STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
AND ACTIVITIES

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW REVIEW, founded in 1933 and published by the School, is written and managed by a Board of Editors made up of students. Students ranking highest in scholarship upon completion of their first year are invited to become competitors for election to the staff of the Review. From this group, the editorial staff and Board of Editors are chosen. Students not appointed at the end of the first year but who during their second year write notes or comments that are accepted for publication in the Review may be asked to join the editorial staff.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL STUDENT ASSOCIATION is composed of the entire student body and is affiliated with the American Law Student Association, a national organization sponsored by the American Bar Association. The Student Association sponsors a variety of social and extracurricular programs throughout the year, including weekly faculty-student luncheons, coffee hours, speaker programs, and athletic events. In addition, third-year members of the Association act as advisers to first-year students.

THE HINTON MOOT-COURT COMMITTEE conducts a two-year program in appellate advocacy. The program, open to all second- and third-year students, uses actual cases to provide students with instruction and experience in the arts of brief writing and oral argument. Hinton Competition judges are chosen from the faculty of the Law School, practicing attorneys, and judges in state and federal courts. Student counsel and Hinton judges discuss the case and counsel's performance at informal receptions following each argument. Judges for the final argument of the third-year Hinton Competition in 1970 were The Honorable J. Skelly Wright of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; The Honorable Wilfred Feinberg of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit; and The Honorable Shirley M. Hufstedler of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

THE MANDEL LEGAL AID ASSOCIATION is the organization through which students participate in the work of the Edwin F. Mandel Legal Aid Clinic, a branch office of the Legal Aid Bureau of Chicago located in the Law School. The Clinic renders legal assistance to indigent persons in the community adjacent to the University. Students selected for membership in the Association conduct weekly office hours in the Clinic and, under the guidance of the director and staff attorneys, assume responsibility for the cases of the clients who are interviewed. The program is intended to complement the academic study of law with experience in interviewing clients, investigating facts, dealing with adverse parties, and participating in court proceedings. In addition it seeks to acquaint students with the legal problems encountered by individuals and groups in an inner-city community; part of the
program of the Association is directed toward identifying and pursuing generally applicable remedies, such as test cases on recurrent problems that may alleviate the conditions giving rise to individual legal difficulties.

The Law Students Civil Rights Research Council provides field and research assistance in the areas of civil rights, civil liberties, and poverty law for community organizations and members of the Bar. The Council also assists in a summer program in which students are placed in positions with private attorneys, legal aid groups, or community organizations in both the North and the South.

The Summer Fieldwork Fellowship Program, supported by grants from private foundations, law firms, and alumni, provides opportunities for summer work by law students in a variety of service agencies, such as neighborhood legal services offices, public defender offices, crime investigating commissions, community renewal foundations, probation and parole services, correctional institutions, and juvenile court judges. The objects of the program are to give law students direct exposure to, and to broaden their understanding of, important social problems not emphasized in the formal curriculum; to give students an opportunity to apply their legal skills and to obtain training and experience in legal or semilegal activities; and to broaden students' range of career choices.

The Douglas Inn of Phi Delta Phi, a national legal fraternity, maintains a program of professional and social activities for its student membership.

HONORS AND PRIZES

The Joseph Henry Beale Prize, named in honor of the first Dean of the Law School, is awarded to the first-year student or students whose work in the first-year tutorial program is judged by the Faculty to be most worthy of special recognition. The winners for 1969–70 were Keith H. Beyler and Donna M. Murasky.

The Edwin F. Mandel Award is made annually to those members of the graduating class who, during their Law School career, have contributed the most to the Legal Aid program, in both the quality of the work done and the conscientious exercise of legal aid responsibilities. The award for 1969–70 was made to Richard S. McMillin and Peter Greenfield.

The Robert H. Jackson Prize is awarded annually to the students who submit the best papers in connection with the work of the Seminar on Constitutional Law.

The Jerome N. Frank Prize for distinguished Law Review writing is awarded annually for the outstanding comment produced by a third-year member of The University of Chicago Law Review. In 1969–70 the prize was awarded to Mark B. Simons.

The Hinton Moot Court Competition Awards are made to the winners of the third-year moot court competition. In 1969–70 the winners were Elizabeth S. Mercer and Paul E. Souers.