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# Annual Giving



## A winning case for commitment

**O**ur new courtroom — evidence of greatness: UB Law is one of just a few schools in the country to house a fully functioning courtroom. Our students watch outstanding judges and attorneys in action in O'Brian Hall — a valuable opportunity to see law practiced first hand. This state-of-the-art courtroom accommodates appellate arguments as well as a wide variety of trials, and offers an incomparable practice environment for trial technique and moot court competitions. Alumni giving made this project possible.

### Top-notch student body:

This year, UB Law accepted only 38 percent of applicants. The school continues to educate an unusually diverse, talented and well-qualified student body. Alumni gifts fund our high priority of helping these students fulfill their dreams of obtaining a quality legal education. A significant portion of the Annual Fund is distributed to deserving students through scholarships and loans.

### Nationally renowned clinics:

UB Law's six clinics are models for practical learning and provide an array of sophisticated legal services to nonprofit organizations and to the poor and needy. Alumni support helps the community while providing valuable experience to student participants.

### A reputation for excellence:

UB Law is on the rise, and you play a leading role in our success. Participation in the Annual Fund makes a dramatic difference when national publications rank UB against other schools. Alumni gifts are

used to enhance program areas most pertinent to ranking formulas.

### Distinguished alumni:

UB Law alumni are leading practitioners in nearly every area of the law across the country and around the world. It is our pleasure to provide alumni a variety of benefits, which include class reunions and other special events, as well as volunteer, mentoring and teaching opportunities. Alumni also receive free career counseling, résumé service, job postings, and access to our library services.

### Cutting-edge curriculum:

UB Law's curriculum is one of the nation's most effective because of its smaller class sizes, myriad of course offerings and specialized concentrations. The Law School's 11 academic concentrations, which include such specialties as Finance Transactions and Intellectual Property Law, were recently featured in the *National Jurist* magazine. The Annual Fund provides the resources necessary for the academic program to continually improve.

### Leading the way

The UB Law School is a premier public institution assisted by the State of New York; however, state support now amounts to just 32 percent of the school's annual budget. Tuition and student fees, interest on endowment, and grants make up another 55 percent.

That leaves 13 percent of the Law School's annual budget in the hands of our generous alumni. Without that 13 percent — clearly a monumental component — it would be impossible for the Law School to provide the student support, educational program and infrastructure that keep the school a leader in legal education.

### UB Law School Annual Giving Societies

**Edwin & Erma Jaeckle Society**  
\$5,000 + (or \$2,500+ for GOLD\* alumni/ae)

**John Lord O'Brian Society**  
\$2,500-\$4,999 (or \$1,250-\$2,499 for GOLD\* alumni/ae)

**Jacob D. Hyman Society**  
\$1,000-\$2,499 (or \$500-\$1,249 for GOLD\* alumni/ae)

**Dean's Club**  
\$500-\$999 (or \$250-\$499 for GOLD\* alumni/ae)

*\*GOLD alumni/ae are graduates of the last decade (1995 to 2004).*

### Three ways to give

#### Make a check payable to UB Foundation — Law School and mail to:

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