Professor McQuade delivers commencement address at Korean law school

Campbell Law School Professor Stanley J. McQuade delivered the 2008 commencement address at Handong International Law School in Pohang, South Korea on Dec. 13.

Handong International Law School’s class of 2008 includes 46 students from various countries in Asia and around the world. Unique to Southeast Asia, Handong Law’s classes are taught in English as the school prepares students to take bar exams in the United States. Since it was founded, Handong Law graduates have achieved an impressive 100 percent passage rate on various U.S. state bar exams. Alan Button, former Professor at Campbell Law, became the Dean of Handong Law in the summer of 2008.

Dean selected as 2008 Woman Extraordinaire

Dean Melissa Essary was honored at Business Leader Media’s 2008 Women Extraordinaire Ceremony on Dec. 8 as one of the Triangle’s top ten female leaders.

According to Business Leader, a Woman Extraordinaire honoree must be a woman of outstanding accomplishment, a leader, innovator, problem-solver and inspiration and mentor to others.

This year’s award winners were chosen from a record number of nearly 300 nominations.

Essary, who joined Campbell Law as Dean in August of 2006, was selected for her leadership within the Law School and the School’s upcoming relocation to Raleigh. She was also recognized because of her involvement in the Raleigh community.

Joining Dean Essary at her table was a group of distinguished individuals that included her husband Larry Essary, N.C. First Lady Mary Easley, N.C. Supreme Court Chief Justice Sarah Parker, N.C. Secretary of State Elaine Marshall, Campbell University President Jerry Wallace and Progress Energy V. P. Hilda Pinnix-Ragland.

“Dean Essary’s influential work in bringing Campbell Law to Raleigh will have a positive impact on the community for years to come,” stated First Lady Easley. “She truly is a woman extraordinaire and I am honored to call her both a colleague and a friend.”

Essary was previously recognized by Business Leader as a 2007-08 Triangle Impact Leader and a 2008 Education Impact Leader.

Campbell Law to create senior law clinic

Progress Energy pledges $150,000 for start-up

Campbell Law School has announced the creation of a Senior Law Clinic to serve legal needs of low-income senior citizens in the greater Raleigh region. The clinic will offer substantive client experience for students and a valuable community service, and is slated to open during the Law School’s 2009-10 academic year.

Progress Energy will help launch the Senior Law Clinic through a $150,000 commitment to the Law School’s Campaign for Raleigh. This contribution is the first significant match to a million-dollar challenge grant issued by the A. J. Fletcher Foundation in September 2008. The Fletcher Foundation, led by Jim and Barbara Goodman, has pledged $1 million to the building campaign for clinical space on the campus.

The Senior Law Clinic, to be led by an attorney who specializes in elder law, will assist low-income seniors who might not otherwise be able to afford the services of a lawyer. The clinic will focus on issues such as simple wills, power of attorney and advanced directives, guardianship, abuse and neglect, housing, consumer fraud and other significant concerns. Cases will likely be generated from direct referrals, as well as through a partnership with Legal Aid of North Carolina.

“We look forward to working with Campbell Law and its students and faculty to serve an important and sometimes overlooked group throughout Raleigh and the Triangle,” said John McArthur, Executive Vice President and General Counsel at Progress Energy. “Our company strives to support organizations and programs in the communities where our employees and customers live and work.”

Campbell Law students featured in “Who’s Who”

Campbell Law School has announced that 30 current students will be included in the 2009 edition of Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.

Students were chosen based on academic achievement, community service, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. The students will join others from more than 2,000 institutions of higher learning across the country, as well as several foreign nations. Students include:


For more information, visit www.whoswhoamongstudents.com.

From the desk of Dean Melissa Essary

The past year has offered significant opportunities and challenges for Campbell Law School. As we begin the New Year, we are blessed to have an exciting new building project well underway, significantly increased student applications for admission in the fall of 2009, faculty committed to training the next generation of lawyers, and scores of alumni and friends who are working hard to ensure the success of this law school.

The coming year will be one of the most exciting in the history of Campbell Law School. We will work to keep you updated on the progress of the building project, student achievements, faculty news and alumni updates in the months ahead through the Campbell Law Brief and law.campbell.edu.

Best wishes for good health and prosperity in 2009.

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Students encouraged to reflect upon their ‘calling’ to become lawyers

As part of Campbell Law’s 2008-09 Professionalism Lecture Series, Mike Schutt, Professor at Regent University School of Law, addressed the 150 first year students on Nov. 5 on the topic of “Thinking Vocationally.”

\[\text{“Here’s my pitch for you all today,” said Schutt in his opening remarks. “What does it mean to be called? Having a true calling in life is a special thing, and thinking of the law as a calling is a great treasure.”}\\
\text{“We need to think theologically about what we do,” Schutt explained. “One of the primary purposes of calling, or vocation, is this: we are God’s instruments that He uses to carry out his work in this world. Thus, as lawyers, we should look upon serving others as God’s work.”}\\
\text{“Some lawyers today, even those who are Christians, often have difficulty living out their calling to the law because legal education at many schools has lost its moral center,” Schutt explained. “Many attorneys see the law merely as a tool to manipulate society and policy.”}\\
\text{“If we neglect what God is calling us to do, then we are doing the wrong thing,” Schutt said. “Calling is to know the station in which God has placed you. We must not neglect His direction to do something that you personally feel is more important.”}\\
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Schutt closed with by encouraging students with two important ways to be a good lawyer and person: by being closely involved with people of faith and being immersed in the Word of God.

The author of numerous publications, Shutt’s most recent book, Redeeming Law: Christian Calling and the Legal Profession (InterVarsity Press 2007), is an exhortation to students and lawyers on Christian integrity in the law.

Alumni Profile: William Pully (’79)

William Pully, a member of Campbell Law School’s first graduating class, has served as the President of the North Carolina Hospital Association (NCHA) since 1999.

A native of Rocky Mount, N.C., Pully spent much of his career managing the political campaigns of several North Carolina legislators. He also served as executive assistant to U.S. Congressman Tim Valentine before joining NCHA. Prior to being named President of NCHA, Pully served as the Senior Vice President/General Counsel, and also managed all of NCHA’s legal actions and policy development.

In an August 29, 2008 Triangle Business Journal article titled, “William Pully, president, North Carolina Hospital Association: Helping care for a caring industry” by Catarina Saraiva, Pully explained that he did not expect his time with NCHA to turn into a lifelong commitment to the health care needs of North Carolinians.

Pully found the health care field to be exciting and enjoyable. He also developed a great admiration for caregivers. “Not everyone is born to be a caregiver; it is a very special calling,” he said.

NCHA, a statewide trade association representing 135 hospitals and health networks, promotes improved community health status and delivery of quality health care through leadership, information, education, and advocacy in members’ interests and for public benefit. The NCHA lobbies on behalf of its members in the General Assembly, before regulatory agencies and courts, and with the public.

“We have to improve the health of the population if we’re going to solve health care problems in North Carolina,” Pully said. “We really cannot afford a nation or a state of sick people.”

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Campbell Law’s new home: construction has begun!

An existing atrium on three floors of the new building will be filled in by January 2009 to maximize floor space.

Hard hat zone! The interior of 225 Hillsborough Street in Raleigh was completely demoed by the end of November.

Image across an open floor. Classroom, courtroom and office walls will begin to go up in early 2009.

Concrete removed from an existing bridge-walk across the atrium.

For more construction photos and updates, visit us at law.campbell.edu.

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