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KEEPING UP WITH THE PROFS

James B. Atleson, who teaches courses on labor law, collective bargaining and negotiations, recently wrote two articles: "Reflections on Labor, Power and Society" was published in the Maryland Law Review, and "The Implicit Assumptions of Labor Law Scholarship" came out in the September issue of Journal of Legal Education. He is currently completing a book review for the American Historical Review and is working on another article, "Obscenities in the Workplace: Foul and Fair Expression and Status Relationships," for the Buffalo Law Review. He also gave a speech at the University of Toronto on "Labor Law and Its Context."

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Charles Ewing, a psychologist as well as a law professor, is the author of the recently published book, *Psychology, Psychiatry and the Law: Clinical and Forensic Handbook*. It is geared to practitioners and mental health professionals who testify in legal proceedings. Because of his research interest in child sex abuse, Prof. Ewing was invited by the presiding justice of New York State Appellate Division, Third Department, to speak to a group of law guardians, judges and social service case workers on the subject of children as witnesses. He teaches juvenile law and criminal law.

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Marjorie L. Girth was selected by Erie County Executive Rutkowski to head a 19-member county task force that will

study women's issues. The panel will try to document cases of sex discrimination in housing, recreation, employment, education and community services. They will also investigate the possibility of establishing a permanent commission on the status of women in the county. The task force will present its report in September. Prof. Girth teaches courses on bankruptcy and reorganization, commercial law and sex-based discrimination. She chairs the Consumer Bankruptcy Committee of the American Bar Association.

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Barry B. Boyer and **Errol Meidinger** collaborated in a project to evaluate environmental policing efforts by public and private anti-pollution enforcers. Their research was conducted for the Administrative Conference of the United States, a federal agency that monitors operations of federal agencies and recommends ways to upgrade operations. Their 109-page report, entitled "Privatizing Regulatory Enforcement: A Preliminary Assessment of Citizen Suits Under Federal Environmental Laws," and recommendations resulting from it were adopted by the Administrative Conference last summer as a guide for the Environmental Protection Agency. Prof. Boyer is a director of the Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy. He teaches in the area of administrative law, consumer protection and safety and environmental regulation. Prof. Meidinger's teaching interests include natural resources law and research design.

Vivian Garcia, assistant dean of Admissions and Student Affairs, resigned in February in order to devote total attention to her infant daughter. A graduate of the Cornell School of Labor and Industrial Relations and Syracuse Law School, Garcia assumed the assistant deanship in December of 1981. Her responsibilities included acting as liaison between students and administration, reorganizing the school's admissions program, recruiting students, and administering and teaching the Legal Methods Program for minority students. Her temporary replacement is Steven T. Wickmark '85.

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Library Director Ellen M. Gibson '80.

Ellen Gibson '80, Librarian, writes a column for the Buffalo Law Journal in which she lists new law library acquisitions. She hopes that the column will stimulate increased interest and usage of the library.

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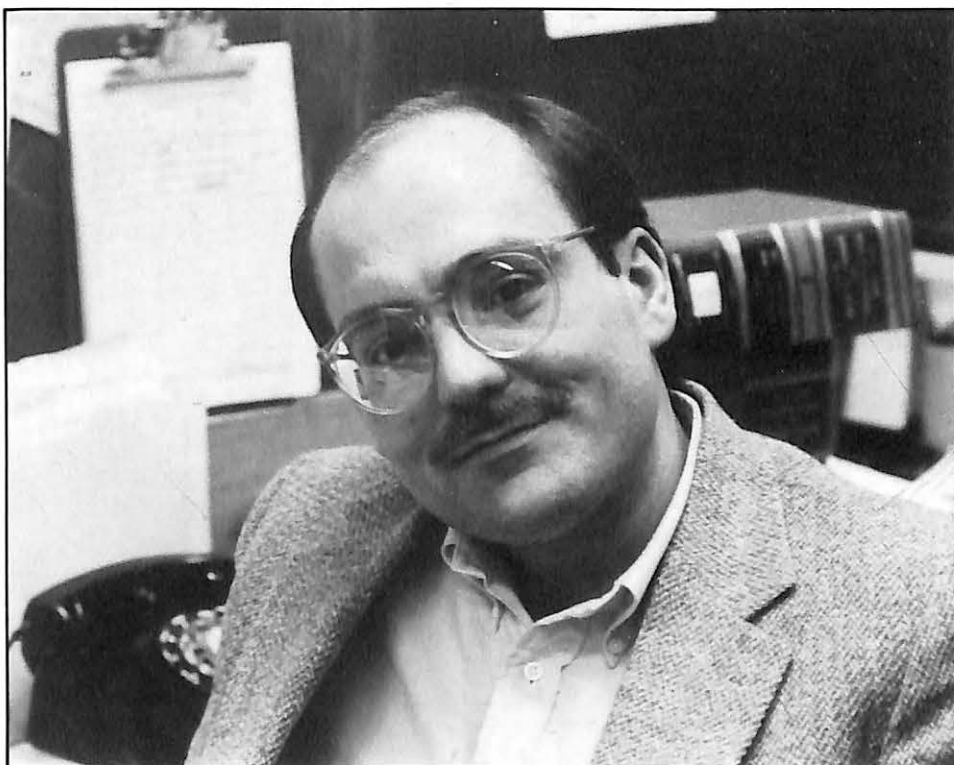
Virginia A. Leary participated in a symposium at the University of California at San Diego in January on the U.S. withdrawal from UNESCO and the implications for future U.S. involvement in international organizations. Prof. Leary was invited because of her research on the United States' withdrawal and subsequent rejoining of the International Labor Organization, a specialized agency of the United Nations that deals with labor and employment problems. She has also been invited to attend an international conference in Maastricht, Netherlands in June where she will present a paper on economic and social rights. Prof. Leary was recently elected secretary/treasurer of the Section on International Law of the American Association of Law Schools.

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Frank W. Munger Jr. attended a conference sponsored by The Institute for Sociology of Law for Europe which was held in Paris last November. The purpose of the conference was to choose and describe issues that could be presented to the International Sociological Association at its annual meeting in New Delhi next August and to prepare a year book on the subject of law and economic change. A sociologist as well as a law professor, Prof. Munger was the only North American to participate in discussions concerning law and economic change and was designated a co-author of the year book. He teaches municipal law, sociology of law, and legal profession.

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Wade Newhouse is currently working on the second edition of his book, *Public Sector Labor Relations Law in New York State*. Publication is planned for this summer.



Professor Errol Meidinger

Robert Reis received a grant award for 1986 from New York State Sea Grant College to study coastal law problems. He revised 180 pages of the section on "land underwater" in *Warren's Weed Real Property Law*. In December, he was invited to participate in the Great Lakes Water Diversion conference in Cleveland, Ohio. He is a contributing editor for the New York State Bar Association's *Environmental Law Journal*.

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John Spanogle will be leading a group of 25 attorneys on a two-week trip to China in March, where they will meet with Chinese practitioners and judges in an effort to bridge the legal information gap. The group will visit Beijing (formerly Peking), Shanghai and Manjing. As a result of Prof. Spanogle's Chinese connections, Wang Zhi Lung, a professor from Beijing College of Economics and the Capitol

University College of Politics and Law in Beijing is teaching comparative commercial law this semester at UB Law School.

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FACULTY RANKS HIGH IN PUBLISHING SURVEY

How do the senior faculties at accredited law schools in the United States compare regarding publishing activity? That was the question raised by Michael I. Swygert and Nathaniel E. Gozansky in the September, 1985 issue of the *Journal of Legal Education*, a publication of the association of American Law Schools. UB Law School was listed in the top 25 percent of the 68 law schools in its grouping of schools having a comparable number of senior faculty members. ■