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The price of each program has been kept low and reasonable. All programs are scheduled for Saturday mornings for the convenience of Practitioners. The feedback we have received from attorneys has been encouraging. They find our written materials excellent, the speakers knowledgeable, and our fees reasonable. The CSU-CLE Director indicates the suggestions we receive regarding procedure and subject matter are helpful when developing future programs and recruiting panelists.

Our goal, quality programming, takes time, money, and attention to detail. Thanks to a small volunteer staff, a
MEMBERSHIP

Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Alumni Association

By: Howard D. Mishkind '80
Vice-President and Membership Advisor

First, take a moment to notice the distinguished list of Officers, Trustees and Honorary Trustees of our association, located on the last page of Law Notes. Through their leadership and dedication, the Law Alumni Association is, and will continue to be, a vital link between the Law School and the legal community.

Second, through your participation in the Association, you have the opportunity to provide your input into planning and implementation of our activities. You will also have the opportunity to establish contacts and relation-
ships that will last throughout your professional practice. Each of our members recognizes that we all come from a common place—Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Knowing you can telephone a fellow member to seek advice or direction on any problem you may have is a great solace and an asset and resource of your practice.

Third, with the requirement for continuing legal education, the College of Law and our association, through CSU-CLE, cosponsor a number of first class seminars in a variety of areas of interest. The Alumni Association CLE Committee is currently considering plans to arrange a discount or rebate for dues paying members. As soon as we work out the details, we'll let you know.

Fourth, the Association sponsors many social events which include class reunions, recognition luncheons, bar results parties in May and November, an annual open house at the Law School, an evening at the theatre and many other social functions. Each of these occasions provide opportunities to see members of your class and other graduates whom you otherwise might not see. In our profession, the importance of maintaining contact with other practicing members of the Bar cannot be overstated.

Fifth, as a member of our Association, you will receive publications which will keep you apprised of Alumni news and Law School activities. You will also have complete Law Library privileges. In addition, the Association is actively involved in many positive aspects of improving the legal education provided to our future colleagues.

Membership in the Association is free to graduates in their first year after graduation. Membership dues are thereafter scaled to a maximum of $50.00 per year. Your tax deductible annual membership dues will benefit you, the Law School, and the Association.

In lieu of the normal annual membership dues, I encourage you to consider becoming a life member of the Association. Life membership dues are $1,000.00; payable in four (4) installments of $250.00, will assist us significantly in reaching the goals of the Association. In addition, after four years in the Association, you will receive a life long commitment from the Association without the obligation of continuing annual dues.

I encourage you to join our Association and to participate actively in the social and professional activities available. I also encourage you to pass the word to a fellow graduate who may not already be a member of the Association.

If you have any questions or would be interested in participating on any committee activities (membership, continuing legal education, publications, insurance, minority concerns, and social), please do not hesitate to contact me at 781-1111 or Jim Tavern '87 at 241-7000.

Social Committee

The Social Committee of the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association, which is co-chaired by Karen Davey '80 and Linda Rich '77, has put together a number of social events for the year that have proven to be both entertaining and a great way to see fellow alumni.

On October 27, 1989, we welcomed our new lawyers to the practice with a party celebrating their passing the Bar Exam. On November 17, 1989, a reception was held honoring the past Presidents of the Law Alumni Association in the Atrium of the law school.

On December 7, 1989, "A Christmas Carol" was attended by members who enjoyed cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at a private party in the lobby of the Ohio Theater.

In February 1990, the Social Committee plans to have a night out at a CSU basketball game with a get-together either before or after the event. In April 1990, on the Friday following the release of the February Bar results, a reception will be held at the law school honoring those who passed.

The Annual Awards Recognition Luncheon will be held on May 9, 1990 at the Statler Office Tower Ballroom. The awards luncheon is our opportunity to recognize two of our colleagues for outstanding service.

For further information, please call our Law Alumni Coordinator, Nancy Goldman, or Mary McKenna at 687-2368.

Class of 1939 Reunites at CSU's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law

Members of the Class of 1939 of Cleveland-Marshall College of Law School gathered for a 50th reunion at Cleveland State University's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Eight of the 39 graduates came back for their reunion. Attending the event were: George E. Fedor, James K. Dodge, Nelson Friedman, Robert L. Ball, Regina L. Kaplan, Franklin A. Polk, Lawrence Jaros and Stanley F. Jaros.
Minority Concerns Committee
By: Sheryl King-Benford '79
Committee Chairperson

The Minority Concerns Committee of the Cleveland-Marshall Alumni Association was established in September of 1989. The newly formed Committee is comprised of Cleveland-Marshall graduates from 1955 to 1989. While the committee is committed to increasing the involvement of minority graduates in the Alumni Association, it is concerned, on a broader basis, with the dwindling number of minorities entering the legal profession.

Dean Steven R. Smith has been invited to speak to the committee at its December meeting about inter alia, the College of Law, and his ideas about attracting minority students to the legal profession. Other members of the faculty and staff of the College of Law will be invited to make presentations to the committee. Our members plan to use the information and insights they receive to assist our Alma Mater in its efforts in recruitment and retention of minority students. The Committee hopes to engage in a mentoring relationship with current students as a part of its efforts to assist the College of Law in the retention of minority students.

Committee member Roberto Rodriguez has begun meeting with some current Hispanic law students and has invited them to a meeting of the Ohio Hispanic Bar Association so that they can meet lawyers in our community. The Minority Concerns Committee meets in Judge George White's chambers at the Federal Courthouse the first week of each month. If you would like more information about the Minority Concerns Committee and its activities feel free to contact committee chairperson Sheryl King-Benford at 664-2701. The Committee members are: Sheryl King-Benford '79; Janet E. Burkey '79; Melody J. Stewart '88; Roberto H. Rodriguez, Jr. '81; Honorable Ronald Adriene '73; Honorable Carl Character '61; Honorable George White '55; Gregory Clifford, '81; Donald C. Williams '73; Dea Character Floyd '88; Regina Melton '90; Earl Williams '76; Jose Feliciano '75; Renee McCary '79; Gerald R. Walton '80; Richard S. Koblentz '75; Lawrence R. Floyd '87.

A Message From Dean Steven R. Smith

It is a great honor for me to join the Cleveland-Marshall family. I am most grateful for all of the good wishes and encouragement that I have already received from the law school alumni. During the interviewing process it became apparent to me that this is a law school that has made great progress over the years. The alumni who are making this a great school have much to be proud of. The process of improvement is one which I hope to continue.

A quality law school is one in which the alumni are active participants. You can help your law school in a number of ways. First, we welcome your encouragement and advice. Let us know what we are doing right and what we should change. As the "teaching arm" of the profession, we are anxious for you to participate in our educational programs.

Obituaries

Our condolences to the families and friends of the following Cleveland-Marshall Alumni whose deaths occurred in 1989:

Ray C. Baesel, '36; Leo G. Chimo, '41; Frederick M. Coleman, '53; Louis M. Cowan, '27; Milton T. Daus, '29; Stanely Lincoln Engel, '41; Walter L. Greene, '53; Joseph L. Hand, '53; William Jordan, Jr., '58; Fred W. Schrade, '29; Frank P. Talarico, '40; Belle Weiss, '29; Leo Weiss, '56; Theodore M. Williams, '32.

Membership Committee

The 1989/90 membership drive for the Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Alumni Association is underway. The goal of our Association is to double our membership this year. If you are not currently receiving dues statements or would like to assist in the 1989/90 membership drive, please contact Jim Tavens at 241-7000.

Second, your moral and political support are important to us. It is important for you to express your support of the law school to members of the community. The law school depends on the support of the State of Ohio and the Cleveland State University. A good word about the law school (and the needs of the law school) to state and university leaders can be very important.

Third, alumni play important roles in admissions and placement. Your help in identifying outstanding applicants and in encouraging them to attend Cleveland-Marshall will be very much appreciated. At the same time, you can be very helpful to Cleveland-Marshall graduates by identifying placement opportunities for our graduates. We have alumni throughout northern Ohio and from Wall Street to Beverly Hills. Our graduates can successfully compete with those of any law school in the country. Therefore, we are anxious to identify a broad range of legal opportunities for them.

Finally, your financial support is important to Cleveland-Marshall. We can expect the state to provide the financing for a good, solid program. It is up to the alumni and friends of the law school to provide the margin of excellence. We will ask you to do that in two ways: by contributing to the annual fund drive and by contributing to special endowment funds to create long-term income for the school. You will hear a good deal about our efforts to insure quality through alumni support.

This will be an exciting time at Cleveland-Marshall. With an outstanding faculty of dedicated scholars and teachers, with a first-class staff, with a talented and hardworking student body, and with a dedicated and energized alumni, this school is poised to take advantage of a number of great opportunities.

During the interviewing process search committees are prone to exaggerate somewhat. In this instance, the search committee did not exaggerate the truth, and that is the level of support for Cleveland-Marshall that I have discovered among its alumni. That support is a major strength of the school.

I will look forward to meeting you and to working with you in the months ahead.
son has been selected. In addition, the Minority Concerns Committee will recommend policy positions which will be considered and may be adopted by the Law Alumni Association. The Minority Concerns Committee will attempt to work with the administrations of both the law school and Cleveland State University in an advisory capacity with the goal of developing the actual practice of equal opportunity and equal treatment of all students and alumni. The committee is available to assist the law school in its search for and recruitment of high quality minority faculty candidates. The Minority Concerns Committee is planning a mentor program and is exploring the possibility of conducting this program jointly with the Norman S. Minor Bar Association.

The Past Presidents Committee was formed this year to serve as the nucleus for the lobbying effort which the Law Alumni Association will conduct on behalf of the law school. For far too long, the law school has received less funds than it needs to maintain a first rate library and to adequately compensate our very talented faculty. The Past Presidents Committee will organize and call upon our influential law alumni to help in our lobbying effort with the Ohio State Board of Regents, the Ohio State Legislature and Cleveland State University. Our goal is to obtain our fair share of the education and capital improvement dollars in Ohio. Cleveland-Marshall College of Law now receives less money per student for the operation of its library than any other law school in the State of Ohio. This is just an example of the funding inequity. It is time for Cinderella to prepare for the ball.

The Social Committee is co-chaired by Karen Davey '80 and Linda Rich '77. The Social Committee has very diligently planned a number of social events for the Law Alumni. The listing of those events appears elsewhere in this newsletter.

The Membership Committee is chaired by James Tavens '87, with Scott Spero '89 serving as vice-chair. Howard Mishkind '80, our Vice-President and a past chair of the Membership Committee, serves in a very active advisory capacity. You should have heard from Howard, Jim and Scott about membership and its advantages and benefits through separate membership mailings.

If you have not taken advantage of membership, I hope you do so soon. In doing so, your dues will allow the Alumni Association to better serve you and our alma mater by defraying the costs of operating the Law Alumni Association.

The Publications Committee is responsible primarily for keeping all of our Law Alumni informed of association activities, programs and benefits. The committee is in the process of examining the most efficient and cost-effective form of publications to meet our needs. Funds permitting, we hope to expand our publication to inform you of activities and occurrences at the Law School, as well. The Publications Committee is co-chaired by Maria Quinn '79 and Hermine Eisen '81.

Our last operating committee is the Insurance Committee. It is co-chaired by William Farrall '72 and Laurie Starr '85. The Insurance Committee has made group disability insurance available to the members of the Law Alumni Association at a reduced premium rate. The Committee is currently investigating the advisability and feasibility of offering our members group life insurance and health insurance programs.

In order for the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association to have a strong voice which is heard by the law school administration, law school faculty, and CSU administration, we need to demonstrate to these people that the Law Alumni Association is supported by our people, Law Alumni. This can only be demonstrated through the size and involvement of our membership. In order for the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association to be heard in our lobbying efforts, the people to whom we deliver our message must know that that message is supported by a significant number of law alumni. Again, that support will be measured by the size and activity of our membership.

Aside from the strength that a large membership will give the Law Alumni Association in policy-making and lobbying efforts, your membership dues are the revenue on which the association relies to operate our activities and programs. Despite the tremendous volunteer effort which is being made by so many of our fellow law alumni this year, we would be unable to operate our programs and activities without a small paid staff, equipment and supplies. We cannot rely on the Continuing Legal Education program or any other program to finance our operations. We need the help of each of you. Please respond to our Membership mailing by joining your Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association as a dues paying member.

The officers and the trustees of the Law Alumni Association are all working extremely hard. More heartening than that, however, is the fact that a significant number of our fellow alumni are participating in committee activities. This year, as in any year, the success of our programs and activities requires substantial volunteer effort from many of our fellow alumni.

Every member of the Law Alumni Association is eligible to and encouraged to participate in any or all of the Association's committee activities. Membership also allows you to take full advantage of any and all of the programs and events which are sponsored or co-sponsored by the Law Alumni Association.

The Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association exists to benefit all of us, the Law Alumni, and to assist the law school in its growth and development and in its mission to train future lawyers and to continue to train our graduates. By supporting the Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association, you are supporting yourselves and your law school. The Law Alumni Association cannot exist without your support and membership. Your support and involvement will be welcome and greatly appreciated by your fellow alumni who are already actively participating in the Law Alumni Association.

Best regards,

Jerry Walton '80
President, Cleveland-Marshall Law Alumni Association
Alumni Happenings

Judge Stanley Fisher ’50 spoke on “An Overview of Domestic Relations Law,” on November 10th at the Statler Office Tower as part of the CLE sponsored by the Cuyahoga County Bar Association;

Donald P. Traci ’55 has been elected President of the International Academy of Trial Lawyers for 1989;

Patrick J. Moran ’60 has been promoted to the position of Vice President for Fiscal Legislation for Merck & Co.;

Gary Goldwasser ’67 of Reminger & Reminger has been appointed Vice chairman of the American Bar Association's Committee on Medicine and Law, Section of Tort and Insurance Practice for 1989-90;

Patrick J. Gnazzo ’71 has been appointed Vice President and Litigation Counsel at United Technologies Corp. (UTC);

Attorney General Anthony J. Celebrezze, Jr. ’73 was honored by the Jewish National Fund Foundation of Cleveland on July 31, 1989, with the 1989 Julius B. Amber Friendship Award;

F. Ronald O’Keefe ’77 has joined the law firm of Hahn Loeser & Parks as Of Counsel;

Elizabeth T. Dreyfuss, ’78 Assis-
tant Dean of Cleveland Marshall College of Law is the third woman to become President of the Cleveland City Club;

Mark Mazzolini ’78 has been named Vice-President-Commercial Loan officer for Ameritrust Development Bank;

Farris E. Williams ’78 is the new president of the Norman S. Minor Bar Association of Cleveland;

Patricia A. Hemann ’80 has been elected to the Board of Trustees of Women Together. Ms. Hemann is a partner with the firm of Hahn Loeser & Parks;

Paul O. Wickline ’81 has been appointed associate counsel for Parker Hannifin Corporate Corporation Legal Department in Cleveland;

Dennis J. Diemer ’82 has been named counsel at LDI Financial Services Corp., a major subsidiary of LDI Corporation;

Christopher A. Kalis ’82, local sports agent and attorney, has joined the law firm of Hahn Loeser & Parks;

Jeffrey A. Key ’82 of Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff has been elected Treasurer of the Northeast Ohio Art Museum;

Nancy L. Leibold ’82 has been appointed to the position of Deputy Clerk Defender with the Law Offices of the Los Angeles County Public Defender;

Patrick J. Moore ’82 has been named President and Chief Operating Officer of Cardinal Federal Bank;

Mary C. Groth ’83, Assistant Counsel at the Cleveland Bar Association has joined the Alumni Association's Board of Trustees;

Gary A. Henigster ’83 has been named new Editor and publisher of the ABA Journal;

Anna Ve Douras Anastos ’85, member of the Alumni Social Committee, has accepted a position with the Federal Government practicing Family Law and Bankruptcy for the Navy;

Sandra Harden Austin ’86 has been elected to the Board of Directors of National City Bank;

Jeanette M. Chandler, R.N. ’87 has been appointed Quality Assurance Program Coordinator at Eastman Dental Center in Rochester, New York;

Jane S. Flaherty ’88, Alumni Association Trustee and chair of the CLE Committee, has joined the Probate Court as Law Clerk;

Lawrence K. English ’89, Carol A. Jones ’89 and Sheila M. Ninneman ’89 have recently passed the Ohio State Bar examination and have joined the firm of Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff as associates. They will be practicing in the Cleveland office.

Welcome to all new members of the Bar—February and July 1989.

Continuing Legal Education

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As Panelists for our programs.

The tentative schedule for Spring 1990 CLE Series is as follows:

- Executions on Judgments, Robert Weltman, Esq.; Employer & Employee Rights, Responsibilities & Liabilities, David Schaeffer, Esq.; Estate Planning for the Elderly & Handicapped, Fran Schaul, Esq.; Medical Malpractice, Aaron Jacobson, Esq.; Products Liability, Alan Parker, Esq.; Attorney Malpractice & Ethics, Bert Fulton, Esq. & Deborah Coleman, Esq.; Criminal Law Review, and two other programs are in the planning stage.

of the Fall 1989 CLE Series. Their volunteer time and energy in recruiting panelists and making our program a success is greatly appreciated!


We also extend thanks to the Judges and Attorneys who volunteered their time, energy and legal knowledge,

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