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A [newsletter](#) for friends of the Indiana University School of Law—Bloomington • March/April 2006 (Vol. 4, No. 3)

Dear Friend:

By now, most of you have received Indiana Law's strategic plan, which focuses on increasing the School's national visibility.

Indiana Law was well represented on both coasts during the week of March 13-24. Deans **Len Fromm** and **Michael Keller** and faculty members **Sarah Hughes** and **Bill Weeks**, JD'79, accompanied about 20 students to Washington, D.C., on the annual spring break trip. Students interviewed with agencies and others, and met with alumni at a reception sponsored by Sutherland Asbill & Brennan. Many thanks to alumnae **Carol McClarnon**, JD'90, **Megan Stifel**, JD'04, and **Carmen Brun**, JD'05, of Sutherland!

I visited alumni in Phoenix ([pictures](#)), Salt Lake City ([pictures](#)), Los Angeles, and San Francisco with members of our admissions and alumni teams. Alumni generously gave time to talk to both current and admitted students about careers and the Law School. Many thanks to **Leroy Hofmann**, JD'58, and **Joe Brownlee**, JD'72, in Phoenix; **Nate Alder**, JD'95, and **Heidi Goebel**, JD'97, in Salt Lake City; **Cathy Conway**, JD'78, and **Jeff Riffer**, JD'78, in Los Angeles; and **Patrick Zika**, JD'73, in San Francisco. It was wonderful to see all of you who stopped by. Thank you to all of our dedicated alumni for their work with our current and future students.

Best wishes,

Lauren Robel, JD'83

Dean and Val Nolan Professor of Law

Neil Irwin, JD'71 with the world's largest guitar to be housed in a law firm.

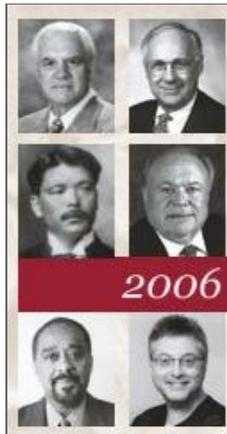
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Indiana Law Announces 2006 Academy of Law Alumni Fellows Inductees

The Indiana Law community congratulates the [2006 Academy of Law Alumni Fellows](#) for their outstanding achievements in the legal world and in the community at large. This year's fellows are **David G. Elmore**, JD'58, **Robert P. Kassing**, JD'64, **Masuji Miyakawa**, Class of 1905, **James G. Richmond**, JD'69, **Frank Seales Jr.**, JD'74, and **Michael E. Uslan**, JD'76. Induction into the Academy is the highest honor the School of Law bestows upon its graduates.



Elmore owns and chairs the Elmore Sports Group, one of the most successful conglomerates in the sports and entertainment industry. He also owns six minor league baseball and hockey teams in the western United States as well as several companies in industries that include travel, facilities management, special events management, and sports marketing.

Kassing has been a managing partner at Bose McKinney & Evans since 1969. When he joined Bose McKinney & Evans in 1964, he was one of only 10 attorneys. With 130 attorneys in Indianapolis and offices throughout Indiana and in Washington, D.C., the firm has grown considerably in size and reputation under Kassing's leadership.

One hundred one years ago, Miyakawa became the first Asian-American graduate of the School of Law. But that was not his only first. After earning his LLB in 1905, Miyakawa, who became a naturalized citizen of the United States during law school, also became the first Japanese American to be admitted to the bar in the United States.

Over the past 37 years, Richmond has developed a national reputation as a top federal prosecutor and corporate litigator. He has prosecuted a broad range of high-profile cases involving health care fraud, financial fraud, and white-collar crime. In 2002, Richmond joined the Chicago office of Greenberg Traurig in 2002.

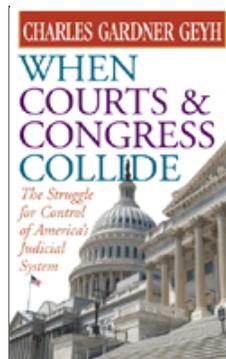
Seales is general counsel of the District Department of Transportation in Washington, D.C. As a senior executive in prominent legal and policy-making positions, Seales has made profound contributions to federal and state legislation and regulatory standards involving antitrust, consumer protection, and transportation.

President of Branded Entertainment, Uslan has produced the recent *Batman Begins* (2005) and previous *Batman* sequels, *Constantine*, the Emmy Award-winning *Where on Earth Is Carmen Sandiego?*, and the PBS miniseries *Three Sovereigns for Sarah*. He is the author of more than 30 books on the history of comics and rock-and-roll and a children's book.

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Congress and the Courts: Geyh's New Book Looks at Branches on Collision Course

Can our nation's judiciary remain independent, in light of the battle over judicial appointments? Professor **Charles Geyh** confronts that question in [When Courts and Congress Collide](#). His assessment finds the



balance between federal courts and congress is "governed by a 'dynamic equilibrium,' a constant give-and-take between Congress's desire to control the judiciary and its respect for historical norms of judicial independence." His work is widely praised as a fascinating, fresh take on the topic. William Sessions, former FBI Director and federal district judge, praises the Indiana Law professor for standing "at the forefront of a national campaign to protect and promote the vital role that strong and impartial courts play in protecting our rights." The book, published by University of Michigan Press, is available for purchase online and in bookstores nationwide.

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Eichorn, Shields to Receive IU's Distinguished Alumni Service Award

Fred Eichhorn, JD'57, and **V. Sue Shields**, LLB'61, are among five graduates to receive Indiana University's 2006 Distinguished Alumni Service Awards (DASA). The award, which is IU's highest accolade reserved solely for its alumni, provides recognition for outstanding career achievements and significant contributions benefitting the recipient's community, state, nation, or university. Eichorn and Shields join IU graduates George Taliaferro, Ronald Webb, and James Weigand as this year's DASA recipients. The ceremony will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 17, in the Alumni Room at the Indiana Memorial Union.

Eichhorn served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War. After earning his law degree, he joined his father's law firm in Gary, Ind., and became a partner in 1963. He served on the board of numerous civic organizations in northwest Indiana. He served as president of the Indiana State Bar Association, received the Chancellor's Medallion from IU Northwest, and is a member of the [Academy of Law Alumni Fellows](#). Eichhorn served as a member of the IU Board of Trustees for 15 years and was president from 2002 to 2005.

Shields was the first woman to be elected judge of a general jurisdiction trial court in Indiana, the first female judge in the Indiana Court of Appeals, and the first woman U.S. Magistrate Judge in Indiana. She has also been inducted into the [Academy of Law Alumni Fellows](#), the highest honor the Indiana Law bestows upon its graduates. Shields received two lifetime achievement awards from the Indianapolis Bar Association.

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Indiana Law Student Receives Prestigious Fellowship

Laura Koenig, 2L, is one of four IU graduate students to receive a \$17,500 John H. Edwards Fellowship. The fellowship allows IU to offer awards each year to outstanding young men and women who might otherwise find it impossible to continue with their education. Koenig, who plans to pursue a career in public interest, says the fellowship award makes that dream financially possible. "As most students do, I had to take out a lot of loans to go to law school. This fellowship will allow me to go into criminal prosecution or defense and eventually work on human rights issues," she said. "I will have more freedom to pursue my humanitarian goals with less of the stumbling blocks that other students might

encounter."

The award, which is one of the most prestigious awarded by Indiana University, is given to select students with superior scholastic ability and intellectual capacity, and good citizenship and character, including attitude toward Indiana University and community service as demonstrated by actual service. "Laura is that first-rate law student who came here with idealistic notions of what she would do with her law training and skills, and she has been unwavering in her goals," said Dean **Lauren Robel**, JD'83. "She is well regarded by her faculty as a creative thinker, researcher, and future doer in public interest advocacy. She clearly has a fierce and longstanding determination to meet the goals she has defined for herself. There is no one that I can remember at the Law School that fits the criteria of this Fellowship as well as Laura does. She is truly remarkable."

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Walda Named Head of Education Group

John Walda, JD'75, has been named president of the National Association of College and University Business Officers (NACUBO). Located in Washington, D.C., NACUBO serves a membership of more than 2,500 colleges, universities, and higher education service providers across the country.

Walda, an attorney and lobbyist with BoseTreacy Associates LLC in Indianapolis, was a Fort Wayne attorney when then-Governor Evan Bayh appointed him to the IU Board of Trustees in 1990. He remained on the board for 11 1/2 years, serving multiple terms as president. In 2002, he resigned from the board to become director of federal relations for IU. He later was vice president for federal relations. Walda left the university in 2004.

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A Call To Arms: Teb's Troops' First Annual Fundraiser Event

Teb's Troops, Inc., a non-profit founded by six Indiana Law alums, hosts its first annual benefit event on Saturday, April 29. Proceeds from the event go to organizations that support the treatment, prevention, and research of cancer, including melanoma.

Teb's Troops, Inc., was established in August 2005 by 2001 graduates **Tanya Bowman**, **Amy Campbell**, **Sarah Fischer**, **Jennifer Schoen Gilbert**, and **Nadine McSpadden**. The foundation honors their friend and classmate, **Tricia E. Black**, known as "Teb," who was diagnosed with stage IV metastatic melanoma in May 2005. Already, Teb's Troops is on its way to becoming an international organization with a network of more than 25,000 supporters spanning the globe. In 2005 alone, during its first five months in existence, Teb's Troops raised more than \$15,000 to direct toward the fight against cancer, including melanoma.

Teb herself will present the event's first donations in the amount of \$7,500 each to representatives from two selected organizations, CancerCare and the Melanoma Research Foundation. These monies fund melanoma education, screening, treatment, and treatment support programs.

Indiana Law is proud to be a platinum sponsor of this event. To be a part of the cause,

head to the Red Room in Indianapolis on Saturday, April 29 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tickets cost \$60 until April 23. Beginning April 24, prices increase to \$75. Admission includes an appetizer buffet, an open bar, and live entertainment. For more information on sponsorship or tickets, visit www.tebstroops.org.

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Heidt Says a Little Prayer; PILF Raises \$10,000



"This is a group participation song," said Professor **Bob Heidt**, smiling shyly through his beard and donning a blue feather boa and holding a mysterious paper bag. Dionne Warwick's tune, "I Say A Little Prayer," began to bop through the speakers, and the audience roared with laughter when he pulled a giant red lobster claw from the sack to emulate a scene from popular movie, *My Best Friend's Wedding*.

Heidt was the lucky—or unlucky—winner of this year's Singing for Summer Salaries competition. The annual event raises funds for Indiana Law student scholarships. The [Public Interest Law Foundation](#) offers monies to students spending the summer working for nonprofit organizations or action groups.

For two weeks, cash was deposited into jars bearing the names of professors and deans willing to stand up and sing. The final day of the collection, students, faculty, and staff poured into the Moot Court Room to make final bids until the professor garnering the most money—Heidt totaled more than \$1,800—croons for the crowd.

The competition heated up as chalkboard tallies climbed higher and higher. Contending professors with low totals dropped from the running. People dug for change or cash and scribbled IOUs and checks to up the ante. First went last year's winner **Charles Geyh**, then **David Williams**, **Luis Fuentes-Rowher**, and finally, **Joseph Hoffmann**.

Then, it was down to two. To the tune of karaoke classics like George Michael's "Gotta Have Faith" and Madonna's "Material Girl" playing in the background, high-rolling professors brought out the big guns. Professor **Seth Lahn** narrowly escaped, coming in only \$100 or so under Heidt.

Fortunately for Heidt, the audience chimed in for the chorus. Fortunately for scholarship students, Heidt was right. This event is all about group participation. With the School's matching donation, committee head **Katie McCauley** said the event's efforts will total some \$10,000 to top last year.

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International Scholars Gather for Globalization Symposium

Indiana Law held a symposium titled "[Globalization of the Legal Profession](#)" on April 6 in the Moot Court Room. According to Professor **Bill Henderson**, symposium organizer, much has been written on the process of globalization and its effects on international and individual state law. "The impact of globalization on the legal profession has received far less



systematic attention, despite a universal recognition that the practice of law and the economic and personal lives of lawyers may be on the brink of profound transformation," he said.

This unique symposium initiated dialogue about how globalization is fundamentally changing the work lives and professional opportunities of lawyers in the U.S. and abroad. Prominent figures in the global legal industry explored various interrelated themes on the issues facing the legal profession, including law firm strategy, the relevance of geography, the lawmaking role of transnational lawyers, and how cultural norms affect or shape our perceptions of ethical lawyering. The symposium included presentations of scholarly papers and responses by symposium participants.

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Where's the Data: Conference Focuses on Environmental Data Gaps

A conference, titled "[Missing Information: Environmental Data Gaps in Conservation and Chemical Regulation](#)," was held March 24 at the Law School. Participants explored two familiar but infrequently analyzed aspects of environmental regulation: the needs for scientific information that are created and satisfied by regulatory systems, and the disjunction between the regulatory systems for the chemical and conservation areas of environmental law. The continuing existence of a severe data gap between the scientific information required for effective regulation and the information available to regulators and the public invites valuable discussion. Participants worked to uncover the causes and extent of the respective data gap, to study in a concrete setting the differences between chemical and conservation regulatory regimes, and to use insights from each area to improve regulation in both.

Established experts in the conservation and chemical areas of environmental regulation gathered in a workshop setting to discuss commonalities among their respective areas and proposed regulatory reforms. "The production and use of information is fundamental to environmental regulation, or to any other regulatory system," said Executive Associate Dean **John Applegate**. "Our goal with this conference was to have a robust exchange in a workshop setting between lawyers and scientists, and between those who specialize in conservation and in chemical regulation, about the information problems that they confront. I think that the participants left feeling that they had heard and discussed important new perspectives on these issues. We look forward to publishing the papers that will result from this workshop."

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2006 Sherman Minton Moot Court Competition Winners



Congratulations to 3L students **Shana Stump** and **Adam Christensen**, 2005-06 Sherman Minton Moot Court Competition winners. The final argument, seen by a packed house, marked the culmination of five rounds of oral and written competition beginning in September 2005 with a pool of 138 initial participants. Judges praised Stump and Christensen for their clear and coolheaded understanding of the hypothetical problem, *United States of America v. Josef C. Kasza*. The distinguished panel also noted the skills of

finalists **Mark Kelly Leeman**, 2L, and **Christopher Smith**, 3L. The sophistication and timeliness of the student-written problem—a matter involving illegal aliens and the Fourth Amendment—warranted additional praise from the panel.

Each year, esteemed judges and accomplished attorneys donate time to hear arguments. This year's distinguished panel of judges included Judge Diane P. Wood of the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, Judge James G. Carr, chief judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Ohio, and Judge Edward Najam Jr., a member of the Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure and Judicial Liason to the Indiana Counter-terrorism and Security Council. The panel also included Indiana Law alumni **Thomas M. Fisher**, JD'94, Indiana Solicitor General, and **Gregory Castanias**, JD'90, a partner at Jones Day in Washington, D.C.

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Alumni Argue, Classes Discuss Indiana Court of Appeals Visit

Indiana Law welcomed the Indiana Court of Appeals to the School's Moot Court Room in early March to hear arguments in the case of *Kondra v. Charter One Mortgage Corporation*. Though the Court typically visits Indiana Law each year, special circumstances added value for student spectators.

Two of the attorneys and two judges boast ties to Indiana Law. "The last time I was here I was arguing for a grade," **Scott Gilchrist**, JD'92, joked as he closed up arguments before the judges.

Gilchrist argued for appellee Kyle Kondra and **Shelese Woods**, JD'98, for amicus U.S. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency. Presiding judges included Judge Edward W. Najam, Jr. and alumnus Judge **John G. Baker**, JD'71. Najam recently served as a judge for the annual Sherman Minton Moot Court Competition.

While Gilchrist may not have argued for a grade, first-year Legal Research and Writing students really did have stake in the case. Professor Sophia Goodman incorporated the trial into classroom discussion, allowing students to see practical application of skills such as writing trial and appellate briefs and giving oral arguments.

"I asked them to read both sides like a busy judge might," Goodman said. "It's really valuable for them to see it and know about the case beforehand. Then the judges ask a question, and students can think, 'How would I answer that?'" All 1L students were required to attend the event. Goodman said the Appeals hearing was especially relevant this year because it incorporated many of the issues law students encounter in the first year from constitutional law and torts.

The case began as a class action complaint against Charter One alleging that a document preparation fee charged was in violation of Indiana's laws. After a trial court denied Charter One's motion to dismiss, the corporation contended, claiming that state law is preempted by the National Bank Act. The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency filed an amicus brief in support of Charter One.

Following the hearing, judges and lawyers stayed on to talk about career paths and answer questions about the profession. Goodman says she is hopeful the Court will rule quickly so that the conclusion can be fodder for more in-class dialogue. Positive feedback so far

means she'll be connecting next fall's classes to the same types of cases.

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Alumna Accepts Award for Alaskan Museum's Community Service

In January, **Heather Beggs**, JD'01, director of the Pratt Museum in Homer, Alaska, attended a White House ceremony to receive the 2005 National Award for Museum Service, the country's highest honor for extraordinary community service provided by a museum. Awards were presented to three museums and three libraries nationally for their service to community. The awards recognize the powerful role of museums and libraries in society and the winners' outstanding social, educational, environmental, or economic contributions to their respective communities.



The Pratt Museum is a community museum that focuses on the art, science, and culture of the Kachemak Bay region of Alaska. The museum employs an innovative model of exhibit and program development that gives voice to community and celebrates the area's rich traditions, cultures, and ecological diversity. Beggs has directed the museum since 2003.

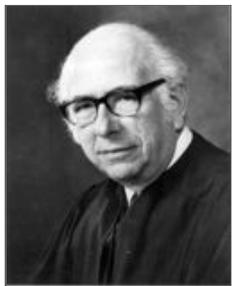
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Indiana Law Student Presents Paper at Yale Conference

Judith Welling, 3L, was one of a select group invited to present her paper, "Sudan: Seeking The Benefits Of Globalization," at the *Yale Journal of International Law* Young Scholar's Conference held March 4, 2006, at the Yale Law School in New Haven, Conn. The keynote speaker for this year's conference was William H. Taft IV, former U.S. permanent representative to NATO, General-Counsel to the Department of Defense, and legal advisor to the U.S. Department of State. In addition, Harold Koh, dean of the Yale Law School and Smith Professor of International Law opened the conference. The panels were moderated by international law scholars, who provided substantive feedback on the panel presentations. The [Indiana Journal of Global Legal Studies](#) will publish an award-winning note by Welling in Volume 13, Issue 2.

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Judge Dillin Leaves Legal Legacy



Judges and lawyers in the federal bar are already finding ways to honor the legacy of former U.S. District Court Judge **S. Hugh Dillin**, who graduated from the Law School in 1938. He died on March 13 at the age of 91. Dillin served the judiciary and the bar with distinction as a district judge for more than 40 years. He was appointed to the federal bench by President John F. Kennedy on Sept. 22, 1961, after a distinguished career as a trial lawyer. He served as Chief Judge from 1982 to 1984 and took senior status in 1993. His appointment followed a distinguished career as a trial lawyer and state legislative leader. Through age 87, Dillin continued to preside at trials and carry an active caseload.

Dillin embarked on his legal career in 1938, entering into practice with his father in Petersburg, Ind. He continued with the partnership until his appointment to the federal bench. Dillin was first elected to the Indiana House of Representatives in 1936, at the age of 22. He was twice reelected to the House, and served as Secretary and Hearing Examiner of the Public Service Commission of Indiana, resigning to volunteer for service in the Army during World War II. He later returned to Indiana and eventually served as Democratic minority leader in the House in 1951 and 1952. In 1958, he was elected to the Indiana Senate, where, in 1961, he was both majority leader and President Pro Tem. Dillin served as a leader in the federal judiciary, having been elected a member of the Judicial Conference of the United States for the years 1979 to 1982. He was appointed by the Chief Justice of the United States to serve on the highly influential and respected Executive Committee of the Judicial Conference of the United States from 1980 to 1982, and, for nearly 10 years, was a member of the national Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. He was probably best known in Indiana for his decisions requiring the desegregation of public schools in Indianapolis and Evansville, the two largest cities in the Southern District.

Dillin is preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Mary Eloise Humphreys Dillin, and a daughter, Diane. He is survived by daughter Dr. Patricia (Dillin) Wright, son-in-law Peter Wright, granddaughters Sasha and Lila, and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

Donations in Dillin's honor should be sent to the S.E. and S.H. Dillin Scholarship, Indiana University School of Law, Bloomington, Arthur M. Lotz Office of Alumni and Development, 211 South Indiana Avenue, Bloomington, IN 47405.

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Alumna Robinson Named One of Magazine's Top 50 In-House Counsel

Laurie Robinson, JD'98, Assistant General Counsel for CBS Broadcasting Inc., was named by *InsideCounsel* magazine as one of the 50 most influential in-house counsel in North America. Although she has yet to ascend to the GC throne, Robinson has been making waves in the in-house bar as the founder and CEO of Corporate Counsel Women of Color. The non-profit network for in-house attorneys has attracted more than 1,000 members. She is a published writer on employment law issues and has made presentations for the ABA, MCCA, and National Bar Association.



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Legal Aid Harbors New Meaning for Student Volunteers

Four Indiana Law students spent their spring break vacation putting legal knowledge to work for Hurricane Katrina victims in Gulfport, Miss. First-year students **Jen Nagourney**, **Erin Hittinger**, and **Ken Bach**, and 3L **Terry Record** worked at the Mississippi Center for Justice to educate and enable residents to overcome legal messes left in the storm's wake. The trip was part of a larger effort organized by the Student Hurricane Network (SHN), a national student-led association dedicated to assisting communities affected by Katrina and Rita.



Projects ranged from monitoring eviction notices at courthouses and authoring FEMA claims appeals to compiling neighborhood histories that could qualify areas for federal preservation assistance. The skills honed at Indiana Law were about more than legal know-how. The listening, problem analysis, and explaining solutions clearly and concisely that students do daily in Bloomington proved invaluable.

Nagourney and fellow travelers say they experienced unbridled gratitude from Gulfport residents—who even stopped team members on the street to say their prayers had been answered. The students' contributions were featured in an article titled, "Legal aides," which appeared in the *SunHerald*, a South Mississippi newspaper.

"We gained so much insight into the legal system and met so many lawyers, historians, and scholars from all over the country who are working to help survivors through grants and other funding," said Nagourney. "Law really can be a positive force. We saw it in action."

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Student Work Benefits Indiana Arts Community

Adjunct professor **Robert Meitus**, JD'00, is immersing Indiana Law students in the dealings of entertainment and intellectual property law through his course entitled "IP Practicum: Legal Issues of the Music Industry." His class is acting as a legal team to help Traditional Arts Indiana (TAI) develop contracts and deal with music licensing as an innovative CD project comes to fruition.

The pro bono effort is in line with Indiana Law's commitment to public service, and the support serves grant-funded project, TAI—a joint venture of the Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) and Indiana University—promotes the identification, documentation, and presentation of folk and traditional arts. The CD is produced in conjunction with the Indiana Instruments Project. From drums, tamburitzas and kannels to fiddles and guitars, Indiana boasts a bold history of instrument making, and the musical compilation will highlight and document these rich traditions.

In addition to his work as an adjunct professor at Indiana Law, Meitus practices as partner at Meitus Gelbert Rose LLP in Indianapolis. He specializes in the areas of entertainment, copyright, trademark, privacy, advertising, and Internet law. He represents a wide range of individual and corporate clients, including musicians and record labels, writers and publishers, filmmakers and production companies, and many other entities.

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Alumni Weekend and Reunions: Save the Date

Save the date for the 2006 Alumni Weekend, which will be held Sept. 29 and 30 at the Law School. Featured events include the Distinguished Service Awards ceremony, reunions for the classes of 1956 and 1965 and others based on interest, the Black Law Student Association (BLSA) alumni board meeting, and the grand opening of the Environmental Law Clinic where former Indiana Law Professor Richard Lazarus will be the guest speaker. More information will be forthcoming.

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Please make your donation to the [Fund for Excellence](#) today. Your gift will help the Law School enhance its mission-critical programs ranging from law journals to moot court to faculty research to clinics and centers. Your support, in any amount, is critical to the success of the school. You will be recognized for your generosity along with your classmates in the next Dean's Report if you make your donation before June 30, 2006.

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Recent Faculty Media Hits

- Professor [Fred H. Cate](#) was quoted in an Associated Press article "A more open door: Indiana bucks trend," which appeared in the [Bloomington Herald-Times](#) and the [Fort Wayne Journal Gazette](#). He was also quoted in an Associated Press article "Analysis: States steadily restricting info," which appeared in news outlets across the country, including the [Boston Globe](#), [Bloomington Herald-Times](#), [Seattle Post-Intelligencer](#), [Dayton Daily News](#), [Washington Post](#), [Waco Tribune](#), and [CBS News](#).
- Professor [Charles Geyh](#) was quoted in "[Circuit court judge withdraws re-election bid](#)," *Eugene Register-Guard*.
- Professor [William Henderson](#) was quoted in "[Taking it down a notch](#)," *ABA Journal*.
- Professor [Joseph Hoffmann](#) was quoted in "[Up in Smoke: Court upholds cigar-smuggling conviction of lawyer whose ex-wife helped feds](#)," *ABA Journal*.
- Professor [Dawn Johnsen](#) was featured in "Choosing her battles," *Indianapolis Monthly*; she was also quoted in "[Bradbury latest to land in DOJ hot seat](#)," *Legal Times*.
- Professor [Leandra Lederman](#) was quoted in "[The cheat is on](#)," *Indy Men's Magazine*.
- Assistant Dean [Dennis Long](#) was quoted in "[Contract conflict not unusual](#)," *Bedford Times-Mail*.
- Professor [Alex Tanford](#) was quoted in "Wine-shipping case spills into fee dispute," which appeared in the [Sacramento Bee](#) and the [Detroit News](#); he was also quoted in "[Money fight follows wine victory](#)," which appeared in the *The Sacramento Bee*.

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