HCLN WELCOME

Back at my old stomping grounds last month in Center City Philadelphia, my closest friends and I toasted to a great day of reconnection—all thanks to HCLN. As we chronicle throughout this newsletter, our first HCLN Law Symposium went off exceedingly well with a cohort of some of the finest minds Haverford has produced.

The day was quite impactful on a personal level, because of all the people that made the trip to campus. Panelists traveled from all over the country, and some of my closest friends came from near and far, including Daniel Render ’06, and his beautiful wife, Emily, from Chicago; my collegiate mentor Aaron Rabinowitz ’03 from Maryland (who edited numerous undergraduate papers of mine); and Ray Lemisch ’79, a fellow Delaware lawyer, from the far reaches of Lower Merion, Pa.

The College was important in our personal and professional development, but it is the people we connect with that bond us together as a living community. Rahul Munshi ’06 and I want to thank all of our volunteers—alumni and College staff—for their commitment to this organization. We are extremely grateful for everyone’s efforts, which went into making this event a success.

This issue also features an engaging interview with Charles Canady ’76, a Florida State Supreme Court Justice, as well as career highlights from countless Haverford lawyers who are impacting their community.

We look forward to seeing everyone again at our next set of local events in New York this summer, in Washington, D.C. on October 15, and Wilmington in January 2016.

—Michael Gordon ’04

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FOR THE RECORD: Charles Canady ’76
by Meredith Schultz ’03

Florida Supreme Court Justice Charles Canady ’76 is an alumnus of distinction, having served in all three branches of government. After three terms in the Florida House of Representatives, he served four terms in the U.S. House of Representatives, where he was a member of the House Judiciary Committee and chair of the House Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution. Upon leaving Congress, he served as general counsel to Florida Governor Jeb Bush. He was appointed to the Second District Court of Appeal in 2002 and by Governor Charlie Crist in 2008 to the Florida Supreme Court (SCOFLA), where he served as chief justice from 2010 to 2012.

You spent a significant portion of your career as an elected representative, first in Tallahassee, and then in Washington. What was your proudest moment while serving in Congress?

It was a great privilege to be elected to and serve in Congress. It was an interesting job, where every day was a wonderful learning experience, if you approached it the right way. One of the laws I helped pass, that’s still making a difference today, is the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995. Against much opposition, but with bipartisan support, this act reformed the revolving-door lobbying that was prevalent back then. The legislation imposed stringent registration and reporting requirements, giving the public information on which entities were lobbying Congress, and which lobbyists they were using.

I also played a key role in passing the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (RLUIPA), which both the House and Senate passed by unanimous consent. This act prevents religious discrimination in zoning laws and prevents religious discrimination against people detained in state institutions. This law continues to be the subject of multiple Court of Appeals and U.S. Supreme Court (SCOTUS) decisions. For example, earlier this year, SCOTUS ruled that a prison’s rule forbidding beards was a violation of RLUIPA when applied to an inmate who wanted to grow a beard in accordance with his Muslim faith. The Court held that, under RLUIPA, a state or local government may not take any action that substantially burdens the religious exercise of an institutionalized person, unless it demonstrates that the action constitutes the least restrictive means of furthering a compelling government interest.

What part of being a SCOFLA justice gets you excited for your day?

The highlight of the job, for me, is when I hear oral argument. I enjoy the interchange of ideas when the lawyers for both sides bring effective advocacy over a difficult issue. It is gratifying to be able to participate in that from the bench. I also enjoy writing opinions.

Sandra Day O’Connor was the last former elected official on SCOTUS. You are the only former elected official on SCOFLA. Do you think it’s helpful for a justice to have been an elected official?

Having experience in another branch of government is helpful for a judge; it lends perspective and understanding that might
be lacking if you had not had that experience. Having served in Congress, in the executive branch of Florida’s government, and in the judiciary, I’ve found that the internal workings of the branches of government appear opaque to members of the other branches, and that often leads to suspicion. Sometimes things that are perfectly ordinary in one branch will not make sense to people who have not been involved in that institution. Legislators may not understand how courts function, for example. When one branch of government does not understand how the others operate, this exacerbates the tension already built into the interaction among the three branches. Serving in another branch of government gives a jurist a valuable perspective in cases involving the interplay of these institutional relationships, particularly in cases regarding the separation of powers.

I’ve heard that death penalty work takes up about half of SCOFLA’s time. Do you agree with that estimate?

Death penalty cases are a significant part of the docket. Any case in which a sentence of death has been imposed comes to SCOFLA on direct appeal. It also comes to SCOFLA on the post-conviction appeal, then a successive post-conviction appeal, and the final time associated with signing of the death warrant. Therefore, we see each case at least three times, and often we see them more than that. The cases tend to be ones that raise multiple issues, often between five and ten, that need to be carefully examined. There is no type of case that comes before the Court for which it is more essential that there be no error and that the Court properly considers the case and comes to the right conclusion. Based upon all of the review and consideration the Court gives these cases, they may well take up more than fifty percent of the Court’s time.

In Florida, you and other Chief Justices have requested more judgeships to handle the increasing workload, and the Court has regularly been turned down or received less than what it asked for. How have funding shortages affected the operation of the Florida Judiciary?

We have been through a period in which restraints on funding for the courts have had a significant impact on the branch. However, we’ve been fortunate in comparison to other states, where there have been furloughs of court staff and even of judges. Through the economic crisis, we lost some employees and support personnel, and that has had a significant impact on our ability to handle cases in the most efficient way. We are hoping that, over time, we will get back the support personnel that we have lost. Overall, we could use more resources. Florida is a growing state, and having a vibrant and efficient state court system is critical to the future of the state.

When you were in college and law school, were you interested in policy and potentially serving in Washington?

Yes. In fact, my interest in politics and policy goes back even before I went to college. My father ran Florida Governor Lawton Chiles’ Senate campaign, so I grew up around politics and had an interest from an early age.

How has your experience at Haverford resonated with you in your career path?

Haverford’s biggest influence was to impress upon me the importance of intellectual honesty. This value is important in all spheres of life, but there is no place where it’s more important than
in the actions of the judicial branch. At Haverford, I came to better understand what intellectual honesty meant and just how important it was. I remain grateful to Haverford for giving me that.

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HCLN HOLDS ITS INAUGURAL LAW SYMPOSIUM

by Benjamin L. Shechtman ’08

After years of successful and well-attended local events, on April 11, HCLN hosted its first-ever symposium, in Haverford’s Stokes Auditorium. The symposium represents a natural development in the trajectory of this budding organization, but it was also a turning point for HCLN.

Until HCLN co-founder Rahul Munshi ’06 informed me of the agenda, I never would have imagined myself in a room with three federal judges, a former Bush administration advisor and prominent political commentator, the chief of staff to a congressional representative, and a successful campaign media director, among numerous other prominent attorneys from Philadelphia and elsewhere. And yet that’s exactly where I found myself, along with more than 75 others on that sunny Saturday afternoon at the ‘Ford.

Ron Christie ’91 shared insights and recollections of his path to the White House.

After a luncheon for speakers and others was a keynote address from Ron Christie ’91. Ron spoke with his signature passion and flair about his journey from Haverford to the White House and the numerous unexpected twists and turns along the way. He told some unforgettable stories, including one, after George W. Bush’s 2000 presidential election win, when he turned around a car of campaign staffers (and beer)—en route to a Florida beach to celebrate—so he could return to Washington to interview for a position in the Office of the Vice President.

The symposium continued with a panel discussion of "Voices from the Bench." Moderated by Phil Brown ’83, the panel featured Hon. David Hamilton ’79 of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, Hon. Richard Andrews ’77 of the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware, and Hon. Jennifer Boal ’85 of the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts. Members of the audience—many of them practicing attorneys—sat on the edge of their seats, taking in the panel’s insight and wisdom on topics ranging from the use of oral argument to how their Haverford experiences have influenced their various approaches to the law and the bench.
After years of hard work on their part, and successful less-formal gatherings, this event marked the richest manifestation of that of that ideal to date. I look forward to the next symposium and to seeing what else is in store for HCLN.

A second panel, "The State of Our Democracy: Money in Politics Post–Citizens United," included Stephen Spaulding ’05, Andrew Eldredge-Martin ’01, and Laurie Saroff BMC ’90. The energetic and impassioned discussion touched on topics including the history of U.S. campaign finance, how candidates conduct campaigns in the post–Citizens United world, and the day-to-day fundraising of current members of Congress.

A political junkie, I found fascinating the juxtaposition of Stephen—policy counsel at Common Cause, which works to #GetMoneyOut of politics—with Laurie and Drew, who’ve worked on political campaigns from inside and out. The day concluded with a sun-bathed reception outside of Stokes Hall.

The symposium was both impressive in its constituency and inspiring as to what the future of HCLN holds. Rahul and Michael Gordon ’06 founded HCLN to bring Haverford lawyers together and utilize the group's then-untapped potential.
Beverly Ortega Babers ’84 is the chief administrative officer for the U.S. Mint in Washington, D.C. A graduate of University of California at Berkeley School of Law, Beverly has spent over two decades with the federal government in various roles with the Department of Justice, Internal Revenue Service, and Department of Education.

Dean Barclay ’78 is counsel at White & Case LLP in Washington, D.C., where he focuses on customs issues. Dean earned a Ph.D. in English from Harvard University and was previously an associate professor of English at Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Ill. He is a 2002 graduate of Washington & Lee University School of Law.

David Block ’13 is completing his second year at University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Jessica Eisenhaure ’92 is associate general counsel at Fresenius Medical Care North America. Since 2005, she has managed multiple attorneys providing healthcare regulatory, transactional, commercial, and real estate support to Fresenius’ dialysis services business. Previously, Jessica held a compliance position at an Express Scripts business unit and legal counsel roles at Holland & Knight (Boston) and Gardner, Carton & Douglas (Washington, D.C.). She earned a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 1997.

Mark Geragos ’79 has filed several high-profile employment lawsuits against Zillow, Inc., in California that have gained national attention. Mark represents several plaintiffs who have alleged they were victims of pervasive sexual harassment and lewd conduct by male supervisors.

A California federal judge recently denied Zillow’s motion to dismiss the bulk of the discrimination suit, setting the table for a future blockbuster trial.

Michael Ginsburg ’93 has joined Farella Braun + Martel LLP as special counsel to its renewable energy and clean technologies practice. Michael represents energy-project developers on a wide range of transactions, including development, acquisition, disposition, and project financing of both traditional and renewable energy projects, including solar, wind, geothermal, landfill gas, biomass, and energy storage. A 1999 graduate of Stanford Law School, he has been named a leading lawyer by Legal 500 U.S. (2013, 2014) in the areas of project finance and energy (renewable/alternative).

Peter Goldberger ’71, proprietor of the Law Office of Peter Goldberger in Ardmore, Pa., was quoted in a recent Wall Street Journal article on potential rule changes to appellate procedure that will limit the lengths of appellate briefs.

Speaking on the “Money in Politics” panel were (left to right) Andrew Eldredge-Martin ’01, Laurie Saroff BMC ’90, and Stephen Spaulding ’05.
Herbert M. Kritzer ’69 recently published *Lawyers at Work*, a collection of articles and essays that draws on his 35 years of research on lawyers and legal practice. Herbert previously worked on the Civil Litigation Research Project, a massive study funded by the U.S. Department of Justice under the Carter administration. He is currently the Marvin J. Sonosky Chair of Law and Public Policy at the University of Minnesota Law School and has taught empirical legal studies, politics of legal policy, and statistics for lawyers.

Shoshana E. Litt ’95 is an associate at Jones Day in Cleveland, where she counsels both private and public companies on executive compensation and employee benefits. Shoshana is a 2003 cum laude graduate of American University, where she was the note and comment editor of the *Law Review*. She also earned a master’s in East Asian Studies from Yale University in 1998.

Ken Ludwig ’72, famed playwright and Harvard Law School graduate, premiered *Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery* at Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater in Washington, D.C. in January. Ken has had numerous hits on Broadway, in London, and throughout the world. His first play on Broadway, *Lend Me a Tenor*, won two Tony Awards and was nominated for seven. He has also won two Laurence Olivier Awards (England's highest theater honor), two Helen Hayes Awards, the Edgar Award from the Mystery Writers of America, and the Edwin Forrest Award for Services to the American Theatre. The Royal Shakespeare Company and the Bristol Old Vic have commissioned his work, and his plays have been performed in over 30 countries in more than 20 languages.

Liam McCarthy ’95 is a partner at Crowley and McCarthy PC in Lynnfield, Mass., where he focuses on first-party property insurance coverage and subrogation matters. Liam is a 1999 graduate of University of Maine School of Law and formerly a partner at Scannell & Crowley LLP.

Joel Michel ’12 is completing his second year at Temple University Beasley School of Law. Joel has achieved tremendous success with Temple’s nationally ranked trial team, representing Temple at the National Trial Competition regional finals in Philadelphia.

Amy Pope ’96 has been named deputy Homeland Security advisor and deputy assistant to President Obama. Amy is a 2001 graduate of Duke University School of Law and previously worked for the Department of Justice and the National Security Council as special assistant to the President and senior director, among other positions. Amy was a featured panelist at the March 2015 Public Policy Forum at Haverford.

Jordan McGuffee ’18 (center) and Nick Barile ’18 (right), co-chairs of the Haverford Mock Trial Team, chat with their coach Andrew Katz ’07. (For more, see page 4.)
Asim Rehman ’97, former president of the Muslim Bar Association of New York, was appointed as general counsel for the new Office of the Inspector General for the New York City Police Department.

Ariane Rockoff-Kirk ’11 is completing her second year at Cardozo School of Law, Yeshiva University. Ariane has worked as a legal intern with the Innocence Project in New York City.

Robert Schwartz ’71, co-founder and executive director of Juvenile Law Center in Philadelphia, will retire from the organization in October. The first public interest law firm for children in the United States, Juvenile Law Center started out as a small Philadelphia office that represented individual children in situations requiring legal advice. Bob has received numerous awards, including the Andrew Hamilton Award from the Philadelphia Bar Association "for exemplary service in the public interest," the Reginald Heber Smith Award from the National Legal Aid and Defender Association, the Livingston Hall Award from the American Bar Association, the Stephen M. Cahn Award from the National Association of Counsel for Children for career achievement, and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Legal Intelligencer. He will receive the fourth annual Mark Hardin Award for Child Welfare Legal Scholarship and Systems Change from the American Bar Association for Children and the Law, to be presented at the center’s national conference on July 24 in Washington, D.C. Bob was featured in the 2013 documentary Kids for Cash, which chronicled the judicial kickback scandal in Luzerne County, Pa.

Alex Shahla ’07 has joined Shahla PC in Houston. A 2012 graduate of Pepperdine University School of Law, Alex previously externed for Hon. Harry Pregerson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He focuses on intellectual property, corporate, and regulatory matters, particularly on the media, entertainment, and technology.

John J. Soroko ’73, chairman and chief executive officer of Duane Morris LLP, was featured in the March 18 Legal Intelligencer cover story about the three percent bump in Duane Morris’ profits per equity partner (PPP) in 2014.

Stephen Spaulding ’05, policy counsel at Common Cause in Washington, D.C., was quoted in numerous stories about Rep. Aaron Schock’s resignation and the current state of money in politics. He also recently penned an op ed for the Huffington Post titled, “More Money, More Problems: Open Mic at the Federal Election Commission” and for Salon titled, “America’s ‘Menendez’ Problem: How Big Money Poisons Politics—and How It Can Be Fixed.” Steve was also a featured panelist at the inaugural HCLN Symposium in April (see article on page 4) and spoke at Haverford’s Public Policy Forum in March.

Shanin Specter ’80 presented at the Pennsylvania Bar Institute (PBI) seminar “Lessons Learned from the Legendary James Beasley, Sr.” in March. Shanin is co-founder of Kline & Specter PC in Philadelphia.

Arn Tellem ’76, vice chair of the Wasserman Media Group and world-renowned sports agent, received a public thank you from former Major League All-Star Jason Giambi in Giambi’s retirement announcement. As of April, Arn ranked first among NBA player agents in players represented (42), All-Stars (12), maxed-out contracts (6), and clients’ salaries ($324,980,992). The New York Times.
quoted Arn in a March 27 article titled, “Indiana Law Denounced as Invitation to Discriminate Against Gays.”

Jonathan Wagner ’80 is a litigation partner at Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP in New York City. He represented a major group of creditors in the recently concluded Detroit municipal bankruptcy proceeding.

Marc Zilversmit ’83, a Bay-Area criminal defense attorney, recently litigated a high-profile case before the California Supreme Court and was quoted in various national news outlets, including SFGate.com, NPR news, and the San Jose Mercury News.

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

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