A Few Words From Denisse Gonzalez, Class of 2011

When the Campbell Law Hispanic Law Student Association (HLSA) was honored as the 2010 Law Student Organization of the Year by the Hispanic National Bar Association, I didn’t think things could get any better. As it turns out, things got a lot better. After Dean Essary contacted Justice Sonia Sotomayor to inform her about our award, she graciously invited HLSA’s officers to visit her at the Supreme Court of the United States.

On November 1st, I had the privilege to travel with my fellow officers and friends, Chris Agosto Carreiro, Anna McLeod, Heather Reading and Crystal Dennis, as well as Dean Faulkner and Dean Essary to the nation’s capital. In Washington, we were joined by our faculty advisor, Professor Kevin Lee; Judge Albert Diaz, N.C. Business Court Judge Charlotte; Campbell alumna attorney Hope Adams (‘92), Partner, Reed Smith; and Zuraya Tapia, Executive Director for the National Hispanic Bar Association. It was an honor to be with so many talented individuals as we prepared for the remarkable visit that awaited us.

Upon our arrival to the Court, we were escorted into our reserved courtroom seats by General William Suter, Clerk of the Supreme Court and member of the Campbell Law Board of Visitors. It was surreal to sit in front of the same Justices who have written opinions that all law students read. After oral arguments, we were ushered into a conference room where we waited for Justice Sotomayor. She greeted us by calling us her “Campbell group,” praised HLSA and Campbell Law for our achievements, invited us to ask questions, and took a photo with our group. Our special visit created memories that we will all cherish for a lifetime. Further, it is one that will live in the history of Campbell Law and Campbell Law students for years to come.

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Campbell Law Students Visit U.S. Supreme Court, Meet Justice Sotomayor

Students from Campbell University Law School visited the U.S. Supreme Court on Monday, November 1, 2010, after accepting an invitation from Justice Sonia Sotomayor.

Five members of the University’s Hispanic Law Student Association (HLSA) journeyed to the nation’s capital for the historic visit with the Court’s first Hispanic member. They heard oral arguments in the court before having a private meeting with Sotomayor, who was sworn in as an Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court in August 2009.

“The opportunity for Campbell Law students to witness arguments from some of the nation’s most prominent lawyers in front of United States Supreme Court was extraordinary” said Law School Dean Melissa Essary, who accompanied the students. “However, to have a private audience with Justice Sonia Sotomayor was a once-in-a-lifetime experience for these extraordinary student leaders.”

The Court visit is the latest in a string of accolades for a student group that is barely one year old. In its first year, the group performed a dizzying array of public service projects. For its efforts, the HLSA was honored in September 2010 as the Hispanic National Bar Association’s Law Student Organization of the Year.

HLSA President Denisse Gonzalez pointed to Sotomayor’s rise to the Supreme Court as an inspiration for Hispanics and women, and also affirmed the nation’s promise of providing opportunity to all its citizens.

“Justice Sotomayor is a role-model for all Latino Americans,” Gonzalez said. “Through her success, she has inspired a new generation of Latino students to focus their careers through continued education.”

Alumni & Friends Urged to Invest in Scholarships

Students Campbell Law School is an extraordinary institution of legal education. It offers one of the nations’ most rigorous and outstanding programs.

The law school remains among smallest in the nation where every student and graduate is valued member. Faculty are passionate about what they do and the results speak for themselves—Campbell Law graduates are prepared to practice, lead, and serve.

Today’s Campbell Law School is built on the shoulders of giants—more than 3,300 alumni from 32 graduating classes—but the school needs your help to further strengthen its foundation.

Stand with us to ensure the future of Campbell Law students and the clients whom they will serve by making a contribution to our Campbell Law Alumni Scholarship or other fund that directly benefits our students.

A list of law school scholarship funds and ways to donate can be found at law.campbell.edu/giving/giving.html.
Campbell Law Alumni Win Many Fall 2010 Elections Across North Carolina

Campbell Law School alumni won a total of 41 statewide and local elections across North Carolina on November 2, 2010. Individuals from Campbell Law’s 1979 charter class through a member of the class of 2007 won various elected positions, including District Attorney, District Court Judge, Superior Court Judge, North Carolina Court of Appeals Judge, and seats in the North Carolina House and Senate. Three current Adjunct Professors, Rick Glazer (NC House District 45), Thom Goolsby (NC Senate District 9), and Josh Stein (NC Senate District 16), also won their November races.

“It is impressive and amazing to see how many graduates of Campbell Law School serve in various local and statewide elected positions,” said Dean Melissa Essary. “Our alumni are truly leading at every level, and we are proud of their service in many different communities.”

The following Campbell Law School graduates and adjunct faculty were elected to their respective positions on November 2, 2010:

- Frank R. Parrish ('79) District Attorney District 1 serving Dare, Gates, Pasquotank, Camden, Currituck, Perquimans, & Chowan Counties
- C. Colon Willoughby ('79) District Attorney District 10 serving Wake County
- Johnathan Rhye ('81) NC House of Representatives District 97 serving Lincoln County
- Rebecca (Becky) Knight ('82) District Court Judge District 28 serving Buncombe County
- James W. Morgan ('82) Superior Court Judge District 27B serving Seventh Division: Cleveland and Lincoln Counties
- George J. Franks ('83) District Court Judge District 12 serving Cumberland County
- Brad Greenway ('83) District Attorney District 29A serving McDowell and Rutherford Counties
- Stan Allen ('83) District Court Judge District 17A serving Rockingham County
- Ann Marie Calabria ('83) Judge on the N.C. Court of Appeals
- Scott T. Brewer ('84) District Court Judge District 20A serving Ashe, Richmond and Stanly Counties
- Melinda H. Crouch ('84) District Court Judge District 5 serving Pender and New Hanover Counties
- Tommy Davis ('84) District Court Judge District 29A serving Rutherford and McDowell Counties
- Ricky Bowman ('84) District Attorney District 17B serving Surry and Stokes Counties
- Talmage (Tal) Baggett ('85) District Court Judge District 12 serving Cumberland County
- Robert Stiehl ('85) District Court Judge District 12 serving Cumberland County
- Ernie Lee ('85) District Attorney District 4 serving Duplin, Sampson, Jones, and Onslow Counties
- Sarah C. Seaton ('86) District Court Judge District 4 serving Duplin, Sampson, Jones and Onslow Counties
- Sarah Stevens ('86) NC House of Representatives District 30 serving Alleghany and Surry Counties
- Darrell B. Cayton, Jr. ('87) District Court Judge District 2 serving Hyde, Beaufort, Washington, Tyrrell and Martin Counties
- Luther Johnson Britt III ('87) District Attorney District 16B serving Robeson County
- Brad Allen ('88) District Court Judge District 15A serving Alamance County
- Regina M. Joe ('88) District Court Judge District 16A serving Hoke and Scotland Counties
- Tom E. Horner ('88) District Attorney District 23 serving Alleghany, Ashe, Wilkes and Yadkin Counties
- Kim Kelly Tucker ('89) District Court Judge District 12 serving Cumberland County
- Wallace Bradsher ('90) District Attorney District 9A serving Caswell and Forsyth Counties
- Seth Edwards ('90) District Attorney District 2 serving Martin, Washington, Tyrrell and Beaufort Counties
- Ken Crow ('90) Superior Court Judge District 3B serving Second Division: Craven, Pamlico and Carteret Counties
- Kristin Ruth ('90) District Court Judge District 10 serving Wake County
- Wendy M. Enochs ('91) District Court Judge District 18 serving Guilford County
- H. Thomas (Tom) Jarrell, Jr. ('91) District Court Judge District 18 serving Guilford County
- Hugh Lewis ('91) Superior Court Judge District 26B serving Seventh Division: Mecklenburg County
- Beth Heath ('91) District Court Judge District 8 serving Wayne, Greene and Lenior County
- Susan Doyle ('93) District Attorney District 11 serving Johnston, Harnett and Lee Counties
- Melissa D. Pelfrey ('94) District Attorney District 5A serving Halifax County
- Scott Etheridge ('94) District Court Judge District 19B serving Randolph, Montgomery and Moore Counties
- Chad Hogston ('96) District Court Judge District 5 serving Pender and New Hanover Counties
- Nathaniel (Nathan) J. Poovey ('96) Superior Court Judge District 25B serving Seventh Division: Catawba County
- E.S. “Buck” Newton ('99) NC State Senate District 11 serving Nash and Wilson Counties
- William R. (Billy) West, Jr. ('00) District Attorney District 12 serving Cumberland County
- Margaret Eagles ('00) District Court Judge District 10 serving Wake County
- Michael J. Denning ('07) District Court Judge District 10 serving Wake County
- Rick Glazer (Adjunct Professor of Law) NC House of Representatives District 45 serving Cumberland County
- Thom Goolsby (Adjunct Professor of Law) NC State Senate District 9 serving New Hanover County
- Josh Stein (Adjunct Professor of Law) NC State Senate District 16 serving Wake County

Benjamin N. Thompson ('79 Law) Named Distinguished Alumnus of Campbell University

Attorney Benjamin N. Thompson ('79 Law), of Dunn, N.C., received the Distinguished Alumnus award from Campbell University at the Homecoming Weekend festivities on Saturday, Oct. 30. Thompson is a partner and Litigation Section Chairman of Wynn Robbins Yates & Ponton, LLP in Raleigh.

Thompson, whose background includes extensive trial experience in both state and federal courts, graduated cum laude from Campbell in 1976 and received his Juris Doctor from the University’s Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law in 1979.

* Do you have news to share? Let us know by emailing Julie Lechner at lechner@law.campbell.edu
Princeton Students Learn About Restorative Justice at Campbell Law School

A group of 11 undergraduate students from Princeton University visited Campbell Law School during the week of November 1 to meet Professor John Powell, learn more about the law school’s Juvenile Justice Program, and discuss the growing use of restorative justice in the U.S. criminal justice system. Through conversations and small group observation, Professor Powell enhanced the students’ understanding of the concepts of restorative justice and conflict resolution.

Powell introduced the Princeton students to Kacey Reynolds, a representative from the Capital Justice Restorative Project, a group dedicated to encouraging the use of mediation and conflict resolution to promote restorative justice in communities. Reynolds presented the concept of a “circle process,” a technique used in restorative justice to facilitate communication through the open sharing of thoughts and emotions.

After participating in the circle process, the group watched the documentary “Meeting With a Killer: One Family’s Journey,” the story of Linda White and her granddaughter Amy, who met with Gary Brown, the man who raped and murdered Linda’s daughter and Amy’s mother, Cathy White. This process attempted to restore justice and facilitate healing by allowing Linda, Amy, and Gary to meet in a safe setting and share their respective stories, emotions, etc. During the process, the family learned that their loved one’s final words were a prayer of forgiveness for her killer. After viewing the film, the students called Linda White and spoke with her via phone to discuss her experience. Viewing the film and speaking White helped the group see how restorative justice can function realistically and, judging from Linda and Amy’s experience, successfully.

“This morning’s visit to the Campbell University School of Law enhanced our understanding of restorative justice in both theory and practice,” said Princeton student Jen Klingerman. “It also sparked debate and discussion amongst us about what we respectively perceive to be the positive and negative aspects of restorative justice when it is applied to real-life situations.”

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendars!

January
January 20, 2011 – Alumni Luncheon, Smithfield, NC (Bistro on Third)
January 28, 2011 – Alumni Luncheon, Fayetteville, NC (Luigi’s)

February
February 10, 2011 – Alumni Luncheon, Rocky Mount, NC
February 17, 2011 – Alumni Luncheon, Durham, NC
February 25, 2011 – Alumni Luncheon, Raleigh, NC (Campbell Law School)

Please Note Date Changes
Alumni Luncheon, Beaufort, NC (originally scheduled for Jan. 13 – moved to May 19)
Alumni Luncheon, New Bern, NC (originally scheduled for Jan. 14 – moved to May 20)

More alumni events coming! Stay tuned!!

For more information about these events contact: Julie Lechner at lechner@law.campbell.edu

His practice at Wyrick Robbins Yates & Ponton focuses on complex litiga- tion, government contracting law, labor law and trade regulation.

Thompson joined Wyrick Robbins Yates & Ponton as a partner in 1997, fol- lowing 18 years of litigation practice in another North Carolina firm where he represented a number of large and medium size concerns.

Active in both professional and civic organizations, Thompson is Chair of the Law School’s new Board of Visitors and is also a member of the North Carolina Bar Association, the Wake County Bar Association, the National Contract Management Association and North Carolina Advocates for Justice. He has also been featured in the publications, The Best Lawyers in America, North Carolina Super Lawyers and Business North Carolina Magazine.

NITA Southeast Deposition Skills Program to be Held at Campbell Law School in March 2011

The National Institute for Trial Advocacy (NITA) is excited to announce that it will again be holding its Southeast Deposition Skills Program at Campbell Law School in March 2011. The program will be held at the school from Wednesday, March 9th through Friday, March 11th, 2011, and will offer participants the opportunity to practice their skills in simulated deposition settings and receive critiques from experienced attorneys. Skills taught and practiced during the program include: eliciting exhaustive, expansive answers, theory testing, obtaining admissions, and defending the deposition.

The program will be lead again in 2011 by Peter Hoffman, law professor and Newell H. Blakey Chair in Evidence at The University of Houston Law Center. Professor Hoffman serves as a NITA program director, is the co-author of The Effective Deposition, and has taught in more than 300 litigation-related CLE and law school courses.

Campbell Law alumni will receive a 15% discount off the cost of the pro- gram. To receive this discount, participants should enter the code “CAMP” when registering for the program. Those who do not qualify for the alumni discount will receive an early enrollment discount when registering for the program sixty (60) or more days before the program start date. To register, please visit www.nita.org. If you have any questions, please call Caroline Thatcher at Campbell Law School at 919-985-4667.

Paper by Professor Sarah Ludington to be Published in the Journal of Legal Education

Campbell Law Professor Sarah Ludington has had her paper, “The Dogs that Did Not Bark: The Silence of the Legal Academy during World War II,” accepted for publication in the peer-reviewed Journal of Legal Education. It will be included as part of a symposium on law schools and the war on terror, providing the historical counterpoint, and is scheduled for print in February 2011.

The article examines published commentary on the government’s domestic policy during World War II by law professors and explains their behavior at the time; specifically, their choices to speak or remain silent about government policy during war. The argument made is that there are several strands of causation for this silence, including the popularity of the war, plummeting law school enrollment, and the depar- ture of nearly half of the full-time law faculty for employment with the fed- eral government. Furthermore, the American Association of Law Schools had only recently adopted a strong statement on academic freedom and tenure in 1940, and thus the commitment to academic freedom and tenure was insecure in many law schools and was only weakened by the severe economic strain of the war. To illustrate the effect of these larger forces, the article tells the stories of four professors who commented on domestic policy during the war and the institutional consequences of their dis- sent. The article concludes that, while the basic building blocks of legal academies are the same today as they were in World War II, other factors such as strong institutional commitments to academic freedom and tenure, a robust First Amendment, and economic prosperity have significantly changed the roles that law professors are empowered to play in society, most significantly as the watchdogs of government.

“...are we proud of Professor Ludington’s work,” said Dean Melissa Essary. “Being included in a peer-reviewed publication is a huge honor. It is further proof that our faculty members not only are devoted to rigorous teaching and instruction, they are equally committed to pursuing relevant scholar- ship outside their classrooms.”

John Powell (back row, left) poses with students from Princeton University

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2010: A Banner Year for Campbell Law

It’s hard to believe that Campbell Law School has reached the halfway point in its second year in Raleigh. The past year has been an exciting one for alumni, student, and faculty alike.

Student Achievements
- Student clubs have always been important part of the life and culture of Campbell Law, but 2010 saw the total number of student clubs increase to 28.
- The Campbell Hispanic Law Student Association (HLSA) was recognized as the 2010 Student Organization of the Year by the Hispanic National Bar Association.
- HLSA officers were invited to Washington DC to meet Justice Sonia Sotomayor.
- The R. C. Bryan Senate of Delta Theta Phi at Campbell Law School was named the nation’s most Outstanding Student Senate for 2009-2010 and Thomas Harper, Class of 2010, received Delta Theta Phi’s Outstanding Student of the Nation award.
- Phi Alpha Delta honored Dean Melissa Essary and Frank Holding, Jr., Chairman & CEO of First Citizens Bank, as co-recipients of the 2010 Inredell Award.
- Delta Theta Phi honored Judge William Byrd Traxler, Jr, Chief Judge United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit as its 2010 Judge Robinson O. Everett Award recipient.
- Many students received awards and recognition in 2010, including: Alka Srivastava (’11) received the national DRI Law Student Diversity Scholarship and Paul Griffin (’11) who was selected to serve on the Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy (HJLPP) 2010-2011 National Symposium Editorial Board, among many others.
- Three third-year students - Tim Lendino, Natalie Rice, and Alka Srivastava – won Best Brief at the 2010 J. Braxton Craven National Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition. This is the fourth year in a row that a team from Campbell Law has won Best Brief at a national competition.

Alumni
- Campbell faculty and staff interacted with alumni from Washington DC to Atlanta at alumni luncheons and events across the region.
- Many alumni received recognition locally, regionally, and nationally in 2010 for the professional and personal accomplishments. Be sure to share news of your accomplishments, change in position or organization with the law school (send to lechner@law.campbell.edu). We will share news of your achievements, change in position or organization with the law school (send to lechner@law.campbell.edu).
- Members from six law school classes (’80, ’85, ’90, ’95, ’00, ’05) attended a reunion evening on October 29 at the law school in Raleigh.
- Tim Lendino, Natalie Rice, and Alka Srivastava were recipients of the 2010 Campbell Law Dean’s Award.

Faculty Achievements
- Profs. Woody Woodruff and Kevin Lee presented papers and research at the Court of Milan in Italy.
- Prof. Lucas Ostorn spoke at a Southeastern Association of Law Schools conference.
- Prof. Sarah Ludington had an article accepted for publication in the peer reviewed Journal of Legal Education.
- Prof. Rick Lord received the 2010 Campbell Law Dean’s Award. Lord also continues to serve as the revising author of Williston on Contracts.

Law School
- The law school’s first graduating class in Raleigh walked the stage on May 20, 2010.
- A new partnership with N.C. State University for a dual degree program in public administration (MPA) and law was launched in fall 2010.
- A new national Law School Board of Visitors met for the first time in September 2010.
- Distinguished speakers and panels from across the state, region, and country were hosted weekly by Campbell Law School and many student clubs.
- In September Justice Paul Newby of the N.C. Supreme Court presided over a Wake County swearing-in ceremony for May 2010 Campbell Law graduates.

On a day-to-day basis, there is a continued focus on quality teaching, personal relationships, and a commitment to excellence—the qualities that have made Campbell Law great. The entire student body, faculty, and staff continue to be energized about the future of Campbell Law School and the impact of this school on North Carolina and the nation.

Blessings for a prosperous and healthy 2011.

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As you assess hiring needs for 2011, we invite you to partner with the Career Center and allow us to connect you with top notch, practice-ready candidates. The 3L class is full of motivated, skilled candidates eager to connect with employers for entry level opportunities.

We also invite you to participate in Spring On Campus Interviews for 2L and 1L summer interns. To list your job posting for entry-level attorneys, experienced hires or summer interns, please contact Julie Smith-Hamilton at 919.865.5893 or hamilton@law.campbell.edu.

Alumni in need of resume review or employment search resources should contact Julie Beavers at 919.865.5894 or beavers@law.campbell.edu. Access to alumni job postings in Symplicity can be found on the Career Center’s webpage at http://law.campbell.edu/employers/alumni.html.

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