HCLN WELCOME

As the season dictates, I wish you all a happy new year and hope that everyone has a prosperous 2014 in their personal and professional lives. We are proud to announce that, once again, we have an active slate of programs coming to various cities in the coming months, in Philadelphia on March 11, Washington, D.C. on March 13, and New York City on April 22.

Throughout the years our events have grown and diversified. As past attendees can attest, our focus on the larger events has been to invite distinguished guest speakers to chat about their experiences in the law and the impact Haverford has had on their careers. We’re looking forward to maintaining that tradition in the new year, with several Haverford alums lined up to keynote our 2014 receptions.

The *New York Times* recently published an article on three alumni from Amherst College who played baseball for the Lord Jeffs and then went on to become general managers in Major League Baseball after cultivating their ties to their alma mater. While Greg Kannerstein’s disciples have also made a significant impact on the game, the larger point is that liberal arts colleges create opportunities for alumni to gain professional insights from their classmates in various fields that can be quite beneficial. We’ve received tremendous feedback from attendees of our events about relationships that have been generated, or rekindled, as a result of HCLN, and we hope this organization continues to help Haverford alumni foster these types of interactions.

With that in mind, we are excited to continue to highlight our great alumni through this newsletter. With healthcare in the news, we are building upon our earlier spotlight of Aaron Rabinowitz ’03 (who is now vice-president and general counsel for the University of Maryland, Upper Chesapeake Health System). This issue details the distinguished career of Peter M. Leibold ’85, who is the CEO and executive vice-president of the American Health Lawyers Association. Peter’s multifaceted career has demonstrated the value of a liberal arts education and the ability to pursue a career that positively impacts society as a whole without compromising one’s core values. Valerie Borek ’02 kindly volunteered her time and effort to share Peter’s story.

Please use the new year to reach out and either renew relationships or create new ones. As we all have seen, Haverfordians can make an impact on our communities by helping one another.
FOR THE RECORD

Peter M. Leibold ’85
by Valerie Borek ’02

Peter M. Leibold ’85 is the chief executive officer and executive vice president of the American Health Lawyers Association (AHLA). After majoring in history and graduating from Yale Law School, he began his career in 1988 clerking for Judge Wilfred Feinberg of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He worked for Senator John C. Danforth of Missouri from 1989 to 1994 as counsel, legislative director, and chief of staff, and then again in 2004 as Washington Deputy to Ambassador Danforth, who was named U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations. He worked at the law firm of Bryan Cave from 1995 to 1996, and as General Counsel to the Catholic Health Association from 1996 to 1999. He is married with three children and enjoys soccer, travel, and music.

What aspect of your job gets you excited for your day?

It’s the human interaction. I look forward to the interaction with members and staff. My staff and I help to build a health law community, and I get to interact with the members who benefit from that community. I like dealing with my board chairs, with members of the board, and with staff members. I think what excites me most about getting up each day and doing the job is seeing how the work of the association benefits the members and being able to talk productively with members and colleagues about it.

What is the greatest challenge you face on a day-to-day basis?

It relates to my first answer. As the CEO I am both on the board and a member of the staff. We have a very good, active, and involved board. Board members that spend so much time volunteering to govern an organization have a lot of ideas on how to improve it, and we have staff members who work every day to make the association better. My greatest challenge is balancing the energy and ideas of the board with the practicality of the staff in implementing ideas and trying not to load them up with ideas that take them away from their main jobs of serving the members in different capacities. It is probably the biggest challenge of any CEO at any organization. It’s definitely my biggest challenge because we have great board members who have a lot of strong ideas about how to make the organization better, and these ideas must be blended with the practical wisdom and know-how of the staff who run the organization day-to-day.

Can you tell me about being in Nairobi in 2004 with Ambassador Danforth at the meeting of the U.N. Security Council that was aimed at negotiating peace in the Sudan?

It was a great experience. Again, it goes back to personal relationships. Senator Jack Danforth is the reason I did it. It came out of the blue for me. I had never
worked for the State Department. I didn't major at Haverford in foreign policy. I have spent my time studying health policy and civil rights law. I worked with Senator Danforth from ’89 to ’94 and have an enormous amount of respect for him. He is the reason I left this job and went to work at the State Department. That was a pretty significant change for me, but he was working on a very important mission, and its importance still plays out today in trying to bring peace in the Sudan and all over Africa. The violence today in the Central African Republic is heartbreaking and reminds everyone of the importance of seeking peace.

What experience you had at Haverford has resonated with you most in your career path?

When people ask me what might have been the most important class I took at any level of my education, I mention a Haverford class. It was “Religion in the Third Reich.” Ron Thiemann taught the class, and sadly he is now deceased. People came to each class incredibly prepared, and they were talking about issues they really cared about. We had a diverse group of religions represented in class, and certainly all of the Christian religions have a lot to be ashamed of during that period of time, and they were well represented in the class. So people wanted to come in and learn about it intensely. Ron Thiemann ran a great class, and there was a lot of dialogue.

What it prepared me for later in life is that, when people care about issues, they come prepared, they aggressively debate, they engage, and they create a very vibrant environment. When I got to the Hill, when I was at the State Department, and here at AHLA, I encountered the same kind of passionate engagement, and Thiemann’s class prepared me well. The class dialogue reminds me of the Hill. While the failures that occurred in the 1930s were so difficult and so heinous that there is probably no set of issues that really correlates to it, the discussion in that class at least prepared me for discussions that would occur later in my life, in which people with different perspectives were very engaged and felt strongly about the issues they were talking about.

Just the other day someone asked me about the value of a liberal arts education. This is a great illustration. Absolutely. I believe strongly in a liberal arts education. When you break down everything that we did in that class, it prepares you for so many jobs in life. You had to read the text, learn it, become part of it, and engage it; you had to analyze it in reference to your own traditions and to other traditions, and then discuss weighty subjects with other people who were just as prepared. I can't think of better training—not for just the law, but for all the issues you engage when you try to achieve the mission of any kind of organization.

How has the Honor Code affected experiences in your professional life?

One of the most important aspects of the Honor Code is that it is supposed to guide your behavior at all times in your life. And importantly, the Honor Code applies when no one else is looking. That's what always stuck with me, at Haverford and beyond. For example: I'm sitting in my room, I've got a take-home exam, this code regulates me right now. No one can see what I'm doing. I could easily open the book; I could easily violate the rules of this exam and no one would know. To me, that is what Haverford's Honor Code passes on to you for the rest of your life.
When you're in high school there are a lot of rules but there's an outside entity that's enforcing them. It's like speeding in your car: “If I don't get caught, there's not a problem.” Our cultural norm is that there's nothing wrong with speeding. Just don't get caught. You're not considered a bad person if you speed. At Haverford, for the first time with the Honor Code, you realized that the code should be guiding your behavior even when you won't get caught. I think that's the most significant impact it's had in my career and probably the careers of most Haverfordians. We are probably a little more aware of the normative judgment on actions committed when no one else is looking. That is the value of the Honor Code as it exists throughout your life—that hopefully all of us Haverfordians are a little more aware that the real test of you, the harder part, is to abide when no one is looking. Not when everyone is looking. My hope is that Haverfordians in the privacy of their own realms are more attuned to their own values and stick by them.

What is the best way to be open to recognizing and to acting upon professional opportunities?

My advice is to dig deeply within yourself. Think about what organization best represents what you're about. Then even if there's no job available, just go to that organization, meet with someone there, and communicate to them, “Hey, I like what you do. I think you stand for something that really resonates with me and whenever you think you might have a need, please do not hesitate to call on me.” I have found that always works. People like to be told that the organization they work for is important. In my experience, they will keep you in mind. It might not happen for three years, or five years, or it might happen tomorrow. They like the proactivity. That's how I got my job at the Catholic Health Association. I worked with them when I was on the Hill. I scheduled a lunch. I knew they weren't looking for anyone, but I just said, “When you have a chance, I'd love to work for an organization like yours.” So if you like a place and the people who work there, and think that they do important work, then don't wait for the job opening to appear in some publication. Simply visit with them and let them know of your interest.

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SAVE THE DATE

HCLN in Philadelphia
Tuesday, March 11

HCLN Happy Hour in Washington, D.C.
Thursday, March 13

HCLN in New York City
Tuesday, April 22

More information to follow

Delaware Regional Meeting Features Astronomy Professor Beth Willman

by Sarah Andrade Galetta ’12

On January 10, 2014, the Haverford Lawyers of Delaware met for the fourth consecutive year over lunch. In 2010, Chuck Durante ’73 started what he referred to as “the Isaac Sharpless Inn of Court.” The goal was to bring together
alumni practitioners who are graduates, parents, or spouses of Haverford alumni students or graduates. The first meeting was in 2011, with Haverford Professor Barak Mendelsohn as the first speaker. Larry Hamermesh ’73 and Neal Grabell ’77 spoke at the 2012 and 2013 meetings, respectively. Mark Chehi ’78 graciously hosted the group this year at the Wilmington office of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP. This year alumni enrolled in law school, three current students, and even two Bryn Mawr alumni joined the group.

Chuck gave some opening remarks and introduced the guest speaker, Beth Willman, who is a professor in Haverford’s astronomy department. Within the last decade Willman and other researchers have discovered invisible galaxies. These have comparatively few stars and yet have become an enormously important laboratory for studies by physicists and astronomers. Willman is one of the only people to have a galaxy named in their honor: the dwarf galaxy Willman 1. She discussed her various trips with her students to Arizona and Washington, D.C., and made clear how much interest she takes in her students and the passion she has for the subject. She also discussed a fascinating new class that she has planned for next semester called “The Persistent Lack of Diversity in the Sciences.”

The gathering was a useful opportunity for the continuously growing contingent of Haverford’s Delaware lawyers to renew dormant friendships and create new ones, as well as to hear from one of Haverford’s exciting young scholars. We look forward to our next yearly meeting in 2015 to continue the tradition and maintain our Haverford connections.

About the Author: Sarah Andrade Galetta ’12 is in her second year at Temple University Beasley School of Law.

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Irv Ackelsberg ’72 was the guest speaker at the annual meeting for the Philadelphia chapter of the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) on October 15. A prominent public interest lawyer and community leader, Irv practices at Langer, Grogan & Diver PC in Philadelphia.

Priya Amar ’07 graduated from Boston College Law School in 2013. Priya was a senior editor for the Boston College Law Review. She is currently an associate at Edwards Wildman Palmer LLP in Boston.

Anthony Amsterdam ’57 has been featured in a flurry of media outlets in connection with A Wild Justice, a new book written by Evan Mandery. The book discusses the central role Anthony played in several high-profile death penalty cases heard by the U.S. Supreme Court in the 1970s, as well as his pioneering and relentless efforts to have capital punishment ruled unconstitutional. Slate’s Emily Bazelon reviewed A Wild Justice and discussed Anthony’s works in a recent column.

Brent Anderson ’09 has joined Burns White in Philadelphia, where he defends clients in Pennsylvania and New Jersey against workers’ compensation claims. Brent received a JD/MBA from Rutgers University in 2013.
Joshua Andrix ‘00 is an associate at Park & Jensen LLP in New York City. A 2007 graduate of Cardozo School of Law, Joshua previously worked as an associate at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP and clerked for the Hon. Gabriel W. Gorenstein of the federal District Court for the Southern District of New York.

Lester Aponte ‘86 is senior counsel for Young, Zinn & Bate LLP in Los Angeles, where he represents private sector employers in labor and employment actions.

Samantha Arens ‘05 has joined the California Energy Commission in Sacramento. A 2012 graduate of the University of California—Davis School of Law, Samantha previously worked as an attorney at Churchwell White LLP and Legal Services of Northern California.

Vanessa Badillo Abasolo ‘05, a 2008 graduate of the University of Puerto Rico School of Law, is currently clerking for the Hon. Edward A. Godoy of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Puerto Rico.

Bennett J. Berson ‘81, a partner at Quarles & Brady LLP in Madison, Wisc., again has been selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America for 2014. Bennett practices in the litigation, patent, and trademark groups at Quarles & Brady.

Benjamin Bigger ’03, a 2009 graduate of The College of William and Mary—Marshall Wythe Law School, is an attorney at Larsson & Scheuritzel in Philadelphia.

N. Elias Blood-Patterson ’11 is in his third year at New York University Law School.

Max Bockol ‘64
1942–2013

It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the unfortunate passing of Max Bockol. Max founded Serendipity Day Camp while a student at Haverford in 1963. After Villanova School of Law, he served as an assistant district attorney under Arlen Specter. Since 1986, Max had practiced as a solo practitioner in Montgomery County, Pa. Just last year, he received the Gaudenzia Foundation’s Humanitarian Award for his work with the non-profit dedicated to treatment of drug and related dependencies. To commemorate Max’s life, his son Eli wrote an article for the Philadelphia Bar Reporter, where Max had volunteered for many years as a special contributing author.

Ron Christie ‘91 was recently featured on MSNBC, discussing the Affordable Care Act with host Melissa Harris-Perry.


Christina DeIasi ’98 is a legal analyst at Bloomberg, where she manages a team of securities, derivatives, banking, and regulatory attorneys creating written content for bloomberglaw.com, Bloomberg BNA, and Bloomberg terminal. Previously, Christina was an associate at Wilkie Farr & Gallagher LLP.
Angus Dowton ’10 has started his first year at Drexel University Earle Mack School of Law.

John Elefterakis ’06 was featured in numerous media outlets in connection with his representation of Rob Brown, an actor who was arrested at Macy’s in New York City. John is an attorney at Elefterakis, Elefterakis & Panek LLP, along with Ray Panek ’08.

Michael Fischette ’04 has joined Bentley Systems, Inc., in Exton, Pa. Previously, he worked as an associate at Dechert LLP in Philadelphia.

Rebecca Garibotto ’09 has joined the firm of Greenberg Traurig LLP in the Florham Park, N.J. office. Becky previously clerked for the Hon. Marianne Espinosa (parent of Meredith Murphy ’03), of the Appellate Division of the New Jersey Superior Court.

Peter Goldberger ’71 was featured in several news outlets regarding his representation of Former Pa. State Sen. Vince Fumo of South Philadelphia. Peter was quoted in the Philadelphia Daily News in connection with his recent appeal of the Fumo matter to the U.S. Supreme Court.

John Gullace ’87 is a partner at Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP in Philadelphia. John handles environmental litigation and ADR matters for clients ranging from Fortune 500 companies to smaller closely held businesses and individuals. He is also a board member of the Lower Merion Conservancy.

Paul Haagen ’72, professor of law at Duke Law School, was quoted in the New York Times in connection with the landmark litigation that has surrounded concussions in football. Paul is senior associate dean for academic affairs at Duke Law School and is also co-director of the Center for Sports Law and Policy.

Matthew Hansen ’89 recently joined Peak Consultancy WLL in Bahrain. Matt previously worked at The Family Office Co. as chief legal counsel, also in Bahrain.

Joseph H. Harris ’04, partner at White Harris PLLC in New York City, was named a 2013 “Rising Star” in labor and employment law by Super Lawyers. A graduate of the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, Joe previously practiced employment litigation at Moses & Singer LLP. He also served as a guest lecturer for the Strategic Steps for Growth program at New York University’s Leonard N. Stern School of Business, Berkley Center for Entrepreneurship & Innovation.

Thomas O. Hiscott ’92 is a partner at Hecksher Teillon Terrill & Sager, PC in West Conshohocken, Pa. Tom’s practice focuses on estate planning and administration, with a particular emphasis on the tax aspects of these areas. Tom has been named a “Super Lawyer” in 2011, 2012, and 2013. He is listed in Best Lawyers in America and Philadelphia’s Best Lawyers.

Rosalyn (Rose) Mendenhall Kautz ’10 is a member of the Class of 2015 at UCLA Law School.

Erica Kyzmir ’04 is currently a staff attorney on the Consumer Protection Project with the New York Legal Assistance Group. Erica graduated from Brooklyn Law School in 2011.

Tamara Lave ’90, a professor of law at the University of Miami, was quoted by the Associated Press in connection with the legal and employment struggles surrounding the Miami Dolphins.
Harrison Lee ’04 has joined Comcast Cable as director of employee relations. Harrison, a 2007 graduate of Villanova University Law School, was previously an associate at Blank Rome LLP in Philadelphia.

Murray S. Levin ’64, a partner at Pepper Hamilton LLP in Philadelphia, spoke at the Union Internationale des Avocats (UIA) 57th Congress in Macau, China. Murray, who is a member of the UIA’s governing board and a presidential counselor, presented a talk on “Mediation as a Tool in Complex Products Liability Litigation.” He also participated in the “Large Law Firm Forum” and spoke about the impact of the economic downturn on large U.S. law firms.

Jeff Lichtstein ’08 has joined the Hudson County Prosecutor’s Office in New Jersey as assistant prosecutor. Jeff is a 2012 graduate of Cardozo School of Law in New York City.

Hannah Lonky ’10 has begun her second year at Northwestern University School of Law.

Samuel Mason ’75, a former partner at Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP in Philadelphia, was featured on the cover of the Legal Intelligencer in connection with his new position as general counsel of ENVIRON Corp., an environmental consulting firm.

Evan Minsberg ’06 has joined the Washington, D.C. office of DLA Piper, where he practices in the firm’s Financial Services Regulatory group.

Alejandro Miyar ’03 has joined Fox Rothschild LLP in Miami, Fla. as an associate. Before entering the University of Miami School of Law, where he graduated cum laude in 2013, Alejandro worked as press secretary for the Office of the Miami Mayor, as press secretary for the Florida Democratic Party, as a spokesman at the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, during the Obama Administration, and as regional communications director for Obama for America.

Michael Mogil ’84 owns and operates the Law Office of Michael W. Mogil PA in Hilton Head Island, S.C.

Daniel Morrison ’80 is a partner at Jones Morrison, LLP in Westchester, N.Y. Daniel is a member of the firm’s litigation, insurance practice, and real estate practice groups. He has been recognized as a “Super Lawyer” in New York.

Rahul Munshi ’06 was co-trial counsel in Pietrowski v. The Kintock Group, a 2013 whistleblower suit that was brought in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, resulting in a $1.68 million dollar verdict for Rahul’s client, recently named the highest single-employee jury verdict in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for 2013, according to the Legal Intelligencer.

David Nowacki ’09 graduated with a JD/MBA from Temple University in 2013.

Peter Olson ’72 will leave NATO in March 2014 and relocate to Portland, Oregon in May 2014. He is seeking a position as visiting scholar or senior researcher for the 2014–2015 academic year, in order to research, write, and lecture on special topics related to current issues in the practice of public international law, including the current and future role of NATO and of European public institutions.

Shane O’Neill ’83 is a partner at Ingram Yuzek Gainen Carroll & Bertolotti, LLP in New York City, where he practices in the commercial real estate group.
Michael Oswalt ’00 has been appointed assistant professor at Northern Illinois University College of Law, where he will teach labor and employment law. Michael was most recently a law fellow for the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) in Washington, D.C., where he provided legal counsel to a variety of low-wage worker organizing campaigns. Prior to joining SEIU, Michael clerked for Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor, who was then a judge on the U.S. Second Circuit Court of Appeals. He received his JD and a master’s in theological studies in 2008 from Duke University.

May Mon Post ’95, an employment and civil rights attorney at Deasey Mahoney Valentini & North, Ltd. in Philadelphia, is the editor-in-chief of The Philadelphia Lawyer and also pens the publication’s quarterly letter from the editor. In the latest edition, May Mon shared her story about her recent trip to her native country, Burma (Myanmar).

John Pyfer ’69 received the Silver Buffalo, the highest adult honor given by the Boy Scouts of America. John retired from his practice in Lancaster, Pa. in January 2013.

Jonathan Quinn ’81 has joined Neal Gerber Eisenberg LLP in Chicago as a partner.

Tom Quinn ’06, a Stanford Law School graduate, is clerking for the Hon. James F. Holderman of the District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Daniel Render ’06 has joined Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP in Chicago. A 2012 graduate of the University of Chicago School of Law, Daniel was previously an associate at Sidley Austin LLP. This summer, Daniel wed Emily Olson, a fellow 2012 University of Chicago School of Law graduate, with several HCLN members in attendance.

Fred Rodell ’26, a prolific writer and prominent scholar in the Legal Realism movement of the 1930s, was quoted in a recent item in the Yale Alumni Magazine. Fred taught at Yale Law School for over forty years. (Hat tip to Peter Goldberger ’71.)

Alan Sandals ’76, a principal of Sandals & Associates, PC in Philadelphia, has been appointed to the board of directors of the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia.

Joel Sayres ’97 is an associate at Faegre Baker Daniels LLP in Denver. A 2002 graduate of Yale Law School, Joel previously clerked for Judge David M. Ebel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit.

Eric Scherling ’98, a member at Cozen O’Connor in Philadelphia, recently penned an article for the Legal Intelligencer entitled, “Dismissal of ‘Litigation Tactic’ Bankruptcy Cases.”

Craig A. Schwartz ’04, a 2011 cum laude graduate of Northwestern University School of Law, has joined Pepper Hamilton LLP in Washington, D.C. Craig previously clerked for the Hon. Carl E. Stewart of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit, and the Hon. Thomas C. Wheeler of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.

Jon Selkowitz ’05 has joined Ballard Spahr LLP in Philadelphia. Jon graduated magna cum laude from Temple University Beasley School of Law and recently completed a federal judicial clerkship with the Hon. Juan Sanchez of the District Court for the Eastern District of Pa.
Candice Shih ’01 graduated from the University of California—Hastings School of Law in 2013. She was a member of the Hastings Law Journal.

Lindsay Sklar ’10, a 2013 graduate of Fordham University School of Law, joined Neubert Pepe & Monteith, PC in New Haven as an associate. She concentrates her practice on health care law, general business law, and commercial litigation.

John Soroko ’73, the chairman and the chief executive officer of Duane Morris LLP, was featured on the cover of the Legal Intelligencer in connection with the fact that Duane Morris became the first U.S. firm to open an office in Myanmar.

Steve Spaulding ’05, staff counsel at Common Cause in Washington, D.C., penned an article for The Hill that was titled, “McCutcheon v. FEC: Undermining Representative Democracy.” The piece hit newsstands on October 4, 2013. Stephen’s work also has been featured in Politico, and he has recently been quoted in a Bloomberg/BusinessWeek story on Wal-Mart’s practice of asking employees to give money directly to political action committees. He has also been quoted in the Chronicle of Philanthropy, where he contended that the IRS’s current approach to defining prohibited political activity for social welfare groups and charities “needs to go the way of the dodo bird.”

Paul Squire ’84 is general counsel and corporate secretary for Teladoc, a national health care provider network. Previously, Paul was a partner at Epstein Becker & Green, PC and associate general counsel with WellPoint.

Eric Sterling ’73 is chair of the Alcohol and Other Abuse Advisory Council in Montgomery County, Md. and is a member of the New York City Bar Association’s Drugs and the Law Committee. Eric is also serving a four-year appointment by Maryland’s Governor Martin O’Malley on the Maryland Medical Marijuana Commission.

Daniel Steuer ’89, has joined the Colorado Attorney General’s Office in the Natural Resources Section, Federal and Interstate Water Unit, after many years practicing federal Indian law for a private firm in Boulder.

Don Suh ’96 is associate counsel for Dover Corporation. Donald previously worked at Shearman & Sterling LLP after graduating from Duke University School of Law in 2012.

Jeremy Temkin ’84, principal at Morvillo Abramowitz Grand Iason & Anello PC in New York City, has penned several recent articles for the New York Law Journal and Forbes.com on the business of college athletics and the Department of Justice’s prosecution of Swiss banks.

Kesav Wable ’02, who graduated from Brooklyn Law School in 2008, has achieved much success as an actor and writer. His film, For Flow, was selected as a finalist at the 2011 HBO American Black Film Festival and runs on HBO and HBOGo through January 2014.

Spencer Walters ’05 is an associate at Covington & Burling LLP in Washington, D.C., where he is a member of both the employee benefits and executive compensation as well as the transportation practice groups. Spencer graduated cum
Laude from the University of Michigan Law School in 2010, where he was executive production editor of the *Michigan Law Review*.

**Steve Wasserman ’76**, a partner at the firm of Sedgwick LLP in San Francisco, was named as a “Super Lawyer” in the area of professional liability defense for the seventh consecutive year by *Northern California Super Lawyer Magazine*. Steve has also been certified by the California Board of Legal Specialization of the State Bar of California as a Certified Specialist in Legal Malpractice Law. His practice includes products liability defense as well as business litigation. After five years managing Sedgwick’s firm-wide mentor program, Steve is now also in charge of Sedgwick’s pro bono program. He is active in Sedgwick’s community service efforts, participating with the San Francisco Food Bank, Friends of the Urban Forest, and Sedgwick’s AIDS Walk team. Steve and his wife and son participate in his synagogue’s program providing meals for residents at women’s and family shelters in San Francisco. Steve also heads up the firm’s team in the JP Morgan Challenge, in which he says he is routinely left in the dust by younger members of the firm. (He runs with purpose, if not speed.)

**Peter Wilhelm ’99** has begun a federal judicial clerkship with the Hon. Thomas Durkin of the District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Peter formerly worked as an associate at White & Case LLP in New York City, and before that he clerked for Magistrate Judge Gabriel W. Gorenstein of the District Court for the Southern District of New York.

**Phil Zipin ’78**, an employment attorney at Zipin Law Firm in Maryland, was one of ten former Haverford men’s soccer players honored for inclusion to the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) All-Century Team.

**If you have any news or would like to be included in the next edition of Law Blotter, please email Rahul at munshi@consolelaw.com.**

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