Message from Interim Dean Keith Faulkner

Recently, we had the opportunity to welcome home our graduates from the classes of 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997, 2002, 2007, and 2012 for our annual reunion celebration at the law school. For many in attendance, the event was their first visit to our campus in Raleigh. Although we now make our home in Raleigh, let there be no doubt that we are proud of our history in Buies Creek, and we are proud of the tradition established there.

Administrators, faculty and staff members, students, and courses came and go in time, but Campbell Law continues to remain true to its heritage. Every Campbell Law student and graduate is a part of a special family, and we share strong bonds of experience and commonality that differ from those of other institutions. We should take pride in our unique community. It does not matter when you graduated, which campus you attended, who your dean was, when you passed the bar, or where you practice today. We are all Campbell lawyers.

One of the most proud traditions of our beloved institution is our lengthy history of bar exam success. In late August the results of the July 2012 North Carolina Bar Exam were released, and the Class of 2012 outperformed all other North Carolina law schools and led the state in both first-time bar passage and overall passage with a 94.53 percent bar passage rate. For 26 years now, we own the best overall record of success on the state bar exam of any law school in North Carolina. I hope that you see from the information included that the law school continues to thrive. Faculty, staff, and students are hard at work, always striving to improve Campbell Law and her legacy.

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“I’m so thrilled for the Campbell Law Class of 2012, an extraordinarily closely-knit and hard-working class,” said Campbell Law Professor Melissa Essay, who served as dean of the law school throughout the entire tenure of the Class of 2012. “Their work ethic, sense of community, and Campbell Law’s outstanding program of legal education combined to put them at the top. The Campbell Law Class of 2012 was my last graduating class as dean, and they have my heartiest congratulations.”

Campbell Law’s overall record of success on the North Carolina Bar Exam has been unsurpassed by any other North Carolina law school for the past 26 years.

2012 Alums Attend Swearing-In Ceremony

North State Bank sponsored lunch for Campbell Law students during both days of the July North Carolina Bar Exam.

Campbell Law alums took the Oath of Office with family, friends, and peers in attendance.

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CLASS OF 2002
Jennifer I. Oakes of Bell, Davis & Pitt, PA spoke with students in the Wake Forest University School of Medicine Physician Assistant Studies Program. Her topic was “Employment Agreements - Issues to Consider.”

CLASS OF 2007
Justin L. Mauney was inducted into the Cary High School Sports Hall of Fame.
Sharon G. Scudder opened her own firm, Scudder Law, in Atlantic Beach, N.C. The firm specializes in Civil Litigation, Workers Compensation, Contracts, and Local Government Law. Scudder also recently received certification as a Superior Court Mediator from the N.C. Dispute Resolution Commission.
Chandan Y. Shankar has joined The Richardson Firm in Fayetteville, N.C.

CLASS OF 2008
Lucy T. Austin and her husband, Richard, welcomed the birth of their daughter Abigail Scott Austin.
Kelly E. Baird has announced her engagement to Clayton Ray Moore.
Brad A. Salmon was introduced to the N.C. State Bar by former U.S. Senator Robert Morgan and sworn-in by Harnett County Clerk of Court Marsha Johnson at the Harnett County Courthouse.

CLASS OF 2012
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All donations towards Campbell Law’s clinical programs up to $115K will be matched, thanks to a generous grant from the Fletcher Foundation.
Campbell Law clinical programs include the Juvenile Justice Project and the Senior Law Clinic. Our students have the opportunity to “do justice” and help the underprivileged. Help us continue these great giving and learning opportunities for our students and community.

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Campbell Law and Campbell University’s College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences have partnered to offer a Juris Doctor / Master of Science in Public Health dual degree. The JD/MSPH program provides students with a unique interdisciplinary perspective of law and public policy. Graduates will enter the workplace prepared to represent clients, health organizations or systems, and serve in leadership roles in health policy at the national, state, county and local levels. This program takes four years to complete.
Trio of Alumni Honored as Leaders in the Law

Three Campbell Law School alumni have been honored as 2012 Leaders in the Law by North Carolina Lawyers Weekly. Donald W. Marcari (’85), Charles W. McKeller (’95), and Anthony J. Biller (’97) were each formally recognized during a reception at the Raleigh Marriott City Center on Sept. 19.

Leaders in the Law honorees represent the most influential individuals within North Carolina’s legal community that go above and beyond in their profession and community. Honorees are nominated by their colleagues, clients and other legal professionals and selected by a committee drawn from North Carolina Lawyers Weekly’s editorial department.

Marcari stands as majority shareholder, senior litigator, and managing partner at Marcari, Russotto, Spencer & Balaban, P.C., concentrating on plaintiff personal injury law and civil litigation. Marcari also handles veteran benefits claims, defends select military members in court martials and administrative proceedings, and directs mock trial teams for two high schools in Virginia Beach, Va.

A sole practitioner, McKeller concentrates on criminal and domestic work. In addition to serving on the Brevard City Council for a number of years, he is currently coaching Special Olympics and middle school soccer with the Brevard schools. McKeller is also very active with his church in numerous capacities.

Biller is a member at Coats & Bennett, PLLC, specializing in intellectual property. Biller also advises clients on licensing, content, brand management, and other IPR contracts, and trade secret issues. He has also taught classes in intellectual property as an adjunct faculty member at Campbell Law. Outside of law, Biller has served as a tribe chief in the YMCA Guide/Indian Princess Program, Cub Scout Den Leader, and soccer team coach.

West Named Director of Alumni Relations & Annual Giving

Megan West has been named director of alumni relations & annual giving at Campbell Law School. A 2010 Campbell Law graduate, West most recently served as an associate attorney at Martin & Jones in Raleigh.

As director of alumni relations & annual giving, West will work to develop and strengthen relationships with alumni and the community. She will also establish an alumni association for the law school, which will include local and regional chapters, plan alumni events and community service projects, and act as a liaison for alumni inquiries.

A native of Murphy, N.C., West graduated from Wake Forest University in 2007 with a B.S. in business. She then attended Campbell Law School, spending time as a student at both the Buies Creek and Raleigh campuses prior to graduating in 2010. As a student she served as a consulting editor for the Campbell Law Review, president of the Christian Legal Society, competed in moot court competitions, and was a research assistant for Professor Jean Cary and Professor Greg Wallace.

Since 2010, West has been serving as an associate attorney at Martin & Jones in Raleigh, representing clients in personal injury, products liability, and medical malpractice cases.

Browning, Pully, Sar, Story Join Board of Visitors

Christopher G. Browning, Jr., William A. Pully, Robert A. Sar, and Ashley H. Story have joined the Campbell Law School Board of Visitors.

Browning is a highly experienced litigator with a strong background in appellate practice, complex commercial litigation, business torts and government-related claims, and represents Williams Mullen’s Appellate team. He joined Williams Mullen after serving seven years as the first Solicitor General for the State of North Carolina. In this capacity, he argued four times before the United States Supreme Court and has multiple arguments before the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, the North Carolina Supreme Court and the North Carolina Court of Appeals. Browning established the policies and procedures for the Office of Solicitor General and the process for that office’s review and management of all civil appeals involving the State of North Carolina. Additionally, he served as an adviser to the North Carolina Attorney General.

Pully, a 1979 Campbell Law graduate, began serving as president of the North Carolina Hospital Association (NCHA) in September 1999. During his tenure as president, Pully has led the association in a number of initiatives including the creation of the North Carolina Center for Hospital Quality and Patient Safety. As the NCHA’s chief lobbyist for more than 15 years and president for the past 13, Pully has been involved in almost every major health care initiative in North Carolina during his tenure. Prior to becoming president, Pully was NCHA’s Senior Vice President and General Counsel.

A 1995 Campbell Law graduate, Sar is a shareholder and trial lawyer with the national labor law firm Ogletree Deakins, advising employers on employment practices and defending their interests throughout the country. He has litigated hundreds of lawsuits and successfully obtained many jury verdicts and arbitration awards. He co-leads the firm’s Ethics Compliance, Investigations and Whistleblower Response practice group, and leads internal investigations on behalf of management and corporate boards to respond to whistleblowers and government inquiries. Early in his career, Sar worked in the White House West Wing as an assistant to the Chief of Staff.

Story, a 1982 Campbell Law graduate, is the Managing Partner of the Raleigh office of Troutman Sanders. He also serves as the Real Estate Section Chief for the firm, as well as a member of the firm’s Executive Committee. He is admitted to practice in North Carolina and New York. Story has remained extremely close to Campbell Law School, working with the “Campaign for Raleigh” board during the campus transition from Buies Creek to Raleigh. He was also instrumental in coordinating a major contribution from Troutman Sanders to the law school, and was one of four Campbell alumni to receive the Campbell University Distinguished Alumni Award in 2011.

A dynamic group of legal and industry leaders, the Campbell Law Board of Visitors includes the Clerk of United States Supreme Court, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, the Vice President and Chief Counsel of Kellogg’s Employment, Labor and Intellectual Property, managing partners of national and regional law firms, and business leaders.
Old Kivett Advocacy Council Holds 2012 Richard A. Lord Moot Court Competition

Campbell Law’s Old Kivett Advocacy Council (OKAC) hosted the 2012 Richard A. Lord Moot Court Competition, Sept. 26 – Sept. 29, at the law school. Approximately 118 second-year students and 150 guest judges, including more than 70 Campbell Law alumni, participated in the action.

This year’s problem featured a legislative act, “The Drug Free Texifornia Act of 2010,” which was passed amidst the rising abuse of crystal methamphetamine in the fictional state of “Texifornia.” The Drug Free Act prohibited certain methods of advertising for products containing the active ingredient pseudoephedrine, which is used to produce crystal meth. Arguments were required to address two issues: first, whether a company that is subjected to a speech restriction may bring a pre-enforcement challenge to that statute if the Attorney General has stated that the provision will not be enforced and, second, whether the Drug Free Act’s in-store advertising provision infringes on the company’s First Amendment rights.

The final round was judged by the competition’s namesake, retired Campbell Law Professor Rick Lord, as well as The Honorable Robert H. Edmunds, Jr., Associate Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court, The Honorable Willis P. Whichard, former justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court and former dean of Campbell Law, and Timothy G. Nelson, associate at Brooks Pierce.

Katie Greene and Elizabeth Wilkinson were declared winners of the competition, while Harper Gwatney and Lily Van Patten also served as finalists. Mary Claire Brown and Sarah Edwards collected the Best Oralist award, while Brown also received the Rick Edmundson Award.

Comprised of 12 third-year and second-year students, the OKAC annually organizes the Richard A. Lord Intramural Moot Court Competition, the Campbell Law Negotiation Intramural Competition, and the Richard T. Bowser Intramural Client Counseling Competition.

Campbell Law Hosts U.S. Senator Burr

United States Senator Richard Burr paid a visit to Campbell Law School on Oct. 10. Senator Burr toured the law school before holding a discussion and question-and-answer session with more than 130 law school students, faculty, and staff members.

Professor Flanary-Smith Elected to N.C. Society of Health Care Attorneys Board of Directors

Campbell Law Assistant Professor Amy-Flanary-Smith has been elected to the North Carolina Society of Health Care Attorneys (NCSHCA) Board of Directors. Flanary-Smith was elected to a three-year term during the NCSHCA annual meeting on Sept. 28, in Chapel Hill.

“I am pleased and honored to be able to work with the Society leadership for the next three years,” said Flanary-Smith. “Past directors have fostered collegiality, professionalism, and education among health lawyers in North Carolina, and I look forward to continuing their work.”

An expert in legal discourse and advocacy, Flanary-Smith serves as the director of Campbell Law’s Legal Research & Writing Program, where she develops a comprehensive curriculum and leads weekly program instruction. Each year, several of Raleigh’s most outstanding practicing attorneys are selected to teach in the program, which allows students to learn about legal discourse in a small class setting while capitalizing on Campbell Law’s historic strengths of practical skills and compassionate advocacy.

An experienced health law attorney, Flanary-Smith holds both litigation and transactional experience. She has represented health care providers in all stages of litigation, from district court to the Supreme Court of North Carolina, and she frequently shares her expertise and consulting skills with North Carolina hospitals and physicians. Her scholarly interests include the intersections of patient competency, capacity, and consent with health care policy.

Interim Dean Faulkner Adds Two Community Posts

Campbell Law Interim Dean Keith Faulkner was recently appointed to serve on the Downtown Raleigh Alliance (DRA) Board of Directors for 2012, and elected president-elect of the Susie Sharp Inn of Court.

Faulkner stands as the second administrator from Campbell Law to participate on the DRA board, following professor and former dean Melissa Essay who served from 2009 to 2011. Additionally, he will serve as president-elect of the Susie Sharp Inn of Court for one year prior to being elevated to president.

Extremely active in the legal profession, Faulkner serves on many boards and on many bar related committees that include the American Bar Association Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar Annual Questionnaire Committee, the North Carolina Bar Association’s Professionalism Committee, the Wake County Bar Association’s Professionalism and Public Service Committees, and the North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services Board where he serves as treasurer.