through various phases of construction and is recognized for recruiting an outstanding faculty and outstanding first class of students. Under his leadership, the college attained accreditation from the American Bar Association after its first year of operation. The graduates of the first class have reported that Johnson's insistence upon excellence resulted in an extremely high pass rate for them on the Georgia Bar examination.

It is widely agreed that the success now enjoyed by the College of Law is directly attributable to the excellent foundation created by Dean Johnson. The creation of the Ben F. Johnson Jr. Chair in the law is a fitting tribute to the legacy left by our founding dean.

"This endowed gift is a blessing for Georgia State and those of us whose primary intent was to bring the College of Law into existence."

Dean Emeritus Ben F. Johnson, Jr. (left) shares a smile with his good friend, Henry J. Miller, at a luncheon celebrating Miller's endowment gift.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW
Thrower awarded for public service

The College of Law presented its 10th Ben F. Johnson Jr. Public Service Award to Randolph W. Thrower at a ceremony held in April. The college was honored to present the award to Thrower, whose lifelong and legal career exemplifies the high tradition of selfless public service established by the college's founding dean, Ben Johnson. Several prominent attorneys spoke about Thrower's commitment to public service. Jarvis Levenson of Arnall, Golden & Gregory was a student of both Thrower and Johnson while at Emory Law School. "Randolph Thrower sets a high standard for all of us," Levenson said.

With common interests in public service, the paths of Johnson and Thrower have been inexorably drawn together. Thrower's graduation from Emory Law School as first in his class in 1935 was strong encouragement for Johnson to follow suit in 1939. Johnson also finished law school during difficult economic times, so while he represented the

From left: Dean Emeritus Ben F. Johnson Jr., Dean Janice C. Griffith and Randolph W. Thrower.

best and brightest of his graduating class, he had difficulty finding a job. Johnson called his mentor, Thrower, an attorney with Sutherland, Tuttle & Brennan (predecessor to Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan). Thrower arranged for Johnson to be interviewed by Judge Ethert P. Tuttle, after whom Johnson was hired.

Nathaniel Langdale, Georgia State's president from 1967 to 1987, invited Thrower to serve on the advisory committee for creating a law school on the Georgia State. Thrower, who served on the committee for several years stated, "I strongly believed Atlanta needed a first-rate ABA-accredited law school in the central city. Ben was chosen to be the first dean, which ensured the success of the law school."

Thrower, a member of the college's Tax Clinic Advisory Committee, was a U.S. Commissioner of Internal Revenue from 1969 to 1971 and a member of the Commissioner's Advisory Committee in 1983. A member of the college's Board of Visitors, Thrower has served as trustee on the boards of several universities and colleges and is past chair of the Ethics Committee of the City of Atlanta.

A past president of the American Bar Foundation and member of its Executive Committee for ten years, Thrower has served as a long-time member of the American Bar Association House of Delegates, past chair of the Section of Taxation, member of the Commission on Taxpayer Compliance, the Task Force on Minorities in the Law, the Resource Development Committee and as a member of the Council of the Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities. "Through the positive example of his own career, Thrower has demonstrated that public service is part and parcel of being a lawyer and shaping a personally rewarding career in law," said James Hennderan III, managing partner of Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan.

Thrower was a member of the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession from 1982 to 1992 and the State Bar of Georgia's Committee on the Involvement of Women and Minorities in the Profession. Patricia Thrower-Barmeyer, partner at King & Spalding, said about her father's trailblazing support of women in law: "It was not that he gave them any special treatment, but that he treated them like he treated other lawyers: with seriousness, with interest in what they thought and with respect."

Thrower also serves on the Advisory Council of the United States Court of Federal Claims and was past president of the Claims Court Bar Association. He has served as president of the Atlanta Bar Association, the Atlanta Lawyers Club and the Atlanta Legal Aid Society.
Professor E.R. Lanier led a group of students and faculty on the first ABA-accredited Austrian-American Transnational Comparative Dispute Resolution Program. This summer, Lanier has led the program since its inception in 1994, but the new ABA accreditation allows any regularly enrolled law student from any accredited law school in the country to participate. The 1999 program featured Dr. Kurt Weller, Constitutional Court Justice and leading authority on international law. The 1998 program featured Dr. Kun Meller, Constitutional Court Justice and leading authority on comparative law.

The program provides students with a formal opportunity to study civil dispute resolution in an international and comparative context. It exposes them through curricular and extracurricular educational experiences, to both conventional litigation and commercial arbitration in a continental civil law (especially Austrian) context. The program consists of two separate semester-hour seminars: European Civil Litigation and European International Commercial Arbitration.

**Blasi named Tax Freedom Fighter**

United States Senator Paul Coverdell honored Professor Ron Blasi, founder and director of the College of Law’s Tax Clinic, with the first Tax Freedom Fighter Award at a ceremony in April. The award is expected to be presented annually to citizens who demonstrate extraordinary service to American taxpayers.

"Most of the working poor audited by the Internal Revenue Service end up paying more tax than they actually owe," said Blasi. "And among the low-income taxpayers assisted at the Tax Clinic, about 90 percent pay less than the IRS claims is due."
**Economics expert joins faculty**

The College of Law welcomes Shubha Ghosh, who joined the faculty this summer. He will teach Torts and electives such as Antitrust and Law and Economics.

Ghosh will help to expand the college's curriculum with his record of expertise in economics. He moved to Atlanta from Oklahoma City University School of Law, where he taught Corporations, Intellectual Property, Law and Economics, and Quantitative Methods.

Ghosh attended Amherst College and was an Amherst Memorial Fellow in Economics. He graduated cum laude in 1984, earning a B.A. degree. In 1986, he received his Ph.D. in economics from the University of Michigan and became an assistant professor of economics at the University of Texas at Austin. In 1999, he began his legal studies at Stanford Law School.


**Dempsey delivers keynote address**

Judge Alfred J. Dempsey, chosen by the graduating class as the person they would most like to hear, delivered the keynote address at the Spring Hooding Ceremony in June. A College of Law Externship Program supervisor, Dempsey began his address by recognizing the members of the graduating class who had served as extern students under his supervision. He stated, "These are the finest young minds with whom I’ve ever had the privilege of working. They reflect credit upon the College of Law."

Dempsey’s persuasive address to the graduates, "The hope and future of our land and our people," focused upon the importance of integrity and commitment in upholding ethics in the practice of law. He cleverly used anecdotes and references to blues lyrics to demonstrate his powerful message. He also encouraged the graduates to volunteer their time and skills to the community stating, "Enlightened lawyers understand that to be a true professional, they must give something back to the community from which they derive their livelihoods."

Judge Alfred J. Dempsey was appointed by the governor in 1995 to the Superior Court of Fulton County, where he presides over civil, domestic, equity and felony criminal cases. In 1996, Dempsey was elected to a four-year term, receiving 76 percent of the votes cast, the largest margin statewide in any contested judicial race.

Approximately 1,750 people attended the Spring Hooding Ceremony, including 120 graduates. Professors Andrea Curcio, Mary Radford and Roy Sobelson were selected by the graduates to serve as the Hooding Team.

Judge Alford J. Dempsey: "Integrity. Don’t practice law without it."
Professor Norman Crandell to retire in December

Professor Norman Crandell will retire from the College of Law in December, after more than 16 years of service. Crandell was hired by the college's founding dean, Ben F. Johnson Jr., in 1982 as one of the college's six founding faculty members. Crandell couldn't refuse the teaching offer by a dean whose career he respected, and the challenge of being one of the college's founding faculty members was alluring. "It just seemed like a God-given opportunity. What I found intriguing was to be on the start of a law school."

"I consider Norman an excellent teacher in coursework, but beyond that he has made a momentous contribution in matters of extracurricular activities and concern for students. Norman, on his own initiative, took on the task of developing and coaching a Moot Court competition program and we all know well of his contributions in that respect to the quality of our students and our program of legal education," said Dean Emeritus Ben F. Johnson Jr. Crandell has

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As one of the original six professors, he took a chance on the College of Law, along with many of us. By beginning and taking responsibility for building a first-class Moot Court Program at the college, Professor Crandell has left a tremendous legacy. He will be missed.

Pat Furey, ’85

His confidence in me gave all the encouragement I needed to complete law school and accomplish all my goals.

Sandra M. Bourdon, ’85

"I am indebted to Professor Crandell and to Moor Court with which he has brought about a change, to a sense of humor and our common sense."

Jake Waldrop, ’85

"I still remember the moment in time when my opinion of Professor Crandell changed drastically and I realized that behind that inauspicious facade was a teacher with an intense love for and dedication to his students. I traveled with Professor Crandell and my teammates to an out-of-town Moot Court competition. As soon as we got there he opened his trunk and extricated a pod, which he had brought along for our use in practicing for oral arguments. He set the podium up in his hotel room and invited us to come by and practice. The first round of arguments took place that evening, and we did very well. Immediately after oral arguments, Professor Crandell was ready to help us sift our arguments and get ready to argue the other side. Somewhere around midnight, I decided to review my entire oral argument. I got out two or more manilla folders and stapled them together. Then I reworked my roadmap and reorganized my notes cards containing relevant case law. I was working at a table in Professor Crandell’s hotel room, and he sat prepped up at the head of the bed listening intently to my oral argument, as I delivered it over and over again. I asked him several times if he was tired and if I should leave, but he insisted that he was not tired and wanted to help.

"By 3 a.m., I had my arguments fine-tuned to perfection, so I stood up to the podium to argue one more time. I looked down at my road map, took a deep breath, then smiled and started out, ‘May it please the Court.’ When I looked up Professor Crandell was fast asleep. It was then that I realized how much he really cared about his students and his Moot Court team.

Professor Crandell did not stop caring about the development of my oral advocacy skills once I graduated. Shortly after graduation, I had the opportunity to argue for the first time before the Georgia Court of Appeals. I was both excited and terrified. Just as Professor Crandell had taught me to do, I took out two manilla folders, stapled them together and proceeded to lay out my road map and fill in note cards with relevant case law.

"By 10 p.m. I got cold feet so I picked up the phone and called Professor Crandell. To my dismay, he was not home, but I left a message for him. By 11 p.m. I gave up hope that he would call. Minutes later the phone rang and sure enough, it was Professor Crandell. Without any unnecessary ado, he said, ‘Give me your arguments.’ So I delivered my entire argument over the phone. He asked me a hundred questions until I knew my argument backwards and forwards, and once again, we stayed up half the night until I was ready to go. The best part was that I only had to learn one side of the argument!"

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In the areas of Contracts, Legislation, Appellate Advocacy and Moot Court, Graduates will remember him most. However, for his role as adviser, since 1984, Crandell has served as co-faculty adviser to the Moot Court Board. Since 1982 as faculty adviser to the Phi Alpha Delta Fraternity; and from 1985 to 1988 as faculty advisor to the Student Bar Association. When asked about his fondest memory of teaching at Georgia State, Crandell answered: "The interactionism with Moot Court team members. You could really see people develop from their first efforts in Moot Court all the way through a competition."

Professor Norman Crandell and Lesli Settii ’94

"I have been back to argue before the Court of Appeals several times, and each time I go into the marble palace, I pause for a moment to think of Professor Crandell and his dedication to his students. I am no longer terrified to stand up before the Court of Appeals and argue my case, because I now realize that having endured two years with Professor Crandell, anything is a breeze!"

"Professor Crandell, congratulations on your retirement, and thank you for helping me polish my oral skills."

Lesli Settii, ’94
President's Letter

Dear Fellow Graduate:

It is with great pride that I write to you about the recent activity of the Graduates Association. In June, immediate past president David White presented the first Graduates Association Award for Outstanding Service to the College of Law to a member of the college’s first graduating class of 1985, Pat Tate. I hope that you will read more about Pat and her contributions to the College of Law in the article above.

I would like to personally thank the members of the Graduates Association Service Award Committee, who worked diligently this past winter and spring to plan and implement a wonderful awards program. David White, Bonnie Miller, Irene Munn Jacobsen, Nan Nigby, Don Wyant, Board of Visitors Chair, Vickie Brown, Career Services Director, Sandy Mayfield, Development Director, Lori Winklemann and Mario Leach each contributed to the success of the first award, a program I hope will continue in future years.

The Graduates Association also recognizes with great appreciation the contributions made by the immediate past president, David White, to the Graduates Association and to the College of Law. I also would like to take this opportunity to thank Bill Cornwell, ’85; Pat Tate, ’85; Peggy Walker, ’86; Jim Zito, ’86; Nicole House, ’89; and Stacey Routh, ’89, who have completed their terms as class representatives. Thank you very much for a job well done!

In the coming months, the classes of 1988 and 1993 will celebrate their 10-year and 5-year reunions. The reunions present graduates with the opportunity to renew old friendships and create new ones with both classmates and faculty members. Invitations will be mailed to members of the classes of...
1985 Deborah Wolf, president of All Medical Personnel Services, a medical personnel placement specialty company, launched Working Woman's Inc., a volunteer organization that gathers clothing for women who want to work but can't afford the appropriate attire. For more information about volunteering or donating clothing, call 404-330-4625.

1986 Bill Cornell and Leslie Cornell, Jr., relocated to Boca Raton, Fla., and opened their own general practice office.

Reverend Gregory D. Goodyear is the pastor of the Catholic Church of St. James in Dallas.

Roy L. Moore was selected as one of six "Gospel Teachers for 1986" by the University of Chicago's Alpha Association. His new book, Live of Abraham and Paul Aurilium, was published by Lawrence Edizioni. The missalettes are Ronald Kapler and 19th Collins.

1987 Allen M. Tapp Jr. was a delegate to the 1986 Republican National Convention. He is a judge advocate in chief and commander of the Georgia Division of the Sons of Confederate Veterans.

James C. Whitehorse announces the opening of his law office in Columbus, Ga. His practice includes general civil practice, litigation, real estate, workers' compensation and general business law (803-774-1234). John Williams Whitehorse, was born October 14, 1947.

1988 Jan Brady McDavid is the first general counsel of Smart Corp.

Barbara Leggett Porter became corporate counsel for CongoVest Inc. in June 1987. CongoVest Inc. is an international company dealing with both short- and long-term commercial leasing. Her work entails negotiations with prospective lessors; revisions and completion matters of lease agreements; related agreements, addendums, etc., and continual legal research in the areas of lease abandonment, commercial real estate, related corporate issues and various equitable legal matters. Ms. Whitehorse joined the firm of Fromm in May 1976.

Jody Paskin addressed a United Nations Conference in Geneva, Switzerland, where she was actively involved in the drafting of a declaration of rights for indigenous peoples. The conference will conclude over the next several years. Paskin began a new job with the Suffolk County Solicitor's office handling appellate matters and specializing in domestic violence. The Boston Law Journal, for mistakenly printing in the last issue that Ms. Paskin is unaffiliated with J. Landeck and Associates, P.C.

1989 Morgan G. Adams opened his law firm and hired another attorney. The firm specializes in personal injury litigation in Tennessee and North Carolina and divorce and child custody cases in the state of Tennessee.

Dawn R. Smith continues her practice as education law and civil rights on a part-time basis. She and her husband, R. White, announce the birth of their son, Henry Jonathan White, born March 13, 1989.

1990 Tamie Coleman was elected district attorney of the 13th judicial Circuit and took office January 1, 1991.

Thomas H. Jankowski received a Doctorate of Science degree in the Management of Technology from the Georgia Institute of Technology in December 1997. He is the director of Strategic Sates and small tax initiatives for Bill Smith Corp. and president of the member of the State Bar of Georgia and the ADA.

1991 Kathleen Aderhold was re-elected President of the Georgia Association of Younger Lawyers Sections of the Savannah Bar Association.

Eleanor Miller Benson is a full-time professor specializing in domestic relations in state and federal civil cases. She also handles personal injury litigation. Her second daughter, Audrey Claire Benson, was born in June 1997.

David M. Bums formalized the firm of Cole, Bums, Cleek & Young, P.A. Benson's primary practice areas include corporate representation, commercial litigation and personal injury.

W. Henry Cleek IV formalized the firm of Cole, Bums, Cleek & Young P.A. Cleek's practice focuses on commercial litigation, personal injury and civil practice.

Lamont A. Davis announced the birth of his daughter, Sara Addie Davis, on June 25, 1996. She was also elected chair of the Section of Georgia Trial Section for the fiscal year 1996-98.

Sandra Gerald and her husband, Ron, welcomed their second daughter, Anna Cora Gerald, into the world on June 11. Their first daughter, Rachel, is now four. Sandra is currently a law student in Georgia College and she presently serves on the Vision and Accomplishments Committee of the State Bar.

Robin Josenhies has been elected chair of the Atlanta Bar Association's Environmental and Public Trust Section for 1998-99. She has been practicing at Alston & Bird since graduation.

Claire S. Neve has been appointed a magistrate judge for Rockdale County, Ga.

1992 Limwood Guin and Lisa Guin, Guin announces the birth of their first child, Rebecca Grace Guin, on February 1, 1992. She weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 21 inches long. She also works part-time as an independent real estate attorney in the Terrapin area. Limwood continues to practice employment law at the law firm of Bock, Ohy, Wilson & Rogers in Milledgeville.

Mark H. Murphy was appointed by the Superior Court Judges to serve as judge of the Juvenile Court at Bibb County, Ga. The circuit comprises Milledgeville, Putnam and Pulaski Counties.

David Van der Graaf is a recipient of the Seating the Standard for the Awards Awarded Wincher Health Network, where he is a former textile policy analyst.


1994 Dennis T. Blackmon represented two Woodruff County residents convicted of child molestation by the trial court. However, the Georgia Supreme Court reversed the decisions.

Carl P. Friesema, PC, recently completed his first term as a member of the)(_) 2nd Circuit, 1998-99.
Michelle R. Goszanski opened a solo practice in Dothan, Ala. Her practice includes immigration law, juvenile defense, criminal defense and other general trial practice areas. She has been practicing in Dothan since graduation.

Elmna Mabahin took a three-month sabbatical from Athens, Ga. to develop a new Women's Legal Aid Clinic in Athens for the American Bar Association's CELJU program.

Lesli R. Seta opened a new law firm, Lowerend, Speed & Cussey, LLC, in 1997 with four other attorneys. The firm has more grown in both practice areas.

Bret Weiner moved his practice from Harrisburg, Pa. to Allentown, Pa. & Locust, P.C., where he continues to practice in the areas of commercial real estate finance and corporate lending. Weiner was recently elected to serve on both the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee of the Younger Lawyers Section of the State Bar of Georgia.

1995
Brett Bier has a commercial litigation practice. He recently relocated from Uvalde, Texas and began his own law firm.

Scott Crowley is a partner at Biddle & Bower. Crowley's practice primarily focuses on bankruptcy, including products liability defense, medical malpractice defense, environmental defense and antitrust defense.

Cheryl Harris is an associate of the firm in New York. She specializes in civil rights, education law, employment law and personal injury.

Laura Jones French, a former assistant attorney general, is an associate with Smith, Currie, McElroy & Hiers, LLP, where she will focus her practice in general liability litigation.

Cliff Skillman was recently promoted to associate counsel at the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.

Michael Troupet, an associate with Thomas, Ridal, Maceys & Williams, LLP, is an associate at a firm before the United States patent and trademark office.

J. Nicole Thedt recently tried her first jury case and the jury returned a defense verdict. The case involved a rear-end collision between a soft tissue injury. The asserted a wrongful death claim and the jury determined that her client was not negligent. The case tried was before Judge Brown in Fulton County Court.

1994
Amy E. Cornilgton loves in Davie, Fla., near Miami and Ft. Lauderdale. She has worked as an insurance litigator for the Law Offices of Donald J. Stein, P.S., a real estate firm that represents banks and mortgage companies in foreclosure, bankruptcy, closings, etc. The firm has an own title company, 30 attorneys and 150 staff members.

Rebecca Crowley is a partner at Biddle & Bower. Crowley's primary practice areas include insurance defense and health care law.

Laura Schilling runs her own law practice in estate planning and corporate work. She is also working as a free-lance financial planner.

David L. Smith is an associate for Price, Pyles & Thomas, P.C. in Villa Rica, Ga., where he runs the firm's second office.

Michele Maria Young, assistant attorney general, is interested in the consideration of the attorney general's office.

1993
Jon S. Anh became a associate with Wilson & Smith, PC, in Houston. He has been practicing for 19 years. He was recently elected to serve on the Board of Governors.

Christopher S. Turner, who is in his second year at the University of Virginia, was recently elected to serve on the Board of Governors.

Kathryn Wisen has been appointed by the State Bar president at the Law Practice Management Section of the State Bar and was nominated to the 1998-99 Executive Council of the Younger Lawyers Section.
Joyner takes Administrative Services helm

Stephan Joyner has joined the College of Law staff as director of administrative services and computer support. In this capacity, he is responsible for computers, audio-visual services, records management, and other administrative functions in support of law faculty, staff and students.

Joyner has worked at Georgia State for a number of years as assistant director of academic assistance and most recently as assistant registrar for the university. As a member of the register, he worked with course scheduling and class assignments; the development and printing of the undergraduate and graduate catalogs; graduation anniversary, computerized database management; and the university's Distance Education and Technology Committee.

Joyner holds B.A. and M.P.A. degrees from Georgia State and is currently enrolled in the Ph.D. program in political science.

Associate Dean Robert Shiflet, who recruited Joyner for the position, says that the law school is both pleased and fortunate to have Joyner on staff.

"Many of the areas in which Stephen has worked on the university level have parallels in the College of Law. We particularly look forward to Stephen's experience with the university's classrooms to guide us in our own conversion of lecture halls to high-tech instructional facilities, with computer projection systems and computer paces for students to use their lectures."

Joyner replaces longtime employee Jim Grooms, who left Georgia State to pursue personal business interests in Charleston, S.C.