The University of Chicago Campaign: Inquiry and Impact

A Message from the Law Campaign Co-chairs

It is a fascinating time to be involved in legal education. With the laws of our land debated daily in national media and in homes and hallways everywhere, law and the legal profession have an increased immediacy in our lives.

As alumni of the nation’s greatest law school, we are proud to support our tremendous faculty and the extraordinary students of today who learn, as we did, to value the rigorous debate of ideas. We believe, more strongly than ever, that our support of the Law School is an excellent investment in our values and future.

It has been our honor to serve as advisors to Tom Miles in his first year as dean. As we have watched him take on the myriad responsibilities of a modern deanship, we have been impressed to see him pursue priorities that reflect our community’s greatest aspirations for the future of our Law School.

Dean Miles has identified three areas in which there are special opportunities to enhance the Law School’s distinction:

• To integrate and sustain the exciting programs in the clinics, in business law, and in professional leadership that have been created over the past 5 years;
• To reaffirm our focus on our core academic values and intellectual standards, including continuing our support for path-breaking academic scholarship and clinical work; and to ensure that our excellent work and ideas are amplified and have an impact beyond the walls of the Law School;
• To build scholarship support for students to ensure that the most promising students come to the Law School and that they enjoy career opportunities, including in public interest, that are exciting and even world-changing.

Since the start of the University of Chicago’s Campaign: Inquiry & Impact, the Law School has made record-setting strides. Your support has enabled the Law Campaign to surpass our original goal of raising $175 million. We thank each of you who has invested in our shared vision and been part of this great accomplishment!

With Dean Miles, we look to the remaining two years of the Campaign with renewed urgency. The competition from peer schools for top student talent grows ever more intense, and scholarship aid remains a pressing need for 80% of our student body. Additionally, support for faculty research and our academic programs makes the Law School the place where students learn from the most innovative legal thinkers. In today’s world, the Law School’s reputation and eminence depend heavily upon alumni philanthropy.

With your tremendous engagement and investment, the Law School has played a remarkable leadership role in setting the pace for the University’s Campaign. At this important time in our shared history, we ask you to recommit to our vision for the Law School’s future: ensuring our continued place at the forefront of legal education, inquiry, and impact in our world.

Sincerely,
Debra A. Cafaro, ’82
University Trustee
Dan Doctoroff, ’84
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Law School Launches the Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz Program in Behavioral Law, Finance, and Economics

Funded by a generous commitment from Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz, the University of Chicago Law School has fortified its position at the forefront of the study of law and economics with a new program designed to bring insight and thinking from the growing field of behavioral economics to the study of corporate governance and finance. The Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz Program in Behavioral Law, Finance and Economics will include a two-year, post-JD fellowship for an aspiring academic or policymaker, as well as faculty and student research, a speaker series, faculty visitors, and conferences.

“We are enormously grateful for Wachtell Lipton’s generosity and support in this important area of scholarship,” said Dean Thomas J. Miles, the Clifton R. Musser Professor of Law and Economics. “We look forward to welcoming our first Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz Fellow and continuing our history of producing influential research in behavioral law and economics.”

Behavioral economics takes human nature, behavior, and desires into account in a way that traditional economic models often cannot, offering scholars new tools for understanding how humans interact and economic systems function. The Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz Program initially will focus on behavioral law and economics within corporate governance and finance.

“We are very pleased to support the University of Chicago Law School in cutting-edge efforts to better understand the real-world dynamics of corporate governance, and help inform the crucial debate on how best to organize the governance and management of our public enterprises for the benefit of their shareholders and society,” said Martin Lipton, a founding partner of Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz.

Added Adam Emmerich, ’85, a partner at Wachtell Lipton specializing in corporate law: “The University of Chicago Law School has always occupied a place of particular importance in the study of law and economics, and we are especially pleased to be able to support the Law School in carrying forward that work into the twenty-first century.”

The program will be directed by Jonathan S. Masur, the John P. Wilson Professor of Law and David and Celia Hilliard Research Scholar. Masur is leading the search for the Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz Fellow, who will produce scholarship, teach, and participate in the Law School’s intellectual community. The speaker series, which is part of the school’s Law and Economics and Public Law Workshops, began this academic year, and the first conference is expected to be held in 2018.
Law School Women Earn Spots in Selective Leadership Program

By Jerry DeJaager

Four graduates of the Law School are among the 37 members of the 2017 class of the highly selective Leadership Greater Chicago Fellows Program. The 10-month program is widely regarded as the premier program engaging rising-star men and women with the civic issues shaping Chicago’s present and future.

The four Law School graduates are Katie Hill, ’07; Karen Schweickart, ’03; Kristen Seeger, ’02; and Asha Spencer, ’10. They were recommended and strongly supported by two previous LGC fellows, Michele Ilene Ruiz, ’94, and Alison Siegler, a clinical professor of law at the Law School. Now in its 34th year, the fellows program has convened more than a thousand racially and ethnically diverse participants from the private, nonprofit, and public sectors. Acceptance into the program is based on demonstrated leadership abilities and civic engagement, along with what the program describes as “the passion and drive needed to tackle major issues facing the Greater Chicago region.”

For a full day each month, LGC fellows learn from expert presenters about a crucial issue, such as education, healthcare, or crime.

“The learning is incredible,” Spencer said. “I grew up in Chicago and went to public schools here, and I follow local news quite closely, yet I have learned a vast amount at each session.”

Added Hill: “One of the most valuable parts of my Law School experience was the rigorous training in how to consider a broad range of perspectives and use them to tackle complex and thorny legal questions. I’m continuing to build on that and put those skills to use through my LGC experience, tackling some of the biggest challenges facing the region.”

Beyond the presenters’ content, the LGC fellows learn from each other as they work together to identify possible solutions for civic problems. “LGC is remarkably skillful at fostering open, constructive discussions among people with very different backgrounds, viewpoints, and experiences,” Seeger said. “It’s quite valuable to hear such a wide range of perspectives on these important issues.”

Schweickart cited another important broadening aspect of LGC participation: “Once you go to work at a particular place in a particular sector and you become really engaged with that work, your circle of acquaintances can narrow pretty substantially. LGC shows you many other points of view, ones that you might be missing. It takes you out of your comfort zone in very constructive ways.”

Scaling Up

In addition to preparing for and participating in the daylong issue-oriented sessions, LGC fellows also are expected to join in a substantial number of other activities that can include retreats, site visits, discussion groups, additional conversations with leaders and experts, out-of-area travel opportunities, service projects, and cultural and social events.

All of the Law School women in the LGC program have demanding jobs. When Hill began the program, she was a senior policy advisor to Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel; during the program she became director of policy, research and development for the Cook County State’s Attorney. Schweickart is deputy general counsel at Citadel LLC; Seeger is a partner at Sidley Austin LLP; and Spencer is a partner at Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP.

They have taken on additional civic responsibilities, too. Spencer is a trustee of Columbia College Chicago, and last year she chaired the Law School’s Law Firm Challenge; Seeger serves on the board of a community-based organization, Mujeres Latinas en Acción, and actively supports the work of Spark Ventures, a Chicago-based nonprofit focused on business-driven philanthropy; Hill serves on the Services Committee of Family Focus, and mentors elementary students in the Chicago Public Schools, helping them consider high school choices; and Schweickart is on the board of Urban Initiatives, a nonprofit that empowers Chicago youth to become agents of community change through sports-based programming.

Seeger said that a crucial lesson from the Law School helped her handle the responsibilities associated with participation in the Fellows program: “Like most of my peers, I’m working 60-hour weeks at my ‘real job,’ and doing other things, too. I knew how much busier it would make my life to do this, but there’s something very valuable you learn from being at the Law School—how to scale up when a situation calls for it.”

Ruiz, a 2006 LGC fellow who is now a member of LGC’s board of directors, remarked that the support she and Professor Siegler provided to the 2017 applicants is an important example of women going beyond mentoring to actively sponsoring opportunities for other women.

“These four women are all completely deserving of their places in this LGC class, and they wouldn’t be in it if they weren’t,” she said. “That Alison and I had Law School
connections to them that led us to recognize their abilities, encourage them to apply, and strongly endorse them probably didn’t hurt.”

Ruiz—who also sponsored Siegler for the 2013 LGC class after the two had met while on a federal judicial screening committee for Senator Dick Durbin—notes that she would not have attended the Law School at all if the Law Women’s Caucus had not contacted her while she was filling out law school applications and urged her to consider UChicago.

“I’m paying it forward for that amazing outreach that has meant so much to my career and my life,” Ruiz said. She serves on the advisory board of the Law School’s Women’s Mentoring Program, is a past member of the Visiting Committee, and co-chaired an annual fund campaign for the Law School. She is a partner at Sidley Austin LLP, which has been a strong supporter of the LGC program since the program’s inception.

Siegler observed that the Law School experience of the current LGC participants would have a salutary effect on the fellows’ discussions: “When looking for solutions to big civic issues like education and criminal justice, multiple factors have to be taken into account. A Chicago law student learns to recognize that almost any problem is a systems problem and ought to be approached in that way. Asha, Katie, Kristen, and Karen bring that kind of thinking to everything they do, and the class’s deliberations will benefit from it.”

**NOW AND NEXT**

LGC fellows typically form into a cohesive group that continues getting together regularly, long after the 10-month program has ended. The program also offers many events at which alumni participate. “The Fellows program lasts for a lifetime,” Ruiz said. “The relationships only become deeper over time, and the strong and reliable network keeps growing.”

Added Schweickart: “I feel honored and very fortunate to have been chosen, and thankful to Michele and Alison for their support. I’d do it again in a heartbeat.”
Inside the Minds of Rubenstein Scholars

Featuring the Class of 2017

Last fall, David M. Rubenstein, ’73, generously renewed his commitment to the University of Chicago Law School’s Rubenstein Scholars Program with a $13 million gift, which will provide 60 full-tuition scholarships and stipends for outstanding students in the classes of 2020, 2021, and 2022. “David’s inspiring gift has transformed the Law School,” said Dean Thomas J. Miles, the Clifton R. Musser Professor of Law and Economics. “His generosity makes it possible for some of our brightest applicants to receive the very best legal education—a University of Chicago legal education.”

The David M. Rubenstein Scholars Program was established in 2010 with an initial gift from Rubenstein, a University Trustee and the cofounder and co-CEO of The Carlyle Group. He renewed his commitment in 2013 and again in 2016 to fund an additional 120 three-year scholarships, ensuring that Rubenstein Scholars would account for approximately 10 percent of students at the Law School. The new gift brings Rubenstein’s support for the program to a total of $33 million since 2010.

The Rubenstein Scholars Program removes the burden of student-loan debt and opens up a wide range of professional opportunities for students, many of whom plan to pursue a career in public service upon graduation or in future years. The Class of 2017 included a record 24 Rubenstein Scholars. Immediately after graduation, 11 of those students will be working as law clerks for federal appellate court judges, six will be working as law clerks for federal district court judges, six will be working as associates at large law firms, and one will be working as a public defender.

Below are introductions to 16 Rubenstein Scholars from the Class of 2017. To read each of their responses in their entirety, visit www.law.uchicago.edu.

ADAM DAVIDSON
Undergraduate Institution: The Ohio State University
Hometown: Cincinnati, OH
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. James Gwin (US District Court, Northern District of Ohio); the Hon. Diane Wood (US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit); and the Hon. Guido Calabresi (US Court of Appeals, Second Circuit).

I was surprised at how willing Law School professors were to engage students both intellectually and personally outside of class.

I was involved in the Federal Criminal Justice Clinic and was amazed at the impact and complexity of the clinic’s work.

PHILIP EHRLICH
Undergraduate Institution: University of Chicago
Hometown: Lancaster, PA
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. Frank Easterbrook (US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit).

I love that the University of Chicago really is a place that cares about ideas. I also love the food at lunch talks.

The Rubenstein Scholarship will allow me to be more flexible in making career decisions and will let me pursue opportunities I care about.

CARMELO DOOLING
Undergraduate Institution: Arizona State University
Hometown: Glendale, AZ
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. G. Murray Snow (US District Court, District of Arizona).

If I could go back to the first day of Law School, I would tell myself to go to office hours more—you don’t need to ask a brilliant question. Just get to know the professors.

My favorite Law School memory is a tie between President Obama’s visit last year and winning the Law Review Whirlyball Cup, then celebrating in Wrigleyville the day after the Cubs’ win.

CHARLES EATON
Undergraduate Institution: Oakwood University
Hometown: Loma Linda, CA

I decided to study the law because I wanted to have a direct and positive impact among minority communities.

My favorite course at the Law School was Constitutional Law III with Professor Strauss.
JASMINE JOHNSON
Undergraduate Institution: University of Pittsburgh
Hometown: Fort Washington, MD
After Graduation: Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, New York office
I love the collegiality of my Law School classmates and how commonly the faculty interact with students outside of the classroom.

The Rubenstein Scholarship will allow me to pursue the career I am interested in while affording me the opportunity to help other minorities.

ELIZABETH KIERNAN
Undergraduate Institution: University of Alabama
Hometown: Metairie, LA
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. Jerry Smith (US Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit)
I decided to study law because I wanted a challenging career that would allow me to make a difference.

I love how involved Law School professors are with their students. Professors here know us both academically and personally.

MAX FIN
Undergraduate Institution: University of Florida
Hometown: Lynbrook, NY
After Graduation: Latham & Watkins, Houston office
My favorite course as a 1L was either Torts with Professor Levmore or Property with Professor Helmholz. Since then, Chancellor Chandler’s Delaware Law seminar emerged as another favorite.

I would like our alumni to know that academic rigor is alive and well at the Law School, but there remains a sense of collegiality and camaraderie that will stay with us forever.

JULIA HAINES
Undergraduate Institution: Grove City College
Hometown: Hockessin, DE
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. Thomas Griffith (US Court of Appeals, DC Circuit)
I was involved with the Federalist Society and the Edmund Burke Society. They challenged and formed my understanding of the law.

My favorite memory from Law School is ice skating with Professor Helmholz!

JONATHAN HAWLEY
Undergraduate Institution: Harvard University
Hometown: Oceanside, CA
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. Philip Gutierrez (US District Court, Central District of California) and the Hon. Milan Smith, ’69 (US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit)

I love the Law School’s professors. They are not only the brightest people I’ve ever met, but also some of the warmest and most inspiring.

If I could go back to the first day of Law School, I’d tell myself to enjoy every minute of it. There’s nothing better than debating high principles with your best friends.

ERIC LEWIN
Undergraduate Institution: Brown University
Hometown: Fair Haven, NJ
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. A. Raymond Randolph (US Court of Appeals, DC Circuit)
I’ve loved all of my classes so it is hard to pick only one, but Antitrust with Professor Picker was exceptionally fantastic.

It is a pleasure to be surrounded by brilliant people who constantly think critically about the law and are also great friends.

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Inside the Minds of Rubenstein Scholars

ANDREW MACKIE-MASON
Undergraduate Institution: University of Chicago
Hometown: Ann Arbor, MI
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. Judge Stephen Reinhardt (US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit)
In ten years, I hope to be a public defender and a zealous and effective advocate for my clients.
The Law School is a place where people with wildly different views can debate and come to understand each other, even if they never agree.

ALEXANDRA SCOTT
Undergraduate Institution: University of Chicago
Hometown: Laguna Niguel, CA
After Graduation: Covington and Burling, Silicon Valley office
I love that the Law School has taught me to be more tolerant of different ideas and people and has changed my way of thinking.
A favorite memory from the Law School are the classes after the 2016 election: a reminder that not only does the world keep turning, but that we can do something about it.

MICA MOORE
Undergraduate Institution: Columbia University
Hometown: Chicago
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. William A. Fletcher (US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit) and the Hon. Vince Chhabria (US District Court, Northern District of California)
If I could change one thing about the Law School? Soia Mentschikoff must be getting pretty lonely—she’s the only woman with a portrait in the main hallway.
The Law School has taught me the importance of practical thinking. Even the most complicated legal issue still happens in the real world, with real people.

LINDSAY STONE
Undergraduate Institution: University of Massachusetts Amherst
Hometown: Webster, MA
After Graduation: Working in the Office of the Colorado State Public Defender
I was involved with the Federal Criminal Justice Clinic, where I was able to directly represent clients and develop as an advocate.
I want alumni to know how crucial the law school’s clinical offerings have been to my legal education.

JOE WENNER
Undergraduate Institution: American University
Hometown: Radnor, PA
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. Sidney Fitzwater (US District Court, Northern District of Texas)
If I could go back to the first day of Law School, I would tell myself to show up early so you’re not stuck in the back row of Contracts.
The Rubenstein Scholarship is an incredible opportunity to pursue a public service career. It truly is a privilege; I plan to make it count.

HOLLY NEWELL
Undergraduate Institution: Washington University in St. Louis
Hometown: Davis, CA
After Graduation: Clerking for the Hon. Richard A. Paez (US Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit)
I was pleasantly surprised by how wonderful the UChicago Law community was—it’s been both an intellectually challenging and enjoyable three years.
It’s hard to pick just one course, but I really enjoyed both Copyright with Professor Picker and Patent Law with Professor Masur.

Allen M. Singer, ’48, a notable San Francisco lawyer, passed away May 10, 2016. He was 92 years old.

Singer served as an officer in the Army Air Force during World War II and had just completed his air crew training when the war ended in 1945. Afterward, he attended the Law School on the GI Bill. Even though he spent most of his career in San Francisco and elsewhere away from Chicago, Singer’s relationship with the Law School played a central role throughout his life.

“Allen’s whole connection with the Law School was extremely important to him,” said friend Bob Raymer, MBA ’43. “Serving as chairman of the Bay Area Alumni Club in the earlier years of its existence, Singer identified continuously with the University community and always had something to relate about Chicago Law.”

Raymer continued, “At that time the Law School was, as it is now, a very intense and interesting place. It was a leader in nontraditional legal education—economics, logic, philosophy, history, and other disciplines unique to usual legal studies; and even today, plainly different from other schools. That experience hit Allen pretty hard, and he never forgot about it.”

In 2013 Singer established the Allen M. Singer Scholarship Fund and the Allen M. Singer Professorship Fund through the largest bequest intention in the history of the Law School.

“Allen was a true champion of our school,” said Dean Thomas J. Miles, the Clifton R. Musser Professor of Law and Economics. “His continued support of the Law School throughout his career—and now through his generous bequest—is truly remarkable. I was lucky to have had the opportunity to meet Allen last winter and witness his genuine enthusiasm for the Law School. It spurred an inspiring and memorable conversation, for which I am grateful.”

Former Dean Michael H. Schill, the Harry N. Wyatt Professor Emeritus of Law and now the President of the University of Oregon, remembered Singer as “an incredibly dedicated graduate of the Law School.”

“He had a distinguished career, devoting himself very intensely to his law practice, and never forgot how the University of Chicago Law School contributed to his success,” Schill said. “In particular, he credited Edward Levi with influencing his intellectual growth. While I am saddened by his passing, Allen’s wonderful bequest will provide needed support for the school’s faculty and students and will ensure that future generations will benefit from the same experience Allen had.”

Singer was born on December 30, 1923, in Minneapolis to William Singer and Ida Simenstin Singer. He grew up in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and was an only child.

Upon graduation from the Law School, Singer practiced law at various firms in San Francisco. In 1958, he took time off from his own practice to continue his legal education. He earned an LLM degree from Harvard Law School and then spent several years as a faculty member at the University of Oregon Law School. He taught a variety of courses, and he was known to tap into his Law School roots and teach via the Socratic method.

When he later returned to San Francisco, he was a partner at the law firm of Erskine & Tulley. One of his clients was surrealist painter Gordon Onslow Ford. The two men established a lifelong friendship, which gave Allen a new appreciation for creativity and the arts. Art became an important part of Singer’s later life, and he built a fine collection of Onslow Ford’s works.

Soon thereafter, Singer left private practice to join San Francisco–based ABM Industries (formerly American Building Maintenance, Inc.) as vice president and general counsel. In 1962, Singer was instrumental in taking the company public. He loved his work there as it offered a wide variety of law practice.

“Allen was a key leader of a once-small community of Chicago graduates in San Francisco. He was warm, welcoming, dedicated, and unassuming,” said Roland E. Brandel, ’66, former president of the University of Chicago Alumni Club of the Bay Area. “Allen led projects, from fundraising to recruiting, in order to assist the University and also to integrate new Chicago arrivals to the Bay Area into the ex-pat UChicago community. His commitment to Chicago was infectious. Many of us followed where Allen led. The result: a strong, deep, supportive, and now large and vibrant alumni presence in the Bay Area that is an important part of Allen’s legacy.”

In his free time, Singer also loved to read and attend the San Francisco Symphony. He was also an avid Giants baseball fan, watching them on TV often.

“Allen was wonderfully farsighted,” Raymer said. “He continually sought to be an effective lawyer and at the same time to test the cutting edge of what was new or emerging in law practice—and in life. And he certainly did.”
Gareth Jones (Visiting Professor at the Law School)
April 2, 2016
Jones was a renowned legal academic, with a wide range of interests, including legal history, contract, property, and trusts. He studied law at University College of London, Cambridge, and Harvard. He began at Cambridge as a junior teaching fellow at Trinity in 1961 and continued there for the duration of his impressive career. He played important roles at Trinity, being appointed as Senior Tutor in 1972 and Vice Master from 1986 to 1992 and again from 1996 to 1999. His teaching, writing, and research were well recognized and received many formal distinctions. Jones was a fellow of the British Academy and a foreign member of the Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is, perhaps, best known for the book The Law of Restitution, which he cowrote with Robert Goff. Since being published in 1966, the book is seen as the definitive text on English restitution law.

1948
George J. Francis
September 6, 2016
Francis was a native of Denver, Colorado, who served in the US Army during World War II and was awarded the Purple Heart. After the war, he earned his undergraduate degree at the University before entering the Law School, where he served as assistant editor of the Law Review. He began his law career in New York City, then returned to Denver to establish a practice. He appeared three times before the US Supreme Court.

Lawrence Howe
July 31, 2016
Before he entered the Law School, Howe graduated from Harvard University and served as a US Navy pilot during World War II. His law career included stints as a partner at the firm now known as Vedder Price, as chief financial officer of Bell & Howell, and as vice chairman and chief financial officer of Jewel Companies.

Joseph E. Sheeks
January 10, 2014
Sheeks earned his JD after serving as a lieutenant commander in the US Navy during World War II, during which he survived the attack on Pearl Harbor. A resident of Petaluma, California, he practiced law in the San Francisco Bay area for more than five decades and served both as mayor of Mill Valley, California, and as a director of the Golden Gate Bridge District.

1949
Jerald E. Jackson
May 17, 2016
Jackson served as a first lieutenant in the US Army Air Corps from 1944 to 1946. He earned an undergraduate degree from Western Illinois University before enrolling in the Law School, from which he graduated cum laude and was awarded the Order of the Coif. He was a resident of Decatur, Illinois.

John J. Naughton
October 29, 2015
Naughton, of Oak Lawn, Illinois, served in both the US Army and the US Navy during World War II. After graduating from the Law School, he joined the Chicago firm of Henslee, Monek & Henslee, where during his five-decade career he became well known as an advocate for the rights of railroad workers and other transportation workers—in particular, unions’ rights to operate departments of legal counsel and to engage in group legal action. He argued hundreds of cases before state supreme courts and five cases before the US Supreme Court.

Milton Semer
July 27, 2016
Semer served as general counsel for the US Housing and Home Finance Agency. In 1966, he joined the White House staff as counsel to President Lyndon B. Johnson. In 1972, Semer’s involvement in the presidential campaign of Democratic Senator Edmund S. Muskie resulted in his being placed on Richard Nixon’s enemies list. Semer was also well known for representing US Rep. Fernand St. Germain, a Democrat from Rhode Island, during an ethics investigation by the Justice Department and the House ethics committee in the 1980s.

1950
Armand M. Coren
May 2016
Coren, a resident of Centennial, Colorado, served in the US Army during the Korean War.

Sherwin J. Stone
May 2, 2016
Stone, a resident of Highland Park, Illinois, earned his undergraduate degree at the University before entering the Law School. A senior partner at Altheimer & Gray in Chicago, he specialized in trial litigation and was a charter member of the Illinois Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Association. In 1991, he established the Braeside Foundation, an independent foundation that supports charities such as the ACLU Foundation, the American Indian College Fund, the AIDS Foundation of Chicago, and the American Jewish Committee.