

ALUMNI NOTES

1983

PAUL KLEMOW has opened the Klemow Law Firm, P.A., in West Palm Beach, FL, where he lives. The firm focuses on estate planning, litigation and bankruptcy.

1985

WILLIAM C. CAMPBELL is president of the Massachusetts City Clerks Association and vice chairman of the U.S. Election Assistance Commission Standards Board. He lives in Woburn, MA, with his wife, Joanne, and their two children.

ROBERT SESTI is corporate counsel for SeniorBridge Family Companies in New York City. He is senior attorney at Sesti & Associates, PC, in New York City and an experienced commercial litigator. He lives in Scarsdale, NY.

1990

MARIE (THERIAULT) ROEBUCK is an assistant public defender with the Appellate Division in Providence, RI. She has two children, Grace, 8, and Lewis, 5.

1991

CHARLES J. FILARDI JR. started a solo practice in New Haven, where he focuses on civil litigation, dispute resolution and bankruptcy. He and his wife, Robin, live in Branford, CT, with their children, Ben, Theo and Charlotte.

1992

PHILIP H. BIELER married Ruth Hollander on April 2, 2006. The couple lives in Manhattan. He is the founder of the Bieler Group LLC in New York City.

THEMIS KLARIDES has been appointed deputy house minority leader in

Connecticut. Themis is a state representative serving her fifth term representing the towns of Woodbridge, Derby and Orange. She lives in Derby.

1993

JEFFREY BERMAN and his wife **SHERI (LUKASZEWICZ) BERMAN BA '93, JD '98**, announce the birth of a daughter, Victoria Madison, on Sept. 26, 2006. She joins older brother Joshua. The family lives in Hamden.

VINCENT CERVONI of Wallingford, CT, has been elected board chairman of the Hartford-based Nutmeg Big Brothers Big Sisters. He is an attorney with Gesmonde, Pietrosimone & Sgrignari LLC and serves as the assistant attorney for the town of East Haven.

1994

KEVIN LAWLOR was appointed state's attorney for the judicial district of Ansonia-Milford by the Connecticut Criminal Justice Commission. He lives in Hamden.

DAVID WIKSTROM was appointed to the Florham Park Town Council. He also was named co-chair of the Essex County Bar Committee on Products Liability. He is a partner with the firm Javerbaum Wurgaft, Hicks & Zarin, based in Springfield, NJ. He lives in Florham Park, NJ.

1995

JODI THOMAS was elected judge of probate for the Colchester-Lebanon probate district. She lives in Colchester, CT, with her husband, Ron Crabb, and their 3-year-old son, Dylan.

1996

JOHN CHIOTA and his wife **LYNN (MENDOKER) CHIOTA '96** announce the birth of a son, William Bryson, on

June 9, 2006. He joins brothers Andrew Harrison, 4, and Matthew Grayson, 6. John is an associate general counsel for Legg Mason and recently was promoted director of anti-money laundering. The family lives in Fairfield, CT.

JENNIFER LAVIANO and her husband, Christopher Swan, announce the birth of a daughter, Emilia Louise Swan, on May 31, 2006. Jennifer's practice focuses on securing appropriate special education programs from local agencies for children with autism and other disabilities. The family lives in Danbury, CT.

RONDIENE E. ROBINS-NOVITZ has been appointed managing partner of the New York office of Crusier & Mitchell, LLP. She specializes in commercial litigation, employment discrimination, civil rights and general liability matters. She lives in Melville, NY.

1997

NICHOLE (DABEKIS) CHOMIAK and her husband, Robert, announce the birth of a daughter, Olivia Christina, on June 16, 2006. She joins her older sister Ava, 2. They live in Southington, CT.

HEATH GURINSKY and his wife, Adaria, announce the birth of a daughter, Mallory Aron, on April 4, 2006. They live in Bronxville, NY.

WILLIAM MORGAN of West Hartford, CT, has retired from the State Capitol Police Department, where he served as chief. He was responsible for gaining state and national accreditation for the department.

BETHANY PHILLIPS married Jen Loo in December 2005. Bethany is an

associate with the law firm of Butler, Norris & Gold in Hartford. The couple lives in Glastonbury, CT.

VINCE RINALDI and his wife, **MARY PIA NASSER-RINALDI '96**, live in Humble, TX, with their son, Adam Marcus Vincent, 6.

1998

MICHAEL GINELLI has joined Deutsche Bank Securities as a director and head of product development for prime brokerage in the United States. He lives in Manalapan, NJ.

JENNIFER HILLGEN-SANTA and her husband, Michael, announce the birth of a daughter, Lorraine Foell, on Sept. 7, 2006. The family lives in Stratford, CT.

C. CHRISTIAN YOUNG '98 and **MARCELLA (IULIANI) YOUNG** announce the birth of a son, Nicholas John, on July 7, 2006. He joins his big brother Anthony Christian. The family lives in Orange, CT.

1999

ALICIA BROMFIELD-DUSZA and her husband, John, announce the birth of a son, John Frederick, on Jan. 19, 2006. They live in Guilford, CT.

MATTHEW KAYLOR has been elected to serve as a board member of the Lake Region Lakes Management District. He lives in Winter Haven, FL.

JENNIFER CHAPIN WOODS and her husband, Walker, welcomed a son, Barrett Corrigan. He joins big brother, Chapin Paxton. Jennifer is in private practice with Polsinelli Shalton Welte Suelthaus PC, in Kansas City, MO, where they live.

2000

JENNIFER (SIMBOSKI) ALLISON and her husband, **MATTHEW ALLISON '96**, announce the birth of a son, Benjamin Matthew, on July 24, 2006. The family lives in Rocky Hill, CT.

Author's story as old as time

Chris DeSantis '99 can say that time is on his side after writing a book titled *Clocks of New York: An Illustrated History* (McFarland 2006).

The book, which was five years in the making, is the first for DeSantis, who lives and works in New York City as a corporate law consultant. He initially planned to do a coffee table book with photographs of different New York City timepieces, but ended up chronicling the history of public clocks in New York City—the first book of its kind.

“One reason I chose to write about these clocks is to bring back public awareness of their splendor and architectural magnificence,” DeSantis says. “These days everyone has immediate access to time with the many electronic devices we carry. For past generations, however, public timepieces played an essential role in the scheduling of daily life.” He notes that his law school education prepared him for the extensive research required for the book.

Among the more than 200 clocks depicted in the book are the Delacorte Clock near Central Park Zoo, the clocks at Grand Central, the majestic tower clock on the Con Edison building, and the three-story-plus clocks on the 50-story MetLife Tower, which loom over Madison Square Park, just north of 23rd Street.

DeSantis also discusses the premiere Connecticut and New York City clock makers of the 19th and 20th centuries, such as the Ansonia Clock Company and the Self-Winding Clock Company, the heyday of American public clock making and the ever-increasing importance of clocks in American society.

DeSantis' favorites are a clock on a post at the corner of 5th Avenue and 44th Street and the Con Edison one. The post clock is the oldest in the city, and has been given landmark status by the New York's Landmarks Preservation Commission. The Con Edison clock was one of the first large clocks to be built anywhere in the world. “Frankly, I like the whole building, but I think that the clock tower is one of the more majestic sites in all Manhattan,” he said.

Vinit Parmar, a former lawyer who now teaches film at Brooklyn College, took the photographs for the book, which is sold at most New York City museums and is available at online booksellers.

DeSantis is currently writing two more books, both fiction. “After that, only time will tell.”—Lauren A. Egan



This clock
graces Tiffany
& Co.

2001

JAY HERSHMAN received the designation of certified relocation professional from the Employee Relocation Council after completing his CRP exam. He is an associate with Baillie Hall & Hershman P.C., which received the 2006 Connecticut Quality Improvement Award Innovation Prize. He lives in Cheshire, CT.

2002

DOMENIC COSTELLO was appointed resource officer at Newtown High

School in Fall 2006. He also will teach a class called Student Police Academy and discuss aspects of law enforcement. He has been a patrol officer for the Newtown Police Department. He lives in Stratford, CT.

CRAIG FISHBEIN BS '98, JD '02, recently was chosen Rotarian of the Year by the Wallingford (CT) Rotary Club. He also was elected to serve a two-year term on its board of directors and was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship in recognition of his

contributions to the club and the town of Wallingford, where he lives.

ZHUN LU will serve as director of the Asian-Pacific practice of Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz LLP in Wilmington, DE. He is an attorney in the firm's intellectual property practice. He lives in Hockessin, DE.

2003

ANGELO FRAMULARO II is the legal adviser for the Quinnipiac chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, which obtained its official charter this past April. He is an internal control manager with RBS National Bank in Bridgeport, CT. He lives in Trumbull, CT.

LIZ HOBLER married Kevin J. Smith on Oct. 7, 2006. **JENNIFER GIANETTI '03** was in the bridal party. The couple honeymooned in Fiji. They live in Yonkers, NY.

ANNE IEZZI has been appointed vice president and chief compliance officer of the investment products division at the Hartford Life Insurance Company. She lives in Cheshire, CT.

PETER MICHALSKI BS '00, JD '03, joined JP Morgan Chase as a mortgage banker in Manhattan. He lives in Bellerose Village, NY.

2004

RYAN BALTRUSH married Amy Y. Boisvert on June 3, 2006. He is an associate with Gregory and Adams, PC, in Wilton, CT. The couple lives in Thomaston, CT.

LESLIE and **ELIZABETH JENNINGS-LAX** announce the birth of a daughter, Caitlin Lee, on June 1, 2006. The family lives in Stratford, CT.

KATE SCHULER joined the commercial real estate group at Bingham McCutchen in Hartford, CT. She lives in Farmington, CT.

Lacman takes aim at Millionaire jackpot

After passing two bar exams, Larissa S. Lacman '05 said being a contestant on *Who Wants to be a Millionaire* was a piece of cake.

Lacman, who is in private practice with N. Warren Hess III in Naugatuck, contacted the game show on her lunch hour one day and a month later, was in New York as a contestant. She took a multiple-choice test to pre-qualify. The shows on which she appeared aired Sept 21 and 22, 2006.

She said law school gave her the resources to manage the stress involved with the process. "Nothing was more stressful than studying for the bar exam; this seemed like nothing after that," she said. Lacman passed both the Connecticut and Pennsylvania bars.

Lacman prepared for the show by memorizing facts on a variety of trivia from history to gemstones. The question that ended her stint had nothing to do with law, but with music. "Which of these musical groups are not brothers?"

- a. The Doobie Brothers
- b. The Allman Brothers
- c. The Isley Brothers
- d. The Everly Brothers

Unfortunately, Lacman did not choose The Doobie Brothers as her final answer, yet managed to walk away with \$16,000 in her pocket. She enjoyed meeting the other contestants, and she remarked that host Meredith Vieira made them all feel comfortable. During her time in New York, she even squeezed in a shopping trip to Chinatown.

Lacman is again focusing on real estate, probate and elder law, and she appears before judges rather than TV cameras, but she considers her stint on *Millionaire* an experience of a lifetime.—Lauren A. Egan



2005

STEVEN DEMOURA of Bethel, CT, recently joined the law firm of Pinney Payne, P.C. He is a member of the Portuguese Cultural Center in Danbury, CT, and plays on its soccer team.

2006

KATIE LEWIS BORDEAU is an associate with Halloran & Sage LLP in Hartford, CT. She lives in Wethersfield, CT.

KATHERINE HENRY of Washington, D.C., recently accepted a position as an associate with the Bailey Law Group there. She is with the firm's commercial leasing department and is outside counsel for an international company.

CHRISTOPHER NOVAK of New Haven, joined Halloran & Sage LLP in Hartford, CT, as an associate.

GREGORY PODOLAK married Jennifer Barone on Oct. 14, 2006. He is an associate with Saxe Doernberger & Vita, P.C. The couple lives in Hamden.

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Sincerely,

John J. Davenport '88
President, Executive Board, Quinnipiac University Law Alumni Association

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