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1940s

Philip H. Magnier Jr. '49 has been appointed special counsel to the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P. He will practice in the areas of personal injury and medical malpractice. Magnier lives in Williamsville, N.Y.

1950s

Hon. Ann T. Mikoll '54, recently retired as a justice in the Appellate Division, 3rd Dept., of the New York State Supreme Court, was honored in December at the annual luncheon of the Women Lawyers of Western New York. She resides in Depew, N.Y.

Eugene C. Tenney '54 has been appointed to the Judicial Hearing Officer Selection Advisory Committee for the Fourth Judicial Department of New York State. Tenney practices in Buffalo and resides in Eggertsville, N.Y.

Hon. Frank R. Bayger '55 has been appointed of counsel to the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P. He will practice in the areas of personal injury and construction accidents. A retired New York State Supreme Court justice, Bayger resides in Buffalo.

Hon. Vincent E. Doyle '55, New York State Supreme Court justice in the 8th Judicial District, was honored for pro bono work by the Erie County Bar Association's Volunteer Lawyers Project. He resides in Buffalo.

Edward J. O'Connor '56, a partner in the Buffalo law firm Bouvier, O'Connor, was elected to chair the New York State Bar Association’s 960-member Municipal Law Section. A former director of the Bar Association of Erie County, O'Connor lives in Alden, N.Y.

Grace Marie Ange '57 was named Lawyer of the Year by the Bar Association of Erie County at its 112th annual dinner on June 10, 1999. She is a partner in the Buffalo law firm Ange & Ange.

Robert D. Colestock '57 has retired to Clearwater, Fla., after 42 years of practice. He had been with Roth and Wehrly Inc., Fort Wayne, Ind.

Richard F. Griffin '57, a partner in the Buffalo-based law firm Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber, L.L.P., was honored by the National Association of Railroad Trial Counsel with its Distinguished Member Award. Griffin resides in Buffalo.

Maryann C. Saccomando Freedman '58, of Buffalo, was selected by the Eighth Judiciary District Committee on Women in the Courts to receive an award at the Women in the Law and Women's History Month celebration luncheon held on Feb. 25, at the Statler Towers Golden Ballroom, in Buffalo.
Freedman is a member of the Buffalo law firm Cohen & Lombardo P.C., in Buffalo.

Hon. Jacqueline M. Koshian ’59, New York State Supreme Court justice, was the first recipient of an award named in her honor, recognizing outstanding community service and legal achievement, and given by the Niagara Falls, N.Y., Bar Association. She was also honored at the Women in the Law and Women’s History Month celebration luncheon held on Feb. 25, at the Statler Towers Golden Ballroom, in Buffalo. Koshian was selected by the Eighth Judicial District Committee on Women in the Courts. Elected to the bench in 1986, she resides in Niagara Falls.

1960s

H. Kenneth Schroeder Jr. ’61, a partner in the Buffalo-based law firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, was named a United States magistrate judge in Buffalo. “The judges of the court believed that Ken Schroeder, based upon his extensive experience as a practicing lawyer in both civil and criminal matters, is very well suited to assume this position,” Chief U.S. District Judge David G. Larimer said in announcing the appointment. Schroeder lives in Orchard Park, N.Y.

Phillip Brothman ’62, a senior partner in the Buffalo law firm Brothman & Yusick, was re-elected treasurer of the New York State Association of School Attorneys, a position he has held since 1986. He is attorney for the Lake Shore Central School District and special district counsel to the Gowanda Central School District. A past president of the UB Law Alumni Association, Brothman lives in Williamsville, N.Y.

Lawrence D. Chesler ’62 has been appointed vice president and general counsel for Navigation Technologies Corp. in Chicago, a developer of map databases used by in-vehicle navigation systems. He resides in Chicago.

Paul W. Dolloff ’62, of the Buffalo law firm Schwendler & Dolloff, was elected president of the New York State Association of School Attorneys at its annual meeting on Oct. 2, 1999. School district attorney for the Clarence Central School District, he resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

Hon. Joseph S. Forma ’65 has been appointed to the Judicial Hearing Officer Selection Advisory Committee for the Fourth Judicial Department of New York State. He serves as a state Supreme Court justice.


Frederick A. Wolf ’67, an attorney with the Buffalo law firm Saperston & Day, P.C., and Aurora town attorney, has been named county attorney by Erie County, N.Y., Executive Joel A. Giambra. Wolf resides in East Aurora, N.Y.

Robert P. Fine ’68, senior member of the Buffalo law firm Hurwitz & Fine, P.C., has been appointed to the Departmental Judicial Screening Committee for the New York State Supreme Court’s Appellate Division, 4th Department. The 13-member committee evaluates candidates for vacancies on the Supreme Court and the Appellate Division. Fine resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

Hon. Paul L. Friedman ’68 is a judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. He was elected to the Council of the American Law Institute for an interim term pending the institute’s annual meeting in San Francisco, where he will be recommended for a regular term. Friedman resides in Washington, D.C.

Howard Relin ’68 was elected to a fifth term as Monroe County, N.Y., district attorney, making him the longest-serving D.A. in the county’s history. He resides in Rochester, N.Y.
The Class of 1949 held its 50-year reunion on Wednesday, Aug. 4, 1999 at the Park Country Club, in Buffalo. Over 26 classmates attended the event. Joining the celebration were Professors Jacob D. Hyman and Professor Albert R. Mugel.

"It was a pleasure seeing so many classmates after 50 years," says Sherwood Bestry of the Law Offices of Sherwood Bestry, in Amherst, N.Y. "The gala event was outstanding."

The event was chaired by George M. Zimmermann, of the Buffalo law firm Albrecht, Maguire, Heffern and Gregg.

First row, left to right: Hon. Frederick M. Marshall, Hon. Victor E. Manz, Hon. John T. Curtin, Professor Jacob D. Hyman, Professor Albert R. Mugel, James H. Gibbin and Robert J. Hellerer

Michael R. Wolford ’68, a partner in the Rochester, N.Y., law firm Wolford & Leclair, L.L.P., has become a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He was inducted at the group’s annual meeting on Oct. 30, 1999, in Philadelphia. Wolford resides in Victor, N.Y.

Donald B. Eppers ’69 assumed the presidency of the Bar Association of Erie County for the 1999-2000 term. Eppers is a partner in the Buffalo law firm of Brown & Kelly, L.L.P., and a resident of Orchard Park, N.Y.

James P. Harrington ’69 received the Criminal Justice Award from the Bar Association of Erie County at its Law Day luncheon on April 30, 1999. He practices and resides in Buffalo.

Joseph V. Sedita ’69 has joined the Buffalo-based law firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, L.L.P. He will practice as a member of the firm’s litigation team in the areas of criminal law, business crimes, tax crimes, aerospace defense, environmental criminal defense, health care investigation and health care defense. Sedita lives in Buffalo.

1970s

Warren B. Gelman ’70 has been elected to the board of trustees of the Nichols School, Buffalo. A partner in the Buffalo law firm McGee & Gelman, he resides in Snyder, N.Y.

Ernest J. Norman ’70 has become a member of the Buffalo law firm Watson, Bennett, Colligan, Johnson & Schechter, L.L.P. He focuses his practice in the areas of commercial, corporate, international, banking and environmental law. Norman lives in Kenmore, N.Y.

Anthony M. Nosek ’71 has returned to the Buffalo law firm Cohen & Lombardo, P.C., practicing in the areas of environmental law, corporate law, municipal contracts and civil litigation. Nosek resides in Lancaster, N.Y.

Norman S. Rosenberg ’71 is the executive director of the New Israel Fund in Washington, D.C.

Hon. Richard R. Stokely ’71 was sworn in on Jan. 1, 1999, to serve a four-year term as Otero County magistrate judge in Alamogordo, N.M. He lives in Alamogordo.

Hon. John J. Ark ’72, a New York State Supreme Court justice, was named to the Commission on Drugs and the Courts, which evaluates and recommends improvements in the state courts regarding substance abuse. He resides in Rochester, N.Y.

Hon. Mark G. Farrell ’72 has been named a Diplomat of the National Drug Court Institute, having completed the Comprehensive Drug Court Certification Program conducted at Georgetown Law Center in Washington, D.C. A judge in the Amherst, N.Y., Drug Court, he practices in East Amherst, N.Y., and lives in Williamsville, N.Y.

Eric C. Nordby ’92 is an attorney with the law firm of Hancock and Estabrook, L.L.P., in Syracuse, N.Y. where he resides.

Thomas F. Segalla ’72 recently served as a faculty member in the 1999 New York State judicial seminar “Furthering Justice Through Education.” Associated with the Buffalo law firm Saperston & Day, P.C., he lives in Eggertsville, N.Y.

W. James Schwan ’72 has joined with Andrea L. Sammarco ’92 and Tracy D. Sammarco ’95 to form the Buffalo law firm Schwan, Sammarco & Sammarco. He lives in Buffalo.

Jeffrey A. Spencer ’72 has been appointed as a court attorney assigned to help organize and operate the new Commercial Division of Erie County Supreme Court. Spencer resides in Tonawanda, N.Y.

Paul F. Stavis ’72 is now an associate professor at George Mason University Law School, Arlington, Va., where he
The Class of 1959 commemorated its 40-year reunion with a two-day celebration on Friday, May 21, and Saturday, May 22, 1999. Classmates began the weekend with a reception at the Law School on Friday evening. Saturday's events included an afternoon golf outing at the Wanakah Country Club, followed by a cocktail reception and dinner at The Buffalo Club.

"It was really great to see all of our classmates, since we have been out of school for a number of years and are not always in touch with one another," comments James W. Kirkpatrick of Liptsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P., in Buffalo.

Thomas R. Beecher Jr., president of Bailynoe LLC, in Buffalo, and Joseph F. Crangle, of Block and Colucci PC, chaired the event.

First row: Hon. Jacqueline M. Koshian


Third row, left to right: Noel E. Bartlo, Donald P. Sheldon and Eli H. Frankel

Fourth row, left to right: F. Warren Kahn, Donald M. Silverberg, Eugene P. O'Connor and Robert Shook

Marriages

Congratulations to the following newlyweds:

Lisa J. Allen ’90 and Michael C. Veruto ’98, June 11, 1999
Christopher John Belter ’93 and Tricia Alexandra Vacanti ’98, Oct. 2, 1999
Anne Marie Bevilacqua ’98 and Paul W. Dils, Sept. 24, 1999
Melissa R. Brown ’99 and Joseph Earl Williams II, Aug. 21, 1999
Anthony T. Casilio ’86 and Lori Ann Derr, July 3, 1999
Michael J. Chmiel ’99 and Toni Lyn Frain ’99, Sept. 25, 1999
Brian Christopher Clark ’98 and Lori Ann Rambino, July 24, 1999
Margrit Mary DiCamillo ’97 and Jeffrey Francis Voelkl, April 24, 1999
Jeanette L. Dixon ’95 and Richard Lee-Sam, June 26, 1999
Susan M. Etu ’96 and James E. Eagan, Nov. 24, 1999
Mark B. Farber ’97 and Michele Marks, June 12, 1999
David Fensterstock ’94 and Dale Robbins, Oct. 23, 1999
Albert A. Foster Jr. ’83 and Alisha Arnold, Jan. 1, 1999
Darleen V. Gawron ’99 and Dr. Brian M. Karaszewski, Aug. 7, 1999
Suzanne Gregory ’95 and Michael B. Risman ’79, Jan. 15, 2000
David Grover ’94 and Jill Zirlin, Aug. 28, 1999
Kimberly A. Harrington ’99 and Douglas K. Cline, Aug. 28, 1999
Kevin W. Hourihan ’99 and Ammie L. Endich, May 29, 1999
William J. Ilecki ’89 and Hillary B. Rifkin, Oct. 16, 1999
Andrew B. Isenberg ’92 and Jennifer S. Ross, June 26, 1999
Mollybeth R. Kocialski ’97 and Christopher R. McAlpine, June 12, 1999
John Joseph Koeppel ’98 and Karin Diane Kraus, March 27, 1999
Gregory P. Krull ’89 and Dr. Barbara A. Moore, Sept. 10, 1999
Darren R. Longo ’96 and Kelly Lynne Styles, Sept. 4, 1999
David A. LoTempio ’84 and Susan M. Bennett, April 24, 1999
Terrence Michael McNamara ’99 and Michele Ann DeVole, Dec. 10, 1999
Mimi Meng ’95 and David A. Wright ’96, July 17, 1999
Carol Messito ’98 and Matthew Schneider, Sept. 18, 1999
William D. Murphy ’98 and Bridget A. Sheehan, July 23, 1999
Sandra A. Nasca ’88 and James Meyer Munschauer, Nov. 13, 1999
Sharon Kristen Prise ’99 and John M. Azurin, Aug. 27, 1999
Amy Rosen ’90 and David Brand, Nov. 28, 1998
Salvatore Thomas Sanfilippo ’89 and Saskia Judith Irene Barbara van Ree, Oct. 30, 1999
Wendy A. Scott ’93 and Timothy J. Stevens ’93, May 8, 1999
Stephen A. Sharkey ’98 and Joette Marie Calabrese, Nov. 13, 1999
Mark F. Steiner ’91 and Diva Aguzzi, Aug. 7, 1999
Jennifer Lynn Stoeckl ’98 and Jeffrey Alan Burke, May 8, 1999
Teresa J. Weinreber ’95 and David R. Mucha, Aug. 21, 1999
Brian Richard Yoshida ’96 and Holly Lyn Karam, July 17, 1999
The Class of 1961 gathered at The Buffalo Club on Saturday, October 2, 1999, to mark a rather unusual milestone — its 38-year reunion. The cocktail reception and dinner were chaired by Stuart Gellman, of the Law Offices of Stuart A. Gellman, in Buffalo.

"It was a great time," says Stephen E. Cavanaugh, partner in the Buffalo law firm Cavanaugh, Stephenson and Matuszak. "Our class normally gets together every five years, but we decided to do it more often. Our reunion this past year was especially enjoyable in that it was less formal and allowed us the chance to mingle with each other. Stu Gellman did a great job, as usual."


Reconnect with your classmates
You can have a terrific time reconnecting with your Law School classmates by joining a Class Reunion Committee. The lifelong friends you made and the good times you shared during your three-year journey through UB Law deserve to be remembered — and celebrated — in your class' own special way.

Anyone interested in becoming involved with the reunion program should call Deborah Scott at (716) 645-6429 or e-mail her at devdm@acsu.buffalo.edu.

The Law School Alumni Office is happy to assist Class Reunion Committees. It will:
- Provide professional staff support
- Provide class lists and other information from the alumni database
- Offer event planning assistance
- Help organize and support the classes' gift committees
- Mail reunion information to class members
- Organize and support classes' program committees
- Publish reunion plans in The Forum and other UB publications
- Provide professional photographers for class dinners
- Provide class photos free of charge to participants
- Arrange for the dean and faculty to participate in classes' events, if desired.
directs the school's newly established Law and Psychiatry Center. He lives in
Fairfax, Va.

Sanford L. Clark '73 announced the establishment of his private practice in
Buffalo. Clark limits his practice to matters before the Worker's Compensation
Board of New York State. He lives in Buffalo.

Maurice C. Doyle '73 has joined the Buffalo law firm Donald H. Lischer,
P.C., as an associate. He will practice in the real estate and default services
deptartment. Doyle resides in Youngstown, N.Y.

Neil A. Goldberg '73 was elected president-elect of the Defense Research
Institute, the nation's largest association of civil litigation defense lawyers. A
senior trial partner at the Buffalo law firm Saperston & Day, P.C., he resides in
Williamsville, N.Y.

Donald H. Haight '73 is director of contract management for University
Medical Center of Southern Nevada, in Las Vegas. He resides in Las Vegas.

Richard Oulton '73 is president of Affiliated Attorneys Inc. in Richmond,
Va. He resides in Glen Allen, Va.

Hon. Eugene F. Pigott Jr. '73, of Grand Island, N.Y., was promoted by
Gov. George E. Pataki from associate justice, Appellate Division, Supreme
Court, Fourth Judicial Department, to presiding justice of the state appeals
court. He also will serve on a five-member policy board that oversees every
state court in New York. Justice Pigott has been a judge for three years. He
served on the appellate division since March 1998.

Hon. Rose H. Sconiers '73, a New
York State Supreme Court justice, was
elected secretary of the Judicial Council
of the New York State Bar Association.
She will assume the chair of the council
in 2002. She was named district judge
for justice initiatives. She will coordi-
nate activities of the advisory commit-
tee with the Franklin H. Williams
Commission on Minorities, a statewide
organization of which she is a member.

Justice Sconiers, of Buffalo, was also
selected by the Eighth Judiciary
District Committee on Women in the
Courts to be honored at the Women in
the Law and Women's History Month
celebration luncheon held on Feb. 25,
at the Statler Towers Golden Ballroom.
She resides in Buffalo.

Michael J. Karger '74 is a partner in
Kane, Ballmer & Berkman, a Los
Angeles firm that specializes in repre-
senting public agencies. Before he
joined the firm, he was city attorney of
Gardena, Calif. He and his wife,
Suzanne, live in Manhattan Beach,
Calif.

Hon. James A.W. McLeod '74 was
elected to a 10-year term on the Buffalo
City Court bench. He resides in
Buffalo.

Tricia T. Semmelhack '74, a partner
in the Buffalo-based law firm Hodgson,
Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear,
L.L.P., was selected to participate in the
first Canada/U.S.A. Businesswomen's
Trade Summit, held in Toronto. The
forum discussed important cross-border business issues with key Canadian
and U.S. policy makers. Semmelhack
lives in Orchard Park, N.Y.

Richard M. Tobe '74 received the
Commander's Award for Public Service
from the Department of the Army for his
work as commissioner of the Erie
County Department of Environment
and Planning, and as chairman of the
Coalition Against Nuclear Materials in
Tonawanda. He lives in Buffalo.

Hon. Julio M. Fuentes '75 was nomi-
inated by President Clinton to the
Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit
in New Jersey. He has been a judge
on New Jersey's Superior Court bench in
Essex County since 1987.

James D. Gauthier '75 has been
selected secretary of the Association of
Defense Trial Attorneys. A member of
the Buffalo law firm Hurwitz & Fine,
P.C., he concentrates his practice in
civil litigation. Gauthier resides in
Kenmore, N.Y.

Pamela Davis Heilman '75, a part-
ner in the Buffalo-based law firm
Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods &
Goodyear, L.L.P., was selected to par-
ticipate in the first Canada/U.S.A.
Businesswomen's Trade Summit, held
in Toronto. The forum discussed
important cross-border business issues
with key Canadian and U.S. policy mak-
ers. Heilman lives in Buffalo.

Diane F. Bosse '76 was elected a
member of the board of trustees of the
National Conference of Bar Examiners,
which develops and administers tests
and services to bar examining boards
nationwide. General partner in the
Buffalo law firm Volgenau & Bosse, she
resides in Clarence, N.Y.

Patrick J. Brown '76, a member of
the Buffalo law firm LoTempio &
Brown, P.C., attended the 1999
National Sentencing Policy Institute
in California. Brown resides in
Williamsville, N.Y.

Louis P. Di Lorenzo '76, managing
partner in the Syracuse, N.Y., law firm
Bond, Schoenbeck and King, edited two
recent issues of the New York State Bar
Journal, including a fall 1999 issue on
labor and employment law. He resides
in Fayetteville, N.Y.

William A. Gersten '76 was elected
a director of the Bar Association of Erie
County. Practicing with the Buffalo law
firm Davis, Angello, Matteliano &
Gersten, he resides in Amherst, N.Y.

Kenneth S. Kasdan '76 is senior part-
ner at Kasdan, Simonds, McIntyre,
Epstein & Martin in Irvine, Calif., a firm
that practices in the area of construction
defect litigation. Kasdan taught a bridge
course, Complex Civil Litigation, in
March 2000 at UB Law School. He
resides in Mission Viejo, Calif.

Richard C. Kloch Sr. '76 recently
was honored by the Niagara County
chapter of Mothers Against Drunk
Driving for his work on behalf of vic-
tims of that crime. Kloch is a North
Tonawanda, N.Y., City Court judge and
in practice in North Tonawanda, where
he also lives.
The Class of 1969 planned a weekend celebration to mark its 30-year reunion. On Friday, July 16, 1999, classmates assembled at Marotto's & DuBois Restaurant in downtown Buffalo to kick off the festivities. Saturday, July 17, began with brunch at the Law School, followed by a river, lock and canal trip aboard the Miss Buffalo, and ending with a formal dinner at the Westwood Country Club, in Williamsville, N.Y. Friends exchanged farewells with their classmates from out-of-town after brunch on Sunday morning at Cole's Restaurant, in Buffalo.

"It was great that the Law School was involved," says Alan Hoffman of the Law Office of Alan S. Hoffman, in Buffalo. "It had been a long time since we were on campus. We thank everyone at the Law School who did a great job helping us."

The Class of 1969's reunion committee was chaired by Robert B. Sommerstein, of Dubin, Sommerstein and Hunter LLP, in Buffalo.

**First row, left to right:** Alan R. Feldstein, Donald A. Alessi, E. Carey Cantwell, Ronald P. Raab, Alan S. Hoffman, Richard S. Usen, Helen Kaney Dempsey, Daniel E. Brick, Lawrence W. Golden and Frederick B. Cohen

**Second row, left to right:** James P. Harrington, Robert B. Sommerstein and Elbert Hargesheimer III.

**Third row, left to right:** Ronald J. Axelrod, Donald B. Eppers, John M. Dempsey and Allan M. Lewis

**Fourth row, left to right:** Richard J. Lippes, Stephen M. Zeitlin and Richard C. Heffern

**Fifth row, left to Right:** Frank A. Schwartzman, Ralph A. Boniello III, Lee J. Mondschein, Douglas S. Cream, Joseph V. Sedita and Robert M. Glazer
Thomas R. Lochner '76 has joined the Family Law Department of Bouvier, O'Connor, a Buffalo law firm. A family law practitioner since 1981, he is certified as a divorce mediator through the Bar Association of Erie County. Lochner resides in Amherst, N.Y.

Margaret W. Wong '76 was named a life member of the 8th Circuit Judicial Conference, in Ohio. She also received the Trailblazer's Award from the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association, and the 1999 Belle Sherwin Democracy in Action Award from the League of Women Voters in Cleveland. She is a resident of Shaker Heights, Ohio.

John J. Aman '77 was appointed a member of New York State's Family Court Advisory and Rules Committee. He resides in Buffalo.

Janice A. Barber '77, a partner in the Buffalo law firm Brown & Tarantino, recently presented a seminar, "Legal Aspects of the Practice of Nursing," with Linda J. Marsh '78, to the senior class of the Sisters Hospital School of Nursing. She lives in Buffalo.

Matthew J. Leeds '77 has been elected to membership in the American College of Real Estate Lawyers. A partner in the New York City law firm Robinson, Silverman, Pearce, Aronsohn & Berman, L.L.P., he resides in Chappaqua, N.Y.

Thomas Maligno '77 works as a director of career planning and development in Huntington, N.Y., and was honored on June 17, 1999, with the Commitment to Justice Award from Nassau/Suffolk Law Services, of which he was formerly executive director. Maligno lives in Huntington Station, N.Y.

Mary Dee Martoche '77, principal surrogate attorney in Erie County, N.Y., Surrogate Court, has been elected chairwoman of the board of directors of the American Red Cross, Greater Buffalo chapter. She lives in Buffalo.

Laurence K. Rubin '77, special counsel to Kavinoky & Cook, L.L.P., in Buffalo, was named commissioner of environment and planning by Erie County, N.Y., Executive Joel A. Giambra. He also was named president of the board of Jewish Family Service of Buffalo and Erie County. He is a Buffalo resident.

David M. Ascher '78 is vice president and general counsel to the Newark Group Inc. in Cranford, N.J., a manufacturer of paperboard and related products. He resides in Newark, N.J.

Hon. Kenneth L. Gartner '78 was elected a judge of the Nassau County District Court, and took office in January. He lives in Merrick, N.Y.

Garry M. Gruber '78 was elected vice president/president-elect of the 33,562-member Bar Association of Erie County. He becomes president in June 2000. Gruber, with the Buffalo-based law firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, resides in Orchard Park, N.Y.

Linda J. Marsh '78, a partner in the Buffalo law firm Ziller, Marsh & Lang, L.L.P., recently presented a seminar, "Legal Aspects of the Practice of Nursing," with Janice A. Barber '77, to the senior class of the Sisters Hospital School of Nursing. She lives in Buffalo.

Kathleen M. Mehltretter '78 was named first assistant U.S. attorney in the Western District of New York. She is a resident of Orchard Park, N.Y.

Peter F. Brady '79, joined with Alan P. Schaefer '94 to form Brady & Schaefer, L.L.P., in Amherst, N.Y. Their practice will concentrate on personal injury litigation. Brady lives in Buffalo.

Ann E. Evanko '79 received a 1999 Outstanding Achievement Award from the YWCA of Western New York at its 21st annual Leader Luncheon. She also was honored by the Eighth Judiciary District Committee on Women in the Courts at the Women in the Law and Women's History Month celebration luncheon held on Feb. 25, at the Statler Towers Golden Ballroom, in Buffalo. A
The 25-year reunion of the Class of 1974 began with a reception on Friday, April 23, 1999, at the Calumet Arts Café, in downtown Buffalo. The celebration continued Saturday, April 24, 1999, with a morning brunch at the Law School, and an afternoon of golf at the Glen Oak golf course, in East Amherst, N.Y. The festivities culminated Saturday night with an evening of dinner and dancing at The Saturn Club, in Buffalo.

"It was very pleasant to see people I hadn’t seen in 25 years," says Christopher J. Belling of the Erie County District Attorney’s Office. “The event was very well planned and well executed.”


First row, left to right: William Reich, Judith D. Katzelson, Susan Bring Tobe, Marylou E. Clark, Tricia T. Semmelhack, Linda J. Mead and Professor Marjorie Girth


Third row, left to right: George A. Neidich, George B. Quinlan, Jr., Christopher J. Belling, Mark J. Mahoney, Edward J. Snyder, Nathan S. Neil, Michael J. Karger, Michael G. Gfroerer and Nicholas Amigone

partner in the Buffalo law firm Hurwitz & Fine, P.C., Evanisko is a past president of the Women’s Bar Association of Western New York. She resides in Orchard Park, N.Y.

Gary Kanaley ’79 has joined the Buffalo law firm Falk & Siemer, L.L.P. He lives in Lake View, N.Y.

Dan D. Kohane ’79, a partner in the Buffalo law firm Hurwitz & Fine, P.C., has been appointed vice chair of the Defense Research Institute’s newly formed Technology Committee. Kohane also was re-elected chair of the Buffalo Convention Center Management Corp. for the fourth consecutive year. He resides in Buffalo.

Jerome William Paun ’79 was elected to a three-year term as treasurer of the National Lawyers Guild. He also co-chairs the group’s Labor and Employment Committee. A solo practitioner representing workers and labor organizations, he resides in Lebanon, Conn.

1980s

Hon. Timothy J. Cooper ’80 was named Magistrate of the Year at the 90th annual Magistrates Conference in Ellenville, N.Y. Cooper, who has been Evans, N.Y., town justice since 1986, resides in Derby, N.Y.

Gary Alan DeWaal ’80 is executive vice president and general counsel of the broker-dealer and futures commission merchant FIMAT USA Inc., where he is a member of the firm’s executive committee and oversees the legal, compliance and new accounts departments. He is also an adjunct professor of law at Brooklyn Law School. DeWaal lives in Brooklyn, N.Y., and works in New York City.

Karen L. Matthews ’80, assistant county attorney for Erie County, was elected president of the Buffalo Council on World Affairs, a non-profit organization that promotes awareness of global issues. She resides in Buffalo.

Michael A. Rossi ’80 has joined the Buffalo law firm Kenney, Kanaley, Shelton & Liptak, L.L.P., as of counsel. He will chair the business and real estate department. Rossi lives in North Tonawanda, N.Y.

Michael J. Abatemarco ’81 is on the board of directors of DualStar Technologies Corp. He practices in Greenvile, N.Y., and resides in Garden City, N.Y.

Regan P. Ihde ’81 was appointed assistant vice president and underwriting counsel for Chicago Title Insurance Co. and Ticor Title Insurance Co. She lives in Buffalo.

Ross T. Runfola ’81 was designated an Approved Consultant by the Academy of Family Mediators. A partner in the matrimonial litigation department at Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn in Buffalo, he resides in Buffalo.

Carol A. Condon ’82 received the Achievement Award from the Women’s Bar Association of the State of New York, in recognition of her years of service to the organization. Condon practices in Buffalo and resides in East Amherst, N.Y.

John P. Ferooleto ’82 was elected a director of the Bar Association of Erie County. He lives and practices in Buffalo.


Paul F. Murak ’82 has joined the Buffalo law firm Rosenthal, Siegel, Muenkel & Maloney, L.L.P., as an associate. He resides in East Aurora, N.Y.

Hon. Denise E. O’Donnell ’82, U.S. attorney for the Western New York District, has been appointed to Attorney General Janet Reno’s Advisory Committee of United States Attorneys. She will be chairwoman of the Advisory Committee’s investigation and intelligence subcommittee. O’Donnell was recognized at the Women in the Law and Women’s History Month celebration luncheon held on Feb. 25, at the Statler Towers Golden Ballroom. She received the Liberty Bell Award from the Bar Association of Erie County at its Law Day luncheon on April 30, 1999. A vice president of the UB Law Alumni Association and chair of its Oral History project, she resides in Buffalo.

Edward P. Yankelunas ’82 has been named a partner in the Buffalo law firm Damon & Morey. He practices in the business litigation department and also handles product liability and personal injury cases. Yankelunas resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

John A. Ziegler ’82 has joined the Buffalo law firm Rosenthal, Siegel, Muenkel & Maloney, L.L.P., as an associate. He resides in Buffalo.


Kathryn Jackson ’83 was honored by the U.S. Small Business Administration as the Regional Women in Business Advocate of the Year at a May 26, 1999, luncheon. Jackson, of the Buffalo law firm Gibson, McAskill & Crosby, L.L.P., resides in Getzville, N.Y.

Barbra A. Kavanaugh ’83 has become attorney general in charge of the Buffalo office of New York State Attorney General Elliot Spitzer. A longtime community activist, Kavanaugh resides in Buffalo.

Patrick J. Roach ’83 was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County’s Volunteer Lawyers Project. An attorney in solo practice and a Town of Tonawanda, N.Y., police lieutenant, he lives in Kenmore, N.Y.

On Saturday, Sept. 25, 1999, the Class of 1979 celebrated its 10-year reunion. Classmates met at the Law School for an afternoon lunch, then reunited later that evening at the Pearl Street Brewery for a buffet dinner.

"Characteristic of our days at UB Law, the event was leisurely, relaxed and informal," says Sharon A. Osgood, of the Law Office of Sharon A. Osgood, in Buffalo. "None of us had changed an iota, of course. It was a lot of fun."

Her classmate, Debra A. Norton, agreed, "Even after 20 years, everyone was relaxed and casual. It was just like we were back in law school. I was really impressed by the number of people who came from across the country."

The Class of 1979's reunion committee was led by Aven Rennie Harkawik, of East Amherst, N.Y., and Jean C. Powers, of Jaekle, Fleschmann & Mugel LLP, in Buffalo.

**First row, left to right:** David A. Brody, Joseph M. Schnitzer, Raymond P. Reichert, Charles C. Swankamp, Sharon A. Osgood, Lynn S. Edelman, Shelley B. Mayer and Michael H. Ranzenhofer

**Second row, left to right:** Mark A. Larsen, Claudia G. Allen, Mary Anne Connell, Alan M. Wishnow, Aven Rennie, Jerome W. Pauk, Debra A. Norton, Lawrence M. Ross, Joan M. Graziani, Thomas E. Black and Michael B. Risman

**Third row, left to right:** Mark A. Gruber, Salvatore P. Abbate, Mark B. Bander, William M. Brooks, Robert F. Hahn Jr., Jean C. Powers, Janet K. Lubow, Paul J. Sutozzi, Dennis P. Harkawik, John R. Drexelius Jr., Roger L. Ross, Ann E. Pfeiffer, Thomas W. Bender, John E. Gould, Dan D. Kohane, Candace S. Appleton, Harry F. Klodowski Jr. and Thomas G. Funk
August, 1999. He resides in East Meadow, N.Y.:  

**Ellen G. Yost '83**, formerly of Griffith & Yost, has merged her immigration practice and her offices in Buffalo and Belgium into Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, P.C., a firm headquartered in New York City. She joined the firm as a principal and managing partner of its Buffalo and Brussels offices. She and her staff will maintain their current offices at the Key Center, in Buffalo.  

**Michael H. Arnold '84** received a 1999 William E. McKnight Volunteer Service Award from the Volunteer Legal Services Project in Rochester, N.Y. Arnold, who has handled 13 pro bono bankruptcy cases in the past eight years, is a partner in the law firm Place & Arnold, in Fairport, N.Y., where he also resides.  

**Gary P. Bluestein '84** recently spoke at the state convention of the New York Society of Enrolled Agents. With the Amherst, N.Y., law firm Bluestein & Muhlauer, he resides in Buffalo.  

**George W. Collins Jr. '84**, a partner in the Buffalo law firm Bouvier, O'Connor, was elected to the board of directors of the Western New York Defense Trial Lawyers Association. He lives in Buffalo.  

**Mary M. Donoghé '84** was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. A solo practitioner, she lives in Buffalo.  

**Peter J. Hogan '84** was recently named a partner in the law firm Bond, Schoeneck & King, L.L.P. He concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial lending transactions, commercial and residential real estate, general business and corporate matters. He resides in Syracuse, N.Y.  

**Cindy Louise Foote Intschart '84** has been appointed as the first female district attorney of Jefferson County, N.Y. Her home is in Sackets Harbor, N.Y.  

**Erin M. Peradotto '84** was elected a director of the Bar Association of Erie County. Practicing with the Buffalo firm Volgenau & Bosse, she resides in Buffalo.  

**Anna Marie Richmond '84** of Buffalo received a Special Service Award from the U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York, in recognition of her pro bono work. Richmond worked with Robbie Lee Billingsley '88 on the Americans with Disabilities Act case of a state prisoner, who was awarded $150,000.  

**George F. Bellows '85** was recently elected treasurer of the Buffalo Council on World Affairs. A partner in the Buffalo law firm Jaekle, Fleischmann & Mugel, L.L.P., he resides in Buffalo.  

**Janet Heck Doyle '85** is CEO and president of the Kramer Junction Co., the managing general partner of five solar energy generating plants located in California's Mojave Desert. She lives and works in Evergreen, Colo.  

**Gayle L. Eagan '85** was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. An attorney with the Buffalo law firm Jaekle, Fleischmann & Mugel, L.L.P., she resides in Buffalo.  

**Richard E. Gottlieb '85** has joined the litigation practice group of Dykema Gossett P.C. in the firm's Chicago office. He holds a master of laws degree from Georgetown University Law Center. Gottlieb resides in Winnetka, Ill.  

**John T. Kolaga '85** has joined the Buffalo law firm Jaekle, Fleischmann & Mugel, L.L.P., as a partner. He will concentrate his practice in environmental law and litigation. He also serves as president of Brush Up Buffalo Inc. a not-for-profit corporation that paints the homes of needy homeowners. He makes his home in Amherst, N.Y.  

**Michelle C. Lombino '85** has joined the Phoenix, Ariz., law firm Withey & Tobin, P.L.C., as a member. She practices in the areas of business law, real
In Memoriam

The Law School extends its deepest condolences to the families and friends of the following alumi:

Harold B. Ehrlich ’22
Laguna Hills, California

Edward B. Murphy ’27
Amherst, New York

David Smolak ’27
Tamarac, Florida

Hon. G. Delwin Hervey ’31
Tonawanda, New York

John J. Sullivan Jr. ’35
Lackawanna, New York

Ralph O. Kreinheder ’36
Buffalo, New York

Edward F. Gibbons ’37
Williamsville, New York

Frank J. Luchowski ’37
Buffalo, New York

Richard K. Fleischmann ’38
Buffalo, New York

William A. Genrich ’38
Amherst, New York

James R. White ’38
Kenmore, New York

Samuel Fiandach ’39
Rochester, New York

Jeanette F. Snyder ’39
Rochester, New York

Levant M. Himelein ’47
Gowanda, New York

Ernest A. Polin ’47
LaJolla, California

William J. Rose Sr. ’47
Buffalo, New York

Walter W. Howitt ’48
East Aurora, New York

George T. Mosley ’48
Buffalo, New York

William R. Raikin ’49
Yonkers, New York

Martin F. Keil ’50
Huntington Beach, California

Henry Jarvis Turner ’50
San Jose, California

Jerald A. Wettengel ’50
Niagara Falls, New York

Michael A. Belliswych Jr. ’51
Eggertsville, New York

Prof. Robert B. Fleming Sr. ’51
Buffalo, New York

George J. Kohl ’51
West Seneca, New York

Maynard C. Schaus Jr. ’53
Davenport, Florida

Bernard Stillman ’53
Williamsville, New York

Edward Schmitt ’54
Williamsville, New York

Joseph G. Kihl ’55
Kenmore, New York

Richard E. Schnell ’55
North Tonawanda, New York

Thomas M. Dean ’56
Buffalo, New York

Edward H. Coughlin ’57
Snyder, New York

Jacob Sommerstein ’57
Williamsville, New York

Thomas H. Rosinski ’58
Hamburg, New York

Kenneth H. Hall ’59
East Aurora, New York

Hon. M. Dolores Denman ’65
Buffalo, New York

Arthur J. Freedman ’69
North Tonawanda, New York

Vincent A. Tobia ’74
Buffalo, New York

Linda Schuk Reynolds ’83
Buffalo, New York

Kenneth D. Neeves ’88
Richfield Springs, New York

Christopher J. Moriarity ’90
Buffalo, New York

Elizabeth J. Bergman ’96
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Harold B. Ehrlich ’22, Laguna Hills, California

Edward B. Murphy ’27, Amherst, New York

David Smolak ’27, Tamarac, Florida

Hon. G. Delwin Hervey ’31, Tonawanda, New York


Ralph O. Kreinheder ’36, Buffalo, New York

Edward F. Gibbons ’37, Williamsville, New York

Frank J. Luchowski ’37, Buffalo, New York

Richard K. Fleischmann ’38, Buffalo, New York

William A. Genrich ’38, Amherst, New York

James R. White ’38, Kenmore, New York

Samuel Fiandach ’39, Rochester, New York

Jeanette F. Snyder ’39, Rochester, New York

Levant M. Himelein ’47, Gowanda, New York

Ernest A. Polin ’47, LaJolla, California

William J. Rose Sr. ’47, Buffalo, New York

Walter W. Howitt ’48, East Aurora, New York

George T. Mosley ’48, Buffalo, New York

William R. Raikin ’49, Yonkers, New York

Martin F. Keil ’50, Huntington Beach, California

Henry Jarvis Turner ’50, San Jose, California

Jerald A. Wettengel ’50, Niagara Falls, New York

Michael A. Belliswych Jr. ’51, Eggertsville, New York

Prof. Robert B. Fleming Sr. ’51, Buffalo, New York

George J. Kohl ’51, West Seneca, New York

Maynard C. Schaus Jr. ’53, Davenport, Florida

Bernard Stillman ’53, Williamsville, New York

Edward Schmitt ’54, Williamsville, New York

Joseph G. Kihl ’55, Kenmore, New York

Richard E. Schnell ’55, North Tonawanda, New York

Thomas M. Dean ’56, Buffalo, New York

Edward H. Coughlin ’57, Snyder, New York

Jacob Sommerstein ’57, Williamsville, New York

Thomas H. Rosinski ’58, Hamburg, New York

Kenneth H. Hall ’59, East Aurora, New York

Hon. M. Dolores Denman ’65, Buffalo, New York

Arthur J. Freedman ’69, North Tonawanda, New York

Vincent A. Tobia ’74, Buffalo, New York

Linda Schuk Reynolds ’83, Buffalo, New York

Kenneth D. Neeves ’88, Richfield Springs, New York

Christopher J. Moriarity ’90, Buffalo, New York

Elizabeth J. Bergman ’96, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

estate, lending, bankruptcy and commercial litigation.

Virginia McElidowny ’85 was named special counsel by the Buffalo law firm Damon & Morey. She practices in the areas of health care, insurance and ERISA/employee benefits. McElidowny is an instructor at Canisius College, in Buffalo, and lives on Grand Island, N.Y.

Steven R. Sugarman ’85 is co-teaching Mediation I for the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Western Region. An attorney with Pusatier, Sherman, Abbott and Sugarman, he resides in Snyder, N.Y.

Kevin A. Szanyi ’85 is managing partner of the new Buffalo law firm Webster Szanyi, L.L.P. He concentrates his practice on complex product liability, toxic torts, railroad and other personal injury cases. Szanyi resides in Buffalo.

Fr. William Jud Weitsman ’85 heads the new Franciscan Center for Social Concern at St. Bonaventure University, Olean, N.Y. He makes his home at the university’s friary.

Michael J. Cooper ’86 has become an associate attorney at the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Fuhninger, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P. He practices in the personal injury department. Cooper resides in Tonawanda, N.Y.

Mark K. Cramer ’86 has joined the Buffalo law firm Hiscock & Barclay, L.L.P., as a partner, working in the firm’s business and financial services groups. He resides in Kenmore, N.Y.

Hon. Diane Devlin ’86 was elected a City Court judge in Buffalo. She resides in Buffalo.

Daniel H. Gutmann ’86, a former New York City prosecutor, is now a partner in the Smithtown, N.Y., firm Gutmann & Kellner, P.C. The firm has a general practice with a concentration in personal injury and criminal cases. Gutmann resides in Smithtown.
Catherine M. Monachino '86 in June 1999 received the Hon. Michael F. Dillon Law Guardian Award, recognizing her advocacy on behalf of children. She lives and practices in Elba, N.Y.

Joan Casilio Adams '87 was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. An attorney with the Buffalo law firm Offermann, Cassaro, Greco & Slisz, L.L.P., she lives in Williamsville, N.Y.

Martha M. Anderson '87 has been named a partner in the Buffalo law firm Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle, L.L.P. A member of the business and banking and lending practices department, she lives in Clarence Center, N.Y.

Margot S. Bennett '87 has joined the Amherst, N.Y., law firm Vinal & Vinal. She will focus her practice in litigation and trial work. Bennett resides in Buffalo.

David S. Brown '87 has been named a partner in the Los Angeles law firm Kirtland & Packard, L.L.P. Brown, who practices civil litigation, resides in Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Spencer G. Feldman '87 authored two chapters in *The Best in M&A: How to Help You Get the Deal Done* (Brumberg Publications). His articles on acquisitions in the Internet age also have appeared in *Profit* magazine and *Insights: The Corporate and Securities Law Advisor*. Feldman is a corporate partner in the New York City office of Greenberg, Taurig, Hoffman & Lipoff. He lives in New York City.

Brett D. Gilbert '87 heads the Law Offices of Brett D. Gilbert in New York City, where he practices in the areas of criminal defense, motion and appellate advocacy, and select civil cases in the state and federal courts. He resides in New York City.

Nancy Holtby '87 has been named of counsel in the Rochester office of the firm Nixon, Hargrave, Devans & Doyle, L.L.P. A member of the environmental group, she resides in Honeoye Falls, N.Y.

Brian C. Mahoney '87 is an attorney with the Buffalo law firm Smith Keller, Miner & O'Shea, after spending 11 years as an assistant district attorney in the Erie County district attorney's office. He resides in Buffalo.

Donna M. Siwek '87 was elected a director of the Bar Association of Erie County. Confidential law clerk to New York State Supreme Court Justice David J. Mahoney, she resides in Buffalo.

Robbie Lee Billingsley '88, of Buffalo, received a Special Service Award from the U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York, in recognition of her pro bono work. Billingsley worked with Anna Marie Richmond '84 on the Americans with Disabilities Act case of a state prisoner, who was awarded $150,000.

Sophie Feal '88 was named by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project to head its new Immigration Project, which aids people from other countries who are being detained by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service at the new federal detention facility in Batavia, N.Y. Feal lives in Clarence, N.Y.

Terrence P. Flynn '88 was named a partner in the Buffalo law firm Gibson, McAskill and Crosby. He resides in Buffalo.

Joseph T. Kremer '88 was named a partner in the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Fahlringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P. He resides in Getzville, N.Y.

Lois Jean Liberman '88 became a partner in the matrimonial department of the New York City firm Tenzer Greenblatt, L.L.P., in January 1999. She lives in Merrick, N.Y.

Lisa Strain '88 is an associate attorney with New York State Mental Hygiene Legal Service in Rochester, N.Y. She resides in Webster, N.Y.
Thomas P. Theophilos '88 has joined the law offices of Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn, in Buffalo, as a staff attorney.

Jed L. Carrol '89 is a partner in America's Choice, an international franchiser of real estate marketing services. He lives in Williamsville, N.Y.

Kevin M. Carter '89 has joined the Buffalo law firm Sullivan & Oliverio, where he will concentrate on general litigation. In June 1999 he received the Hon. Michael F. Dillon Law Guardian Award, recognizing his advocacy on behalf of children. Carter resides in Buffalo.

Douglas W. Dimitroff '89 was named a partner in the Buffalo-based law firm Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber, L.L.P., where he focuses on the areas of banking, commercial, real estate, telecommunications law, zoning and land use planning, real property taxation and leasing. He lives in Williamsville, N.Y.

Vincent E. Doyle III '89, partner in the Buffalo law firm Connors & Villaro, has been elected to chair the 1,575-member Criminal Justice Section of the New York State Bar Association. He also was recently appointed to serve on the association's Grand Jury Project. Doyle lives in Buffalo.

Gregory P. Krull '89 has joined the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Fahringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P., as an associate. He will practice in the areas of personal injury and medical malpractice. Krull resides in Buffalo.

Michael C. Marsh '89 has joined the Miami law office of Akerman Senterfitt as a shareholder in the litigation practice group. He resides in Weston, Fla.

Kelly A. Omel '89 was elected a director of the Bar Association of Erie County. Practicing in the Erie County district attorney's office, Omel resides in Snyder, N.Y.

John K. Rottaris '89, of the Buffalo law firm Gross, Shuman, Brzidle & Gilfillan, P.C., has been admitted to membership in the Commercial Law League of America, an organization of bankruptcy and commercial law professionals. He lives on Grand Island, N.Y.

Salvatore T. Sanfilippo '89 was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. A solo practitioner, he lives in Williamsville, N.Y.

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Heidi S. Geib '90 has completed a master of divinity degree at Emory University and a master of theology degree at Princeton Theological Seminary. She will pursue a doctoral degree in New Testament studies at Vanderbilt University. She lives in Antioch, Tenn.

Mary Catherine Malley '90 was named president of the New Millennium Group of Western New York, a civic improvement organization. An associate in the Buffalo firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, she lives in Buffalo.

Peter A. Perlman '90 has become a member of the New York City law firm Beldock Levine & Hofman, L.L.P. He resides in New York City.

Ginger Schroder '90, an attorney with the Buffalo office of Buchanan Ingersoll, is president of the Western New York chapter of the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York. She also was named a "40 under Forty" honoree by Business First of Buffalo. Schroder lives in Buffalo.

Susan M. Sturman '90 has become a principal in the Washington, D.C., law firm Hessel & Aluis, P.C. She practices in the field of affordable housing and finance. Sturman resides in Alexandria, Va.

Joseph R. Bergen '91 has joined the Buffalo firm William K. Mattar, P.C., as an associate focusing on personal injury cases. He resides in Buffalo.

Rodger P. Doyle Jr. '91 will serve as counsel to the Buffalo office of Hiscock & Barclay, L.L.P., concentrating in civil litigation with a specialty in personal injury and employment litigation. He lives in Buffalo.

Anthony L. Eugeni '91 is a partner in the Buffalo firm Damon & Morey, L.L.P. A resident of Niagara Falls, N.Y., he practices in the firm's corporate and business law group.

Diane Nowak Kent '91 has relocated to the Boca Raton, Fla., office of Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, L.L.P. She practices in the area of estates and trusts.

Jennifer Latham '91 was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. A solo practitioner, she lives in Buffalo.

Kathleen M. Mann '91 is a partner in the Buffalo firm Damon & Morey, L.L.P. She practices in the firm's litigation department.

Deborah J. Muhlbaier '91 recently spoke at the state convention of the New York Society of Enrolled Agents. With the Amherst, N.Y., law firm Bleustein & Muhlbaier, she resides in Buffalo.

Steven L. Rubinstein '91 is a partner in the Buffalo firm Damon & Morey, L.L.P. A resident of Williamsville, N.Y., he practices in the firm's corporate and business law group and the health care practice group.

David J. State '91, deputy corporation counsel for the City of Buffalo and a commissioned first lieutenant in the Army National Guard, recently graduated with honors from the Army Judge Advocate General Officer Basic Course. He lives in Buffalo.

Thomas Cunningham '92 has been named a partner by the Buffalo firm Kenney, Kanaley, Shelton & Liptak, L.L.P. A member of the firm's trial department, Cunningham specializes in personal injury litigation. He resides in
East Amherst, N.Y.

Christopher J. D'Angelo '92 is corporate counsel for Dynamic Enterprises in Cheektowaga, N.Y. He lives in Buffalo.

Avery M. Ellis '92 is managing director of the Washington, D.C., office of Mestel and Co., the leading national attorney recruiting firm. He resides in Bethesda, Md.

Kevin J. Miller '92 has joined the Buffalo firm Damon & Morey as an associate, practicing in the areas of estate planning and trusts. He resides in Buffalo.

Eric C. Nordby '92 is an attorney with the law firm of Hancock and Estabrook, L.L.P., in Syracuse, N.Y., where he resides.

Andrea L. Sammarco '92 has joined with her sister, Tracy D. Sammarco '95, and W. James Schwan '72 to form the Buffalo firm Schwan, Sammarco & Sammarco. She will focus her practice on labor and employment law and litigation. She lives in Lockport, N.Y.

Hon. Alicia R. Stone '92 is working as an administrative law judge with the New York City Environmental Control Board.

Suzanne K. Taylor '92 was one of nine lawyers to receive the 1999 President's Pro Bono Service Award from the New York State Bar Association, in recognition of her work with the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. She practices and resides in Buffalo.


Christopher J. Belter '93 has joined the Buffalo law firm Hurwitz & Fine, P.C., as an associate. A Buffalo resident, he concentrates his practice in commercial and personal injury litigation.

Robert Bencini '93 has joined the Buffalo law firm Falk & Siemer, L.L.P. He lives in Buffalo.

Colleen Van Gelder Collins '93 is vice president and corporate counsel for Capital Crossing Bank in Boston. She lives in Marblehead, Mass.

Stephen J. Crawford '93 works in the Cleveland, Ohio, office of Arter & Hadden, L.L.P., as an associate in the real estate practice group. He focuses his practice on real estate transactions, finance, development and commercial leasing. Crawford lives in Beachwood, Ohio.

Elizabeth J. Dobosiewicz '93 is an associate in the Buffalo law firm Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, L.L.P. She will concentrate her practice in immigration law.

Anthony L. Fumerelle '93 is an assistant district attorney in Erie County, N.Y., assigned to the Justice Courts Bureau. He resides in Buffalo.

Joseph S. Hughes '93 has established the law firm Joseph S. Hughes & Associates, in Berrien Springs, Mich., where he resides.

Roger F. Sagerman '93 is associate general counsel for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service in Washington, D.C., where he works on enforcement and national security matters. He resides in Washington.

Neil R. Sherwood '93 practices insurance defense and civil litigation with the Buffalo law firm Cohen & Lombardo, P.C. He resides in Buffalo.

David S. Teske '93 is an associate in the intellectual property transactions group of Alston & Bird, L.L.P., in Atlanta, Ga., where he also lives.

Jo Ann S. Armenia Balazs '94 teaches English — largely around law-related literature — in the Amherst, N.Y., Central School District. She recently
The Buffalo waterfront was the site of the Class of 1989's 10-year reunion. Classmates met on Saturday, July 31, 1999, for an informal get-together at The Pier Restaurant overlooking Lake Erie.

"We had a great turnout," says Kelley A. Omel of the Erie County district attorney's office. "It was fun to see so many classmates that I had lost contact with. I was surprised by the number of people who are doing something other than practicing law."

The Class of 1989 reunion committee was led by Mark Narby of E.Q. Financial, in Amherst, N.Y.

**First row, left to right:** Daniel P. Boeck, Kelley A. Omel, Gregory M. Vinal, Jeanne (Vezina) Vinal and Lauren E. Breen.


received the New York State Bar Association's Law Related Education Distinguished Service Award for an Educator. Balazs resides in East Amherst, N.Y.

Martha R. Buyer '94 has been elected to membership in the Society of Telecommunications Consultants (STC), an organization of independent consultants from throughout the United States. Buyer maintains a private practice in East Aurora, N.Y., where she resides.

Elizabeth A. Edinger '94 is a law librarian and lecturer on legal research in the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law. She is co-author of *Finding the Law*, 11th edition. Edinger resides in Berkeley, Calif.

Christine Haigt Farley '94 recently published an article on the protection of native art and artifacts in the *Connecticut Law Review*. A resident of Bethesda, Md., she teaches at the American University Law School in Washington, D.C.

Vincent M. Ferrero '94 is practicing civil litigation with the Atlanta, Ga., law firm Caldwell & Watson, L.L.P. He resides in Atlanta.

Susanah Bochenek Giancarlo '94, previously a senior associate at the Buffalo office of Hiscock & Barclay, was named first assistant county attorney by Erie County, N.Y., Executive Joel A. Ciambra. She lives in Amherst, N.Y.

David Grover '94 and David Fensterstock '94 have joined to form Grover & Fensterstock, P.C., with offices on Madison Avenue in New York City. The firm specializes in litigation, commercial claims, collections, personal injury and real estate.

Alexander Korotkin '94, a lawyer with the Rochester, N.Y., law firm Chamberlain, D'Amanda, Oppenheimer & Greenfield, recently acted as an interpreter for a visiting Russian justice. Korotkin resides in Buffalo.

Sharon L. Nosenchuck '94 was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. Associated with the Buffalo law firm Birzon & Davis, she lives in Amherst, N.Y.

Ronald R. Olson '94 was honored for pro bono work by the Bar Association of Erie County's Volunteer Lawyers Project. He lives in East Aurora, N.Y.

Alan P. Schaef er '94 joined with Peter F. Brady '79 to form Brady & Schaef er, L.L.P., in Amherst, N.Y. Their practice will concentrate on personal injury litigation. Schaef er lives in Williamsville, N.Y.


David O. Teach '94 has joined the Buffalo law firm Brown & Kelly, L.L.P., practicing in the areas of insurance coverage and defense litigation. He lives in Buffalo.

Joy C. Trotter '94, assistant corporation counsel for the City of Buffalo, was installed on Sept. 16, 1999, as president of the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York. Trotter resides in Buffalo.

James F. Armstrong '95 has joined the newly opened Buffalo office of the Rochester, N.Y.-based firm Underberg & Kessler, L.L.P. He will practice in the areas of general civil litigation, drugs and medical evidence, product liability, toxic torts and general insurance defense. Armstrong lives in Hamburg, N.Y.

Gretchen P. Aylward '95 is an associate with the Buffalo-based law firm Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber, L.L.P. She is a member of the firm's corporate department, where she practices immigration law with a focus on U.S. health care professionals and NAFTA-based business immigration. Aylward lives in Buffalo, and is a member of the UB Law Alumni Association's GOLD Group board of directors.
Catherine M. Brennan '95 joined the Women's Law Center of Maryland, in Towson, Md., as a staff attorney in the Bruce A. Kaufman Center for Family Law. She resides in Baltimore, Md.

Christian C. Casini '95 is a partner in the Rochester, N.Y., law firm Osborn, Reed & Burke, L.L.P. He recently accepted a pro bono assignment to represent an Attica Correctional Facility inmate who had been struck by a guard in retaliation for threatening to file a complaint, and his client was awarded damages. Casini resides in Rochester.

Joseph E. "Jed" Dietrich III '95 has joined the Buffalo law firm Cellino & Barnes as a partner, concentrating in personal injury law. He is a Williamsville, N.Y., resident.

Maureen B. Elwell '95 has joined the Buffalo office of Harris, Beach & Wilcox, L.L.P., as an associate in the business transactions and telecommunications and media practice groups. She will focus her practice on securities and telecommunications law. Elwell lives in East Amherst, N.Y.

Gina M. Guzman '95 has joined the Buffalo law firm Rosenthal, Siegel, Muenkel & Maloney, L.L.P., as an associate. She resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

Jay Kalasnik '95 practices family and municipal law, as well as criminal defense, with the Hanover, Pa., firm Menges, Gent & McLaughlin, L.L.P. He lives in Hanover.

Joe Khanna '95 lives in New Rochelle, N.Y., and recently accepted an in-house position in the corporate legal group of Pitney Bowes Inc., in Stamford, Conn.

John Linneball '95 has become a partner in the San Francisco, Calif., law firm Ross & Linneball, L.L.P. He resides in San Francisco.

Wendy A. Marsh '95 has joined the Syracuse, N.Y., law firm Hancock & Estabrook, L.L.P. She will concentrate her practice in environmental law. Marsh makes her home in Geneva, N.Y.
John J. Riccardi '95, of Cheektowaga, N.Y., has joined Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn as an associate in the personal injury department.

Tracy D. Sammarco '95 has joined with her sister, Andrea L. Sammarco '92, and W. James Schwan '72 to form the Buffalo firm Schwan, Sammarco & Sammarco. She lives in Lockport, N.Y.

Jennifer Schantz '95 works as a litigation associate at the New York City firm Schulte, Roth & Zabel, L.L.P. In May 1999 she was featured, along with her pro bono client, a Chinese dissident and poet, in a documentary film, Well Founded Fear, describing the struggle of immigrants to obtain political asylum in the United States. The film was recently featured on public television. Schantz lives in New York City.

Terence W. Waldorf '95, recently retired from professional soccer's Houston Hotshots, has joined Diamond Offshore Drilling Inc. in Houston, Texas, as in-house counsel. He and his wife, Russelle, have two sons, Gavin and Colin. They make their home in Sugar Land, Texas.

Mimi Meng Wright '95 is assistant director of residential life for the University at Buffalo. She resides in Buffalo.

Teresa C. Brophy Bair '96 has become associated with the Hamburg, N.Y., law office of Harris, Beach & Wilcox, L.L.P., in the insurance litigation and product liability defense group, and in the business and commercial litigation practice group. Bair is a director of the UB Law Alumni Association's GOLD Group. She lives in Buffalo.

Bridget Cawley Bidonde '96 has joined the Buffalo law firm Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, L.L.P., in the real estate practice group. She lives in East Amherst, N.Y.

Capt. Jane E. Boomer '96 is a judge advocate for the U.S. Air Force.

Recently assigned to South Korea, she practices labor law and military justice.

Shawn W. Carey '96 has joined the Buffalo law firm Collins, Collins & Maxwell, P.C., as an associate. He focuses his practice on representing injured railroad and construction workers. Carey lives in Buffalo.

Pauline C. Costanzo-Will '96 has been assigned by the Erie County district attorney to the Buffalo City Court Bureau. She resides in Buffalo.

Gina M. Scioli Fulater '96 has joined the Buffalo law firm Notaro & Laing, L.L.P., as an associate focusing on medical malpractice cases, as well as personal injury, insurance defense and defense of physicians and nurses. She lives in West Seneca, N.Y.

Kevin C. Glue '96 has become an associate at the Buffalo-based law firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, L.L.P., where he concentrates his practice in estates and trusts law. He resides in Depew, N.Y.

Nina F. Juncewicz '96 has joined the litigation department of the Buffalo office of Hiscock & Barclay, L.L.P. She makes her home in Buffalo.

Thomas M. Mercure '96 has been named a partner by the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Faltringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P. He practices personal injury law. Mercure resides in Buffalo.

David Rodriguez '96 is an associate with the Buffalo law firm Siegel, Kelleher & Kahn. Rodriguez lives in Buffalo.

Jason A. Yots '96 was elected treasurer of the New Millennium Group of Western New York, a civic improvement organization. An associate in the Buffalo-based law firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, L.L.P., he lives in Buffalo.
Kevin J. Zanner '96 has joined the Buffalo law firm Hurwitz & Fine, P.C., as an associate, concentrating his practice in business and corporate law. He resides in Buffalo.

Rosanna Berardi '97 has joined the immigration practice group of the Buffalo-based law firm Hodgson, Russ, Andrews, Woods & Goodyear, L.L.P. She lives in Lancaster, N.Y.

John R. Gibbon Jr. '97 has become an associate with the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Falhringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P. A resident of Newfane, N.Y., he practices in the personal injury department.

Thomas S. Lane '97 has joined the new Buffalo law firm Webster Szanyi, L.L.P., practicing in civil litigation including product liability, municipal law and personal injury. Lane resides in Buffalo.

David J. Luzon '97 has joined the Buffalo firm Falk & Siemer, L.L.P. He lives in Buffalo.

Scott M. Philbin '97 is an associate in the insurance litigation and product liability defense practice group at Harris, Beach & Wilcox, L.L.P., in Buffalo, focusing on insurance defense, civil litigation and personal injury law. Philbin lives in Getzville, N.Y.

Charles F. Pitarresi '97 has become an associate in the toxic torts department of the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Falhringer, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P. He lives in Niagara Falls, N.Y.

Karen E. Richardson '97 joined the trial department of the Buffalo-based law firm Phillips, Lytle, Hitchcock, Blaine & Huber, L.L.P. Richardson resides in Hamburg, N.Y.

Jennifer L. Sargent '97 has joined the Buffalo law firm Alessi & Neill, which concentrates in municipal bond counsel.

Robert A. Scalone '97 was appointed by Erie County District Attorney Frank Clark as an assistant district attorney, assigned to the Buffalo City Court Bureau. He resides in Tonawanda, N.Y.

Elizabeth R. Wright '97 practices in the area of special education/disability discrimination law as an associate with the Buffalo law firm Bouvier, O'Connor. In March 1999, she was appointed to the board of directors of the Parent Network Center. Wright resides in Amherst, N.Y.

Gary A. Abraham '98 is a fellow with the Natural Resources Law Institute in Portland, Ore. He makes his home in Lake Oswego, Ore.

Erin M. Barclay '98 is director of the Network of East-West Women, in Washington, D.C., where she also resides.

Kristin M. Baudo '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Bouvier, O'Connor as an associate, concentrating her practice in the areas of municipal law, education law and labor law. She lives in Buffalo.

Steve Boyd '98, a former local television reporter, has joined the Amherst, N.Y., law firm Ballow, Braisted, O'Brien and Rusin as a personal injury attorney. He lives in Buffalo.

Scott A. Bylewski '98 has joined the Amherst, N.Y., law firm Nesper, Ferber & DiGiacomo, L.L.P. He is a resident of East Amherst, N.Y.

Betty Calvo '98 is an assistant district attorney in Erie County, N.Y., assigned to the Buffalo City Court Bureau. She resides in Buffalo.

Min Chan '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Jaeckle, Fleischmann & Mugel, L.L.P., as a member of the business and corporate law practice group. She resides in Buffalo.

Wei David Chen '98 has joined Connors & Connors, P.C., on Staten Island, N.Y., as an associate. A resident of Staten Island, he concentrates his practice on defense litigation.
Stepping down

Retirement time for four Western New York jurists who are UB Law alumni

Western New York’s courts are a good deal poorer this spring, as several important judges who are UB Law School graduates step down from the bench to enter retirement. The timing is a coincidence, but it affords the chance to look back on the judicial careers of some of the Law School’s most distinguished alumni.

Ann T. Mikoll ’54 ends a 42-year career on the bench as senior associate justice of the New York State Supreme Court Appellate Division’s 3rd Department, making her one of the highest-ranking women in a state leadership role. Indeed, her career has been one of “firsts.” She was the youngest person ever to serve as a Buffalo City Court judge, at age 28; she spent 14 years as a City Court judge. And she was the first woman in the state outside of New York City to be elected to the State Supreme Court, in 1971. She was named to the Appellate Division by then-Gov. Hugh L. Carey in 1977.

Many of her written opinions were dissents — and effective ones. Six times the Court of Appeals reversed Appellate Division rulings based on Mikoll’s dissenting opinions.

The Defender Magazine said of her: “As an outspoken advocate of women’s rights, she is an energetic and articulate carrier of the torch. Her dissents on behalf of the state’s poorer citizens speak for themselves and make her, in the minds of many public defense attorneys, truly one of New York’s treasures.”

Known as an outspoken advocate for women’s rights and poor people, Mikoll’s extra-legal activities included serving as honorary state chairwoman of the successful drive to promote passage of the Equal Rights Amendment in New York. She also served on the state Commission on Judicial Conduct, which oversees the behavior of all New York State judges and invokes discipline when necessary.

She and her late husband, Theodore, also were active in Buffalo’s famed Chopin Singing Society and spearheaded the local revival of the Polish celebration known as Dyngus Day.

Speaking at an Oct. 22, 1999, luncheon as part of the Law School’s “100 Years of Women in UB Law” conference, Mikoll looked back with satisfaction. “If it were not for people like Judge Wiener and Miss Rodgers, I could not have had the wonderful career that I have enjoyed for 42 years. I am grateful to the Law School for the underpinning it gave me to be able to meet the challenges of a very taxing profession. It is a joy to be happy and to be fulfilled in one’s work. To find a perfect niche in life — this was my good fortune in my
career.”

John Callahan ’54 retires as the longest-serving judge in the State Supreme Court’s Appellate Division, 4th Department. He spent 21 years on the bench.

Known as a “lawyer’s judge” for his sensitivity to the situation of those who argued before him, Callahan had a favorite expression: “I know what it’s like to labor in the vineyards.” He spent 20 years as a trial attorney in Buffalo before assuming his judgeship. He also served as a motor machinist mate on a submarine during World War II, and carried that service into his work as a founding member of the Buffalo and Erie County Naval and Military Park.

Callahan estimates he sat on 20,000 cases during his years in the Appellate Division, to which he was appointed in 1979 by Gov. Carey after four years as a State Supreme Court justice. “We have every type of conceivable case that can come through the pipe, so it’s never boring or routine,” he told one questioner.

Callahan is also known for a fierce pride in his family. He and his wife, Lillian, have eight children; two have become lawyers. And he expresses tough resolve in having defeated both colon and kidney cancer.

Last year, he received the St. Thomas More Award from the St. Thomas More Guild, an organization of Catholic lawyers.

After five years as an assistant attorney general for the State of New York, Rose LaMendola ’55 was appointed an Erie County Court judge in 1974, the first woman in the state to be elected as a county court judge. She spent more than two decades in that position. Now she is retiring as a New York State Supreme Court justice, a position to which she was appointed by Gov. George E. Pataki in 1995.

It was the culmination of a 44-year legal career for the lifelong Western New York resident. Those years included private practice from 1955 to 1969, including time in the first all-female law practice in Western New York.

After earning a science degree from UB, LaMendola taught elementary school for a year. But she knew her heart lay elsewhere. She was one of only four women in her Law School class, and recalls of her first days there, “I knew I’d found my place. I just felt, ‘This is where I belong.’”

But she has always kept her focus on the quality of the work, not the gender of the practitioner. “I found that if you showed you knew what you were doing, you were accepted” in the court system, she said.

Recognized as a hard-working and even-handed jurist, she always commanded respect in her courtroom, legal observers said.

At the Oct. 22, 1999, luncheon, LaMendola gave a fitting epigraph. “The millennium and I,” she quipped, “are going out together.”

A Buffalo City Court judge for 16 years, Margaret Anderson ’72 at first set out to be a public defender. But a word of advice from then-City Court Judge M. Dolores Denman steered her to become an assistant district attorney in 1973. She became assistant corporation counsel to the city in 1977, served briefly as deputy chief clerk of Surrogate’s Court, and was elected to the City Court in 1982.

“One of the things I have tried to do in my judicial career especially,” she told a questioner, “is to see the humanity of every person, and to never forget that each and every person — whether it’s the defendant in a criminal case or a witness — is a creature of God. Everyone deserves respect, and everyone has dignity.”

Anderson was a pioneer in addressing issues of domestic violence, establishing a Domestic Violence Part in Buffalo City Court that is only the third such part in the state. Since its inception on March 29, 1999, the court has handled more than 1,400 cases involving domestic abuse, and achieved a recidivism rate of less than 7 percent.
Anita A. Czapecka '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Jasen & Jasen, P.C., as an associate. She resides in Corfu, N.Y.

Brian D. Gwitt '98 has joined the Buffalo firm Damon & Morey, LLP. He will focus his practice on business litigation, bankruptcy litigation and construction matters in the firm's business litigation and insolvency department. Gwitt lives in Buffalo.

Jane Michalek Harrington '98 was appointed by Erie County District Attorney Frank Clark as an assistant district attorney, assigned to the justice courts bureau. She lives in Buffalo.

Shannon M. Heneghan '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Fahlinger, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P., as an associate. She will practice in the criminal department. Heneghan resides in West Seneca, N.Y.

Petrina J. Keddel '98 is in-house counsel practicing commercial leasing law with Konover Property Trust, a real estate investment trust company in Cary, N.C. She and her 1-year-old son, Spencer Mackenzie, reside in Apex, N.C.

David S. Kelly '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Damon & Morey, L.L.P. He will focus his practice on business litigation, bankruptcy litigation and construction matters in the firm's business litigation and insolvency department. Kelly lives in Kenmore, N.Y.

Michelle Maniccia '98 works as an associate with the New York City law firm Well, Gotshal Manges, L.L.P. A member of the firm's corporate department, she concentrates her practice in the areas of structured finance and derivatives. Maniccia resides in New York City.

Carol Messito '98 has joined the Washington, D.C., firm Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering. She resides in Washington, D.C.

Cecily Guzetta Molak '98 is the executive director of Community Legal Intake and Referral Project Inc., in Rochester, N.Y. She resides in Homoye Falls, N.Y.

Eric C. Naegly '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Damon & Morey, L.L.P., in the litigation department. He will focus his practice on insurance coverage work as well as civil appeals to New York State's appellate court. Naegly lives in West Seneca, N.Y.

Bridget M. O'Connell '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Watson, Bennett, Colligan, Johnson & Schechter, L.L.P. She will practice in the matrimonial and family law departments. O'Connell resides in Williamsville, N.Y.

Donald G. Powell '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Watson, Bennett, Colligan, Johnson & Schechter, L.L.P. He will practice in the areas of construction law and litigation, real estate and insurance defense. Powell lives in Clarence, N.Y.

Brian C. Remy '98 practices biotech and chemical patent prosecution and litigation with the New York City firm Pennie & Edmonds, L.L.P. He resides in Glen Head, N.Y.

James W. Ringle '98 has joined the corporate department of the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz Green, Fahlinger, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P., where he practices in the areas of business transactions and estate planning. Ringle lives in Buffalo.

Scott Riordan '98 was appointed by Erie County District Attorney Frank Clark as an assistant district attorney, assigned to the Buffalo City Court Bureau. He lives in Tonawanda, N.Y.

Kimberly J. Schwingen '98 is an associate with Kavinoky & Cook, LLP, in Buffalo, where she practices in the area of corporate law. Schwingen resides in Amherst, N.Y.

Stephen A. Sharkey '98 has become an associate with the law firm Harris, Beach & Wilcox, LLP., in Hamburg, N.Y. Sharkey is a member of the firm's business and commercial litigation group, and the insurance litigation and product liability defense practice group. He resides in Buffalo.

Tricia A. Vacanti '98 has joined the Buffalo law firm Lipsitz, Green, Fahlinger, Roll, Salisbury & Cambria, L.L.P., as an associate practicing in the personal injury department. She resides in Buffalo.

Michael C. Veruto '98 has been appointed deputy chief clerk of Niagara County Surrogate's Court. He resides in East Amherst, N.Y.

Ross S. Howarth '99 has joined the Rochester, N.Y., law firm Harter, Secrest & Emery, LLP. He resides in Brighton, N.Y.

Christopher L. Jacobs '99 was named deputy commissioner of planning and economic development in Erie County's Environment and Planning Department. The department's current projects and programs include a new convention center, waterfront development and reuse of brownfields. He lives in Buffalo.