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1930s
Roland R. Benzow ’37 was elected chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library.

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1940s
William R. Brennan ’48, of Moot & Sprague, in Buffalo, is chair of the Erie County Bar Foundation’s “Campaign ’89.”

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Philosophy H. Magner Jr. ’49, of Magner, Love & Morris, P.C., in Buffalo, was a featured guest on “Geraldo,” the nationally televised interview program hosted by Geraldo Rivera. He discussed medical malpractice as it relates to the sexual abuse of patients by practicing physicians.

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William H. Raikin ’49, now retired, reports that his daughter Peggy Santillo of Williamsville is fighting for a cleaner environment and his son Steven Raikin is a staff director of the ABA.

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Dr. Oscar Smuckler ’49, of Buffalo, received a Brotherhood/Sisterhood special award from the National Conference of Christians and Jews for his work as a member of the Buffalo Board of Education and for promoting international unity through athletic competition.

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1950s
Alexander Cordes ’50, of Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber, in Buffalo, has been named co-chair of the Special Committee on Attorney Professionalism formed by the New York Bar Association.

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Sheldon Hurwitz ’53, of Hurwitz & Fine, P.C., in Buffalo, has been named chair of the Environmental Law Committee of the Defense Research Institute. The Defense Research Institute is a national organization of lawyers specializing in the defense of civil litigation and corporations.

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Former State Supreme Court Justice James L. Kane ’53, of Weston, Kane & Moen, P.C., in Cheektowaga, N.Y., has been appointed to the newly created post of general counsel of the Buffalo AFL-CIO Council, an organization he headed for 12 years. As counsel, he will be in a position to advise the organization’s leadership.

Kane has had strong ties to the Western New York labor movement for 40 years, beginning when he joined the National Federation of Postal Clerks in 1948. Four years later, he became president of his local and, in 1954, he was elected state president. In February 1956, he became president of the Buffalo Federation of Labor, an organization representing unions tied to the American Federation of Labor. When the AFL-CIO merged locally in 1959, he became head of the new organization.

Kane held that office until 1969, when he was appointed to the City Court bench. He was succeeded by George L. Wessel, the current president.

Kane is also owner and proprietor of Kane’s Red Carpet Restaurant in Williamsville, N.Y.

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Marvin R. Baum ’55, of Marvin R. Baum, P.C., in Buffalo, lectured on “Mechanics of Judicial Foreclosure” at a recent New York State Bar Association seminar in New York City.

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James R. Walsh ’55 was elected president of the Association of Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

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Hon. Vincent E. Doyle ’56 was elected president of the Association of Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

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Grace Marie Ange ’57, of Ange & Gordon, in Buffalo, was elected a member of the House of Delegates of the New York State Bar Association.
Richard F. Griffin '57, of Moot and Sprague, in Buffalo, was cited for service to the legal community by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, which presented him with a Brotherhood/Sisterhood Award. He was also recently honored by the Minority Bar Association for co-chairing a local task force to increase the number of minorities in the Erie County legal profession. Griffin is a former president of the Erie County Bar Association and has been active in representing citizens in human rights and discrimination cases.

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George M. Gibson '58, of Damon & Morey, in Buffalo, has been elected president of the Erie County Bar Foundation Inc.

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1960s

Herbert H. Blumberg '60 was honored by the Family Court Committee of the Erie County Bar Association as the first recipient of an annual award honoring a person associated with family law. A practicing attorney, Blumberg has served as a matrimonial law referee. equitable distribution arbitrator and is currently a Family Court hearing examiner. The award was presented by Keith A. Morganheim, chair of the ECBA Family Court Committee. Serving on the luncheon and awards committee were Harvey Rogers '51, Eileen Katz '76, Peter Martinelli and John J. Aman '77.

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Eugene W. Salisbury '60, of Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Schuller & James, in Buffalo, has been appointed to a four-year term on the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct by New York Chief Judge Sol Wachtler. He resides in Blasdell, N.Y.

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Hon. Frank A. Sedita Jr. '60 was elected chief judge of City Court in Buffalo. He was formerly Family Court judge.

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Paul C. Weaver '61, of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, in Buffalo, was elected a member of the House of Delegates of the New York State Bar Association.

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Lawrence Chesler '62, of Pittsford, N.Y., has been appointed secretary and general counsel for Computer Consoles Inc. of Rochester, N.Y., an American subsidiary of STC plc, a London-based communications and information systems company. CCI designs, develops, manufactures and markets telecommunications systems. In addition to managing all of CCI’s legal requirements, he will oversee the legal interests of two other subsidiaries of STC plc.

Chesler has been with CCI since 1982. He is experienced in the preparation and negotiation of worldwide computer and telecommunications-related agreements, international dealings, proprietary rights and real estate, among others.

He holds a bachelor's and an MBA from the University of Rochester. He is treasurer of the executive committee of the Corporate Counsel Section of the New York Bar Association, and is a member of the editorial board of the Computer Lawyer.

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Robert D. Gunderman '62, of Hamburg, N.Y., has merged his 23-year-old private law practice with the Buffalo law firm of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, where he has become a partner. Concentrating his practice in transportation, customs and immigration laws, Gunderman has served as an expert witness on U.S.-Canadian transportation matters.

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Roger Barth '63 was recently reappointed by Republican Chairman Lee Atwater as tax counsel to the Republican National Committee, a position Barth has held since 1979. Barth is currently counsel in the Washington, D.C., office of the New York City firm of Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle, as well as counsel to the Buffalo firm of Barth, Sullivan & Lancaster.

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Peter J. Fiorella Jr. '63, of Fiorella & Vance, in Buffalo, recently conducted a seminar on “Family Court Practice” in Syracuse for Family Court Hearing Examiners. His 19th century-style offices in the Wilcox Mansion were featured in a special Buffalo News decor magazine. Fiorella has been active as a board member of the UB Law Alumni Association and heads the Law School's 1989-90 Annual Fund Drive.

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Justice M. Dolores Denman '65, of the Appellate Division of State Supreme Court, Fourth Department, heads a 10-member panel of judges and court staff who monitor the area's courts to ensure that women are being given equal treatment with men—both as people who bring their problems to court and as lawyers and court employees. The Denman Committee was created to implement the recommendations of a two-year-old state court Task Force on Women in the Courts set up by Chief State Judge Sol Wachtler. It has an open-ended agenda and no time limits on its work. Court staffers, lawyers and the public are all being solicited to voice complaints or concerns about sexual discrimination or raise questions about women in the courts. The Denman Committee will coordinate its efforts with the Erie County Bar Association's Committee on Women in the Courts, of which Justice Denman is a member, and the Western New York Chapter of the Women's Bar Association.

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Leslie G. Foschio '65, chief counsel for Barrister Information Systems Corp., in Buffalo, was named chairman of the Eagle Scout Career and Recognition Day Committee by the Greater Niagara Frontier Council, Boy Scouts of America.

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Hon. Anthony P. LoRusso '65 was elected to Family Court. He was formerly an associate city judge in Buffalo.

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Ronald L. Jaros '66, special counsel to the law firm of Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer,
Roll, Schuller & James, in Buffalo, has been named chair of the 1,662-member Labor and Employment Law Section of the New York State Bar Association. A Canisius College graduate, jaros served in the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, and at the time of his discharge was one of the youngest military judges to have received that appointment. Jaros resides in West Seneca, N.Y., with his wife, Sandra, and their four children.

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David A. Gerard '67, of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Civil Fraud Division, in Washington, D.C., was appointed a Special Master with the U.S. Claims Court to adjudicate child vaccine injury cases. He lives in Fairfax, Va.

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Alan J. Cooper '68 has moved to Jupiter, Fla., where he is practicing law as a solo practitioner.

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Robert P. Fine '68, of Hurwitz & Fine, P.C., in Buffalo, was elected vice chairman of the Buffalo and Erie County Private Industry Council. He is also attorney for the World Games.

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Robert B. Moriarty '68, of Moriarty & Condon, in Buffalo, was named to the Council of the American Bar Association Section of Family Law. He is a fellow in the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, co-author of the New York Practice Guide for Domestic Relations, and former chair of the ABA Family Law Section CLE committee. He recently spoke at the National Continuing Legal Education Conference in Vail, Colo., on “Maintaining a Client Relationship.”

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David R. Pfalzgraf '68 and James P. Renda '68 have joined with Thomas C. Pares to form a law firm in Buffalo.

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Ralph A. Boniello '69, of Boniello, Anton, Conti & Boniello, in Niagara Falls, N.Y., has been named to the Niagara Falls

Robert B. Penny ’72
Advisory Board of Norstar Bank. He lives in Lewiston, N.Y.

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Alan R. Feldstein '69 has become a partner in the Rochester office of Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber. Formerly, he practiced with Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle.

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Gary A. Gerace '69 and Richard L. Harman '69 have formed a partnership, Gerace, Brimmer & Harman, in Cheektowaga.

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1970s

Kenneth S. Diamond '70 of Hempstead, N.Y., was elected District Court judge in Nassau County.

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Richard L. Furman '70, of Follick & Furman, in New York City, was profiled in the February 1989 issue of Northeast International Business magazine. He specializes in trade and customs issues.

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Warren B. Gelman '70, of McGee & Gelman, in Buffalo, was presented with the Brotherhood/Sisterhood Award for Service to the Youth by the National Conference of Christians and Jews for his work with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Buffalo and the Bisons hockey organization. Gelman resides in Snyder, N.Y.

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Robert E. Whelan '70 was elected to the New York State Supreme Court in the Eighth Judicial District. He was formerly Buffalo city comptroller.

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Terrence M. Conners '71, of Connors and Vilardo, in Buffalo, has been named chair of the 1,800-member Criminal Justice Section of the New York State Bar Association. A Canisius College graduate, Conners is a former member of the board of directors of the Erie County Bar Association, the board of governors of the Western New York Trial Lawyers Association, and the board of directors of the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo Inc.

He is a member of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, and is a charter member and member of the board of directors of the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. He is also on the Advisory Committee for the National Network for the Right to Counsel.

He is a member of the Committee on Character and Fitness for applicants for admission to the bar for the Eighth Judicial District.

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Michael L. Munley '71, of Funda & Munley, has been appointed to serve as the Eighth Judicial District delegate to the Executive Committee of the New York State Bar Association Labor Law Section.

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Robert B. Penny '72 recently joined The Litidex Co., an automated litigation support company in Houston, Tex., as vice president of sales and marketing. Penny was previously manager of product marketing with Aspen Systems Corp. in Rockville, Md. A native of Buffalo, he now lives in Houston with his wife and two children.
Daniel J. Ward '72, of Amherst, N.Y., was elected to the office of Amherst town supervisor. Ward was formerly a councilman.

Richard N. Weinstein '72 reports that he is in practice in San Antonio, Tex., with Oppenheimer, Rosenberg, Kelleher & Wheatley Inc.

Paul R. Comeau '73, of Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, in Buffalo, has been appointed a member of the New York State Bar Association's newly formed Special Committee to Consider Mandatory Continuing Legal Education in New York State. He resides in Orchard Park, N.Y.

Howard B. Frank '73, of Buffalo, has become associated with the Buffalo law firm of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, where he will concentrate on Medicaid, heath care and estate law. Frank served as Medicaid counsel to the Erie County Department of Social Services for the past 11 years. He is admitted to practice in New York and Florida.

Peter D. Braun '74 was named a partner in the trial department of the Buffalo law firm of Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber. His areas of practice include product liability defense, environmental law and criminal law.

John E. Haslinger '74 recently joined the Buffalo law firm of Moot & Sprague when the venerable law firm of Hellings, Moray, Kresse & Ricker's discontinued operations. The Hellings firm was notable for carrying on the law practice established nearly 70 years ago by the late John Lord O'Brien, for whom the Law School building is named, and the practices of the late Frederick C. Slee, Dana R. Hellings and General William Donovan.

Helen Hurley '74 has been named a partner with Hiscock & Barclay, Syracuse, N.Y.

Mark J. Mahoney '74, of Birmingham, Cook & Mahoney, P.C., in Buffalo, was elected a vice president of the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

Frank S. Palen '74 writes that he is an associate with the West Palm Beach, Fla., law firm of Moyle, Flanagan, Katz, Fitzgerald & Sheehan, where he specializes in land use and land development. Previously, he served with the Palm Beach County Department of Planning, Zoning and Building. He was director of zoning from 1986 to 1988.

Russell B. Buscaglia '75 has joined the U.S. attorney's office in Buffalo from the Erie County district attorney's office.

Douglas S. Coppola '75, of Buffalo, has joined with Mark C. Rodgers and Michael Menard to form the new law firm of Rodgers, Menard and Coppola. Formerly of Saperston & Day, P.C., the three litigation trial partners are located at 1630 Liberty Building, Buffalo. Coppola served as president of the UB Law Alumni Association in 1986-87.

Ian C. DeWaal '75, assistant Massachusetts attorney general in Boston, has received a B.A. in music history and clarinet from the Northeast Conservatory of Music.

Linda H. Joseph '75, of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, in Buffalo, has been appointed to the Executive Committee of the New York State Bar Association's section on Commercial and Federal Litigation. She specializes in litigation.

Judith A. Levitt-Lieberman '75, of New York City, reports she served as special assistant and chief appointments aide to former Mayor Koch.

Robert J. Olivier '75 has become a partner with Lippes, Kaminsky, Silverstein, Porter, Mathias & Wexler, in Buffalo.

William P. Savino '75, of Damon & Morey, in Buffalo, and his wife, Elizabeth Savino, a UB law student, recently had a baby.

Ernest G. Anstey '76 has joined the U.S. attorney's office in Buffalo.

Terence J. Centner '76, associate professor at the University of Georgia, spoke on groundwater contamination at "Watershed '89—The Future of Water Quality in Europe," a conference held in Guilford, England.

Sue S. Gardner '76, of Kavinson & Cook, in Buffalo, participated in a seminar titled "Patterns: Designing a New Decade of Choices, an Issues Conference for Women," sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater Buffalo and the Foundation for Jewish Philanthropies. Gardner conducted a seminar on estate planning for women.

Gardner also was chosen a fellow of the American College of Probate Counsel, which consists of 2,500 estate planning and administration lawyers in the United States and several foreign countries.

Thomas P. Mc Morrow '76 has opened a practice concentrated in Social Security Disability Law in Buffalo.

Paul M. Edgette '77 has been elected general counsel, Empire of America.

Paul A. Equale '77, a prominent Washington representative of the Independent Insurance Agents of America, was quoted
and pictured in a New York Times article recently.

** * * * Marjorie Creola Mix '77, a solo practitioner in Buffalo, was honored by the University at Buffalo's Community Advisory Council for her community-university service. ** * * * Nancy Mulloy '77, associate director of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute, was voted president-elect of the Association of Continuing Legal Education Administrators. The ACLEA is an international association of 350 lawyers and educators. Its purpose is to promote the creation and delivery of high-quality CLE services through non-profit organizations.

Mulloy was recently selected to present a paper on continuing professional education at Syracuse University's doctoral program in adult learning. She resides in New Cumberland, Pa.

*** Sharyn G. Rogers '77 has been named a partner in the Buffalo firm of Damon & Morey. ***

William F. Shields '77 of Burke, Va., received an LL.M. in Labor Law from George Washington University National Law Center and held a graduate fellowship with the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Relations. He is in the Office of the Judge Advocate General of the Navy.

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Thomas R. Augello '78, of Block & Colucci, P.C., in Buffalo, served as general chair of "A Taste of Buffalo," the annual outdoor food and entertainment festival that was held in downtown Buffalo during the summer.

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David B. Cook '78, of Fairport, N.Y., reports that he is senior attorney for the Security Group in Webster, N.Y. Last year, he was elected Man of the Year for the P.J. Cichanowicz Agency of the Security Group.

John E. Haslinger '74

Thomas S. Cook '78 writes that he is head of the Pennsylvania Workers Compensation Administration in Harrisburg, Pa.

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Marion F. Dearnley '78 reports that she is an associate vice president for student affairs at West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va.

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Kenneth L. Gartner '78 has been named a partner in the Mineola, N.Y., firm of Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein. He and his wife, Michele Lippa Gartner '80, and their two sons reside in Merrick, N.Y.

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James M. Morrissey '78 has assumed the duties of executive director, Neighborhood Legal Services Inc., the largest provider of civil legal services to low-income people in Erie County. Most recently, he was deputy director of the Public Utility Law Project in Albany. He is also a private practitioner in New York City, where he founded a legal clinic for young people.

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Mark S. Perla '78 joined the U.S. attorney's office in Buffalo.

Joel B. Schecter '78 has been named a partner with Watson, McGarvey, Bennett, Colligan & Johnson, in Buffalo.

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Dennis C. Vacco '78, U.S. attorney in Buffalo, was one of the speakers who welcomed the incoming UB Law School Class of 1992.

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Susan M. Barbour '79 reports that she joined the U.S. attorney's office in Buffalo.

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Ann E. Evanko '79 has been named a partner in the Buffalo firm of Hurwitz & Fine. She specializes in business, corporate and bankruptcy law.

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Jane E. Hendricks '79 resides and practices in Miami, Fla., where she also lectures on legal issues in medicine.

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Harry F. Klodowski Jr. '79 is a founder of a new 14-attorney Pittsburgh law firm, Doepken, Keevican & Weiss, where he is director of the environmental practice.

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James J. Paris '79, of San Diego, Calif., who works in the Office of the General Counsel, Department of the Navy, was recently selected to work with other Navy attorneys on a legislative reform team in Washington, D.C., as a result of the "Ill Wind" investigation. When Congress asked the Department of Defense to present legislative proposals to correct the problems exposed by recent incidents of procurement fraud, Paris helped prepare draft legislation and supporting position papers.

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Michael H. Ranzenhofer '79, Erie County legislator from the 16th district, resides in Amherst, N.Y.

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Raymond P. Reichert '79 has been named a partner by the Buffalo law firm of Moot & Sprague. A graduate of Fordham University, he specializes in tax law.
1980s

Ann Bermingham ’80, a trust officer with M&T Bank, in Buffalo, has been elected president of the Estate Analysts of Western New York. She is the first woman president of the organization.

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Edward Boneck ’80 reports that he is mayor of Johnson City, N.Y.

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Stuart P. Gelberg ’80 has formed a law partnership, Fichoff & Gelberg, in Garden City, N.Y.

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Joseph A. Kelemen ’80 has joined the firm of Jeffrey Freedman Attorneys at Law, in Buffalo.

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Andrew Mandell ’80 has been appointed deputy general counsel and acting general counsel. New York City Department of Mental Retardation and Alcoholism Services.

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Charles C. Martorana ’80 has been named a partner by the Buffalo law firm of Moot & Sprague. His primary focus is real estate and banking law. He is a graduate of Columbia University.

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Cathy Kaman Ryan ’80 has become associated with the law firm of Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber, in its Rochester office. She resides in Pittsford, N.Y.

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Oliver C. Young ’80, senior law clerk of the Eighth Judicial District of the State Supreme Court, was recently honored by the Minority Bar Association for serving as co-chair of a local task force to increase the number of minorities in the Erie County legal profession. Young is vice president of the board of the Buffalo Federation of Neighborhood Centers and is a former member of the board of directors of the UB Law Alumni Association.

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Jayne E. Zanglein ’80, head of the ERISA Department at Viadek, Waltman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C., in New York City, recently received a grant from the Lawyers Coordinating Committee of the AFL-CIO to author a book on the creative use of union pension funds. In addition, she is an advisor to the Governor’s Task Force on Pension Fund and Investment and is chairing the new ABA Task Force on Social Investing and Corporate Governance.

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John M. Bailey ’81 has been promoted by Hyatt Legal Services to managing attorney of its Boulevard Mall offices in Williamsville, N.Y. He previously served as a staff attorney.

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Richard F. Daly ’81, of Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn, was elected president of the Amherst East Rotary Club, the newest Rotary Club in District 709, Daly resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

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Mary M. (Peggy) Fabic ’81, now of Syracuse, N.Y., joined Niagara Mohawk Power Corp. as an attorney after spending seven years in Brooklyn, where she was employed at the law firm of Cullen and Dykman. She recently received the Woman of the Year award from the Long Island Young Men’s Christian Association for volunteer work with its Youth and Government Program.

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Mark P. Giannante ’81 has been promoted by Marine Midland Bank to vice president of real estate industries. He resides in Cheektowaga.

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Richard M. Holland ’81 of Kenmore has been named a partner in the firm of Magavern & Magavern, in Buffalo.

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Douglas C. Johnston ’81 has become a partner in the Syracuse firm of Mackenzie Smith Lewis Mitchell & Hughes.

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Linda J. Kaumeyer ’81, of Moot & Sprague in Buffalo, was quoted extensively in an article in the ABA Journal on “Flexibility for Pro Bono.”

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Carla Spacone ’81 and Andrew Spacone ’77 report from Providence, R.I., that they are celebrating the birth of their son Aaron Andrew.

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John P. Walsh ’81 has been named a partner in the Buffalo firm of Damon & Morey.

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Therese R. Wincott ’81 has been promoted to executive assistant in the Erie County district attorney’s office.

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Robert M. Elardo ’82, of the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Erie County, in Buffalo, has been elected to the executive committee and serves as treasurer.

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Martha H. Fleischer ’82 reports that she is employed by M&T Bank, in Buffalo, where she is an associate counsel. Fleischer holds a bachelor’s degree from Duke University, a master’s degree and a Ph.D. from Columbia University, as well as her UB Law degree.

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Joseph Forti ’82, of Maynard, O’Connor & Smith, in Albany, recently authored an article in the New York State Bar Journal titled “Solving the Solid Waste Crisis in New York State” (July 1989).

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Louis Gigliotti ’82 writes that he is a partner in the Utica, N.Y., firm of Johnson, Atkinson, Getnick & Livingston.

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Herbert J. Glose ’82, of Amherst, N.Y. has been named a partner by the Buffalo law firm of Moot & Sprague. He specializes in corporate law, banking and commercial real estate.

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Vincent O. Hanley ’82, of Williamsville, N.Y., has become a partner in the Buffalo firm of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel. He concentrates his practice in
real estate law and related litigation. Hanley is also admitted to practice in Arizona.

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Tanya Harvey ’82 recently returned to the Washington, D.C., area after spending six years in Germany and Italy with the Army JAG Corps.

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Brian N. Lewandowski ’82 reports he is a partner with Saperston & Day, in Buffalo.

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Anthony C. Marts ’82 was named a partner in the Manchester, N.H., firm of Wiggin & Nourie.

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Mark and Jane Pedersen ’82, of Pittsford, N.Y., announce the birth of a son, Todd Richard.

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Judith A. Schwendler ’82, of Ward & Brenon, in Williamsville, N.Y., was elected vice president of the Amherst East Rotary Club.

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Robert C. Schwenkel ’82 has been named a partner in the New York City law firm of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobsen. He is a member of the firm’s corporate department specializing in mergers and acquisitions.

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Catharine M. Venzon ’82, a solo practitioner specializing in matrimonial law, in Buffalo, recently discussed family law, divorce and custody at a workshop for adult BOCES students.

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Richard R. Anderson ’83 is state assemblyman for the 142nd District. He served for 10 years as Erie County legislator in the 16th District. Anderson resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

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Keith N. Bond ’83 has joined Moot & Sprague, in Buffalo.

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William E. Coplon ’83 has become a member of Cohen & Lombardo, P.C., in Buffalo.

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Colleen A. Brown ’83 has been promoted to the position of counsel for the Canandaigua National Bank and Trust Co. Prior to joining the bank in 1988, she was law clerk to Hon. Beryl E. McGuire, chief bankruptcy judge of the Western District of New York, and then worked as an estate administrator of the Bankruptcy Court. In 1987, she was appointed the assistant U.S. trustee for the Western District and worked for the Department of Justice.

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Joyce E. Funda ’83 and Michael L. Munley ’71 have formed a partnership, Munley & Funda, in Buffalo.

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Alice A. Joseffer ’83 has become a partner with Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, in Buffalo.

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Michael E. Marszalkowski ’83 has become a partner with Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, in Buffalo.

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Scott D. Miller ’83, of Marine Midland Bank, N.A., in Buffalo, was elected vice president of the Niagara Frontier Corporate Counsel Association.

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Linda J. Nenni ’83, of Falk & Seimer, in Buffalo, was elected president of the Women’s Bar Association for the Eighth Judicial District. She is also an active board member of the UB Law Alumni Association and is chair of the 1990 Alumni Convocation. She specializes in health care law.

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Daniel Raisher ’83 is senior trial attorney with William J. Cariello, Esq., in Garden City, N.Y. The firm is house counsel to the Prudential Insurance Co., primarily handling the defense of negligence actions in New York City and surrounding counties. Raisher resides in Brooklyn, N.Y.

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Linda S. Reynolds ’83 has been appointed permanent executive attorney of the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo. She previously worked as an attorney in the U.S. District Court, Buffalo.

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Joseph F. Ruh Jr. ’83 has taken a position as corporate counsel at Computer Consoles Inc. in Rochester, N.Y. He previously was with the Rochester law firm of Harris, Beach, Wilcox, Rubin & Levey.

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Michael B. Sexton ’83 has been named a partner with Williams, Stevens, McCa rville, & Frizzell, Buffalo.

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Lisa J. G. Weikel ’83 reports that she has a general practice located in Buckingham, Pa., with emphasis on worker’s compensation, education law, personal injury
and domestic law. She resides in Pipersville, Pa., and gave birth to a second child, Maximus, in March 1988.

Wayne L. Wisniewski '83, a deputy staff judge advocate in the U.S. Air Force, reports that he is married to Diana B. Dubey and has relocated from Italy back to Brooklyn, N.Y.

Ellen G. Yost '83 has become associated with the Buffalo law firm of Saperston & Day, P.C., where she specializes in corporate and U.S.-Canada legal matters. She currently chairs the New York State Bar Association’s Committee on U.S.-Canada Law, International Law and Practice Section, and is a member of the executive committee of the International Law and Practice Section of the New York State Bar Association. She is a member of the Canadian Bar Association and the International Law Committee of the American Bar Association.

A graduate of Mount Holyoke College, Yost began her legal career with the law firm of Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel. Last year, she served as president of the Buffalo Council on World Affairs. She is a director of the Buffalo World Trade Association and a member of Erie County’s Canada Commerce Task Force.

Thomas Cassada '84 has been named associate program director for corporate/foundation relations at the University of Rochester Medical Center’s Development Office.

Elizabeth G. Clark '84 has become a partner with Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, in Buffalo.

George W. Collins Jr. '84, of Koren, Birtell & Hoer, in Buffalo, has been selected to become a member of Buffalo 2000, an organization of young professionals and executives working to better the Greater Buffalo community. He resides in Snyder with his wife, Gretchen, and their two children.

Mary P. Hinz '84 is associated with Robert J. Hirsch, P.C., in Rochester, N.Y.

Robert E. Knoer '84 and David P. Marcus '84 have formed a two-attorney partnership, Marcus & Knoer, in Buffalo.

Kevin Tripi '84 has joined the Costa Mesa, Calif., law firm of Drummy, Garrett, King & Harrison, where he specializes in real estate, litigation, and corporate securities and tax law. He resides in Newport Beach, Calif.

Timothy L. Feagans '85, of Schnader, Harrison, Segal & Lewis, in Philadelphia, and his wife, Cheryl J., are the parents of a son, Bryan William.

Scott McBride '85, of Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods and Goodyear, in Buffalo, has been elected treasurer of the Amherst Rotary Club.

Barbara Mosher Lewis '85 writes that she is counsel with the Pyramid Management Group Inc. in Syracuse, N.Y. She lives in Manlius, N.Y., with her husband, Russell G. Lewis.

Stephen Schop '85 has been appointed an associate with Hurwitz & Fine, in Buffalo.

Michael G. Zapsin '85 was appointed to the Long Beach City Council in Long Beach, N.Y. He is an attorney with the firm of Field, Lomenzo & Turret, P.C., in New York City.

Alberto Manuel Benitez '86 is a staff attorney for the Legal Assistance Foundation, in Chicago, Ill.

Jeffrey H. Katz '86 and his wife, Susan, announce the birth of their son, Jacob Yale. They reside in Amherst, N.Y.

Katherine L. Niven '86 is involved in the historic preservation of buildings, working out of the state museum in Harrisburg, Pa.

Gregory P. Rabb '86, assistant professor of political science, Jamestown Community College, was recently awarded a grant from the American Bar Association Fund for Justice and Education, in support of his project “Comparative Legal Studies: Canada, the United States, and Individual Rights.” He will develop resource materials for student use and the college will sponsor a one-day workshop in March 1990 on Canadian-U.S. differences with respect to law and constitutionalism.

Arthur L. Scinta '86, of Wiel, Gotshall & Manges, in New York City, reports that he is in the trade regulations department specializing in international antitrust litigation. Scinta lives on Roosevelt Island in New York City.

Victor R. Siclari '86 reports he is an attorney with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, D.C. He graduated with distinction in 1989 from Georgetown University Law Center with an LL.M. in securities regulation. He now lives in Alexandria, Va. In his free time, he is helping to organize the Washington, D.C., chapter of the UB Law Alumni Association.

Robert P. Simpson '87 writes that he is an associate with Dunn & Associates, a patent law firm, in Lockport, N.Y.

Mark E. Brand '88, of Kirkpatrick & Lockhart, in Pittsburgh, Pa., reports he has passed the Pennsylvania bar exam.

Brian M. Martin '88 writes that he is with the firm of Eckert, Seamans, Chevin & Mellott, in Pittsburgh, Pa.
Marriages

Robert L. Borenanaz '89, and Bunnie L. Herb, Nov. 4, 1989.

Margaret R. Burke '86, and Brian Sutter '86, May 27, 1989. They are living in Buffalo.


Jennifer Gloria Common '87, and Lawrence F. Cousins, July 1, 1989. They are living in Buffalo.


Timothy Allan Farley '86, and Karen Keller, Sept. 9, 1989. They are living in Watertown, N.Y.

Carole Fitzsimmons '87, and James Saver, Aug. 19, 1989. They are living in Snyder, N.Y.

Grace Marie Gannon, a third-year student, and Edward Andrew Jackson, June 10, 1989. They are living in Amherst, N.Y.

Celia Merlyn Garelick '87, and Samuel Miles Spirits '87, Nov. 4, 1989.

Carol A. Giarrizzo '87, and C. Christopher Bridge, Oct. 7, 1989. They are residing in Buffalo.

Jeffery Gibb '86, and Mary Ellen Vogel, May 13, 1989. They are living in Princeton, N.J.


Irene Hirata '84, and Daniel J. McMullen, Sept. 24, 1988. They are residing in Cleveland.

Karen Marie Hoyden, a third-year student, and William Christopher Curtin Jr., July 1, 1989. They are living in Buffalo.

Suzanne Marie Kent '87, and Patrick J. Maxwell, Nov. 25, 1989. They are living in Hamburg, N.Y.

Emily Kern '85, and Mark Metz '86, Sept. 9, 1989. They are residing in Buffalo.

Edward John Markarian '85, and Linda Susan Bleyle, April 8, 1989. They are living in Snyder, N.Y.

Brian Martin '88, and Lisa Palombo. They are residing in Pittsburgh.

Mark Patrick Murphy, a third-year student, and Sheila Marie Jablonski, July 15, 1989. They are residing in Kenmore, N.Y.

Laurie G. Ogden '80, and Jeffrey T. Lacey '78, Sept. 23, 1989. They are living in Buffalo.

Gina Peca '86, and Lawrence Hoch, Nov. 11, 1989. They are living in New York City.

Michael Brian Risman '79, and Mary Elizabeth Benbennick, Aug. 19, 1989. They are living in Buffalo.


Susan Westbrook Schoeppler '88, and Norman Bruno Viti Jr. '89, Sept. 22, 1989. They are living in Buffalo.


Roger W. Wilcox Jr. '88, and Lynda Marie Wittman, Oct. 28, 1989. They are living in Cheektowaga, N.Y.

Linda Ann Zablotsny '76, and John Lynn Hurst, Nov. 25, 1989. They are residing in Buffalo.

Francis M. Shea
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Francis M. Shea, the fifth dean of the University at Buffalo Law School—who was a founder of a top Washington, D.C., law firm and served in a number of federal government posts—died Aug. 6, 1989, in Alexandria, Va. He headed UB Law School from 1936 to 1939, when he left to become an assistant U.S. attorney general. He remained in government practice until 1945.

In 1947 he helped to establish the firm of Shea & Gardner in Washington. For the next four decades, Shea engaged in an extensive litigation practice that involved significant federal appellate court work, including a number of U.S. Supreme Court cases.

Among his clients in private practice were a number of major railroads that he represented under the Railroad Labor Act. In one important case, a 10-month antitrust trial, he gained exoneration for three Southern railways. Among the more than 50 cases he argued in federal appellate courts were Marcus Wireless Telegraph Co. v. United States (320 U.S. 1, 1943), and Federal Power Commission v. Hope Natural Gas Co. (320 U.S. 591, 1944).

In the Marcus case, Marconi patents, which were crucial to radio broadcasting, were invalidated by the Supreme Court because they were found to add little to prior breakthrough discoveries. In the Hope Natural Gas case, basic principles were established to govern utility rate-setting.

In the wake of World War II, Shea served as an associate counsel for the prosecution of Axis war criminals at Nuremberg.

Shea was born in Manchester, N.H., in 1905. He received a B.A. from Dartmouth in 1925, and an LL.B from Harvard in 1928. From 1929 to 1934, he resided in Buffalo and practiced law in the firm of Slocum, O'Brien, Hettings, and Usb. From 1935 to 1936, he served as general coun-
sel for the Puerto Rico Reconstruction Administration.

He was selected to head the Law School during the critical period in which it was seeking accreditation from the American Bar Association. He moved to upgrade the school, adding three Harvard graduates to the faculty, increasing the library by 6,300 volumes and intensifying the moot court program. Accreditation was quick to follow.

Survivors include his wife, the former Hilda Droshnicopp, and a son, Richard, of Cambridge, Mass.

In Memoriam

Joseph Adler ’18
Flossmoor, Illinois

Ernest E. DeRose ’19
Utica, New York

J. Wesley Andrews ’20
Lockport, New York

Jacob G. Israel ’22
Buffalo, New York

Robert L. Wells ’22
Troy, New York

Arthur E. Otten ’24
Buffalo, New York

Harold I. Popp ’24
Hamburg, New York

Harris A. Britting ’25
Williamsville, New York

Jean A. Martin ’27
Buffalo, New York

Roswell P. Rosengren ’27
St. Petersburg, Florida

Roland H. Tills ’27
Hamburg, New York

Pierson L. Cohen ’28
Buffalo, New York

William P. Stewart ’28
Greenfield, Maine

Jean A. Martin ’29
Buffalo, New York

Lynn D. Wallace ’29
Snyder, New York

Lawrence T. Casey ’30
Buffalo, New York

Eugene M. Downey ’31
Buffalo, New York

Clarence S. Wertheimer ’31
Buffalo, New York

George J. Carp ’32
Hollywood, Florida

Ernest L. Colucci ’32
Buffalo, New York

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Falmouth, Maine

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Sun City Center, Florida

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Buffalo, New York

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Las Cruces, New Mexico

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George Wallach ’67
Columbus, Missouri

Jeffrey R. Frank ’71
Evansville, Indiana

Lewis M. Scoville ’72
Batavia, New York

Robert B. Chesbro ’73
Hamburg, New York

John T. Feck ’73
Boscawen, New Hampshire

John L. Hargrave ’76
Buffalo, New York

Howell L. Sporn ’76
Englishtown, New Jersey

William M. Abramowitz ’77
New York City

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Griffin Mills, New York

Kenneth Gomez
Queens, New York