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N ext month, Cumberland School of Law and the American College of Trial Lawyers will present the third bi-annual Jere F. White Jr. Trial Advocacy Institute. Having attended past institutes, I can honestly say that no one engaged in trial work should miss it. It is at once one of the most educational, inspiring and enjoyable continuing education programs I have witnessed. The institute features some of the best trial lawyers in the country, demonstrating and providing insights about all phases of trial practice. In addition, the keynote luncheon speaker this year is Fred Gray, the legendary civil rights lawyer who represented, among others, Rosa Parks and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and who is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Proceeds from the institute fund the Jere F. White Jr. Fellows program. The fellows program, which was established by Jere and Lyda White, is one of the premier law school scholarships in the country. It provides not only a full, three-year tuition scholarship to Cumberland but also an annual stipend, tuition and lodging at Cumberland’s summer study abroad program in Cambridge, England, and opportunities to participate in a variety of academic programs. It is not just an academic scholarship, though. It perpetuates Jere’s legacy by identifying and supporting the education of future lawyers who not only have outstanding academic credentials but also display promise of impactful future service to their communities as demonstrated by an already extraordinary record of service.

Cumberland is deeply grateful to the generous firms that support the institute, the gifted lawyers who participate on the institute’s faculty and the institute’s tireless planning chairmen. I hope to see you at this year’s institute on Nov. 11. We expect the institute to sell out again, so I encourage you to register today if you have not already done so.

Dean Henry “Corky” Strickland III
MCCARTHY INSPIRES LAW GRADUATES WITH STORYTELLING

Graduates of Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law were encouraged to look beyond themselves, to focus on serving others and to be persistent in pursuing their goals during the law school’s commencement ceremony on Friday, May 13 in Samford’s Wright Center.

Terry McCarthy, adjunct professor and partner at Lightfoot, Franklin & White, LLC, was chosen by the graduating class to deliver their commencement address.

“I just love a good story,” McCarthy began, “so I’m going to share three stories with you that have inspired me and changed my life.”

The first story was about Albert Alex, a race horse that won the Preakness Stakes, Belmont Stakes and nearly won the Kentucky Derby. More importantly, though, Albert Alex’s owners helped to raise millions of dollars for pediatric cancer research by using his spotlight to raise money for other kids with cancer. In Alex’s dark times, she was not thinking of others and to be persistent in pursuing their goals during the law school’s commencement ceremony on Friday, May 13 in Samford’s Wright Center.

The second story was about McCarthy’s friend and colleague, Jere White, who died of cancer in October 2011 at age 56. White was a Cumberland graduate and founding partner of Lightfoot, Franklin & White, LLC. “He was also the greatest trial lawyer I have ever seen,” added McCarthy, “and one of the finest people I have ever met.”

Prior to his death, White established the Jere F. White Jr. Awards program at Cumberland School of Law, which is awarded to one entering student per year. The first recipient of the prestigious fellowship, Caroline Collins Muse, is a 2016 graduate of the law school and was in the audience. Also in the audience was 2016 graduate J.D. Marsh, whose father, David Marsh, was on the opposite side of White in many big cases. “Jere and David fought hard against each other in the courtroom,” explained McCarthy, “but they didn’t hate each other. Instead of ways you can give back to Cumberland and to others.”

The third story was the story of the Class of 2016. McCarthy noted, “First, the law is an adversarial profession, but you can still like and even love your opponent and reach the top at the same time.”

“Dr. Suess once said: ‘sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory,’ but I valued my time with you every single day.”

“All teasing aside,” McCarthy continued, “this graduating class includes brilliant litigators, gifted athletes, individuals committed to serving the community and a group that has survived ‘Snowmageddon’ and celebrated ‘Rascal.’ Most importantly, though, you have formed a bond that will last for years to come.”

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Alden Yendt of Birmingham (see story on page 4)."
Stewart Alvis and his mother, LaBella Alvis ’84  
(not pictured is father K. Rick Alvis ’84)  

Elise McFall and her father, Mark McFall ’88  
(not pictured is fiancé Matthew Hoyle ’16)  

Rachel Cobble and her father, Crockett Cobble ’84  

Spencer Walker and his father, Claude Walker ’85  

Carlton Johnson III and his father, Carlton Johnson Jr. ’86  

Chase Eley and his father, Michael Eley ’81  
(not pictured is brother Landon Eley ’13)  

Mallory Bennett and her father, Jim Bennett ’87  

Caroline M. Collins and her father, Kevin Collins ’85  

Tyler Conger and his father, James “Hilton” Conger ’72  

Austin Nichols and her mother, Jennifer Nichols ’88  

CLASS OF 2016 LEGACY
Hogewood Named Director of New Academic Support Program

This fall, Lynn Hogewood assumes a new role as the first director of a new Academic Support Program at the law school. The purpose of the Academic Support Program is to assist students in becoming successful in their legal studies and to help students make a successful transition from the bar exam into their careers. The Academic Support Program includes programs, mentoring and tutoring for all students, but especially focuses on entering first-year students and students struggling with academic performance.

Under former Dean John L. Carroll, Hogewood had the opportunity to examine and explore similar academic support programs in other law schools around the country. Now, under current Dean Henry C. Strickland III, Hogewood has the opportunity to incorporate such a program at Cumberland.

Hogewood will provide individual guidance and support for students with regard to study habits, reasoning skills, bar exam preparation and general life skills. Hogewood also will coordinate with offerings in other departments in the law school and with individual faculty members to evaluate and assess the evolving needs of the students. Additionally, she will incorporate strategies to help students be successful.

"Professor Hogewood's connection to Cumberland as an undergraduate and to Cumberland through her legal education, coupled with her experience teaching these past nine years, have provided her with a deep perspective of and direct connection to Cumberland, its students, faculty and staff. She has watched and engaged with the students and understands their strengths, weaknesses and needs. All of these attributes make her a perfect fit for her new role as director of Academic Support," said Strickland.

Hogewood earned her undergraduate degree from Samford University and her J.D. from Cumberland School of Law. She has been a licensed attorney in the state of Alabama since September 2003. Professor Belle Stoddard has been a long-time teacher and mentor to Hogewood.

In fall 2007, Stoddard gave Hogewood the opportunity to become an instructor at Cumberland, teaching Lawyering and Legal Reasoning (LLR). Hogewood continues to teach LLR and now also teaches nonprofits, Governance and Policy. She also taught the Legal Process and Public Law Process courses to entering first-year students this past summer. Hogewood has a love for learning herself and is an advocate for education. She recognizes that support for academic success comes in a wide variety of ways and is prepared to help Cumberland students be successful, achieve their best and make a positive difference in the world with their degrees from Cumberland. In addition to her passion for the success of Cumberland students, Hogewood treasures her role as mom to two daughters, three Labrador retrievers and two kittens. She is a certified yoga teacher and enjoys practicing and teaching yoga and meditation, as well as volunteering for a number of organizations (including her daughters’ schools) and spending time with friends.

Law School to Offer Paralegal Studies Minor for Undergraduate Students

This spring, Cumberland School of Law will offer a minor in paralegal studies to Samford University’s undergraduate students. The new program option, which was recently approved by the American Bar Association (ABA), is in addition to the ABA-approved Paralegal Studies Certificate offered to students who have already received a degree. The 22-credit-hour curriculum will focus on the development of legal knowledge and practical skills in a variety of legal practice areas.

"This new minor provides Samford undergraduates great value and flexibility. They can complete their undergraduate degree in the field of their choice and at the same time prepare for a career as a paralegal," said Cumberland School of Law Dean Henry C. Strickland III. "It will allow students to explore the law if they are interested in law school. It will also make them highly marketable as they enter today’s competitive job market."

Samford University was initially approved by the ABA to provide paralegal education in 1978, making the Paralegal Studies Certificate program the oldest such program in the state of Alabama. The minor in paralegal studies is a natural extension of the certificate program, said Dawn Smith Carre, director of paralegal studies.

"With the projected growth of the paralegal profession, the paralegal minor will work in conjunction with the certificate program to meet the expanding needs of the legal market for quality paralegal support," said Smith Carre.

Career Development Office Introduces New Program for First-Year Law Students

This fall, Cumberland's Career Development Office introduced a new program for first-year law students called Professional Foundations. The program is a series of interactive classroom and career counseling sessions designed to prepare first-year law students for the challenges of the legal job market. Students attended two classroom sessions during the first two weeks of law school to learn about resume writing, interviewing, job searching, marketing themselves, and ways to assess their strengths and weaknesses. Students develop a quality professional portfolio of documents, such as a resume and cover letter, as well as "employer proof" social media accounts. In October, students participated in mock interviews where they met more attorneys and had an opportunity to fine tune their interviewing skills. During winter break, students will seek out informational interviews with attorneys to help them network and interact with local attorneys.

Each lawyering and Legal Reasoning (LLR) section will have two Career Development Advisory Board members assigned to them. Students will work in small pods with peer leaders to help them grow professionally. The Career Development Office staff coach students in both one-on-one and small group meetings.

Professional Foundations utilizes two primary tools: a professional development binder and a "My Law Plan" workbook. The binder contains forms that allow students to better track their meetings with the Career Development Office, attorneys and faculty members. Other forms help students track networking events, involvement in student organizations and other crucial mile markers needed to grow professionally. The binders provide a snapshot of where a student is in his or her professional career; that career begins on the first day of law school.

"My Law Plan" enables students to view their professional progression as they work toward career goals. The workbook helps the transition from student to professional by creating a business plan and strategy for accomplishing goals. Although students’ goals can (and probably will) change, they are encouraged, and equipped, to adapt their planning accordingly.

"We are confident this program can give Cumberland students an all-important edge when competing for scarce legal jobs," says Allen Howell, associate director of career development and director of reporting and outreach. "We also hope the changes will help students to better focus on their first-year course work, since the new program will allow us to reach students much earlier in the semester so they have quality resumes, clean social media profiles and are interview ready by the time they start competing for jobs."
UEA Program Celebrates 10TH ANNIVERSARY

This year Cumberland School of Law celebrated the 10th anniversary of its exchange program with the University of East Anglia (UEA) in Norwich, England. Professor Bo Cole initiated the exchange program with UEA through a Memorandum of Agreement in March 2005, and the first students attended Cumberland in fall 2006.

Over the last 10 years, Cumberland has been host to 36 exchange students from UEA. These students from England, Wales, Ireland and even Thailand, have enriched the classroom experience of many American students who might never have the opportunity to travel to other countries. Many of our American students have developed close relationships that have continued throughout the years.

As a part of the exchange agreement, UEA provides a limited number of scholarships for Cumberland students who wish to participate in their LL.M. program after graduation. Thus far, UEA has hosted 18 Cumberland students.

During a dinner in London’s Lutyens Restaurant, some of the students who studied in each of these programs had the opportunity to reminisce with other students and the administrators who have facilitated the experience.

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Cassandra Adams, director of Cumberland’s Public Interest Program and Community Mediation Center, was honored with the Volunteer Lawyer’s Program Mediation Award during the Alabama State Bar annual meeting. Due to her efforts, more than 180 hours of pro bono mediation assistance were provided last year.

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Alumni Honored During Reunion Weekend

Cumberland School of Law recognized four alumni for special distinction during the law school’s annual reunion activities April 8–9. Honorees included Richard H. Knight and Linda W. Knight ’76, Distinguished Alumni of the Year; Woodrow N. Hartzog ’03, Young Alumnus of the Year; and Sara L. Williams ’06, Volunteer of the Year. They were honored at a reception on Friday, April 8. Dean Henry C. Strickland III presented the awards.

Alumni Reunion Weekend 2016

The historic Florentine Building in downtown Birmingham, Alabama, was the site of the 2016 alumni reunion reception. Guests loved the change in venue, and many walked from the hotels in which they were staying. While Cumberland graduates from all classes were invited and attended, classes who graduated in years ending in one and six were celebrated. In addition to recognizing four alumni award winners, those who participated on the National Trial Team while they were in law school were also recognized.

The 2017 reunion reception will be held at the Florentine once again on April 7. Make plans to attend today!

Some say “change is inevitable” or “change is good.” Does progress require change? Can progress be progress without change?

Seasons change; we change homes, addresses, jobs and perspective. Our preferences change; routines change; careers change. Is change inevitable for everyone? Some may assert it is not inevitable, but simply probable. The popular definition of change is “to make or become different.” This definition alone is neither positive nor negative. Notwithstanding, I choose to view “change” as a positive verb or noun and assert that change is good—a very good thing!

Change can be a basis for opportunity. In fact, almost each successful and happy alumnus I meet reflects positively regarding change he or she experienced throughout his or her career. I’d like recent graduates and other young alumni who are seeking new employment or settling in with new employers to understand that changes aren’t to be feared, but rather embraced, knowing that opportunity exists with change.

Each year brings new and continuous change at your law school. Over the last few years, as applications for admission to law schools decreased nationwide, we changed our recruiting tactics to successfully meet goals. As the legal job market changes, we adapt our career development programs to meet demands and educate our students about niche practices, nontraditional practices and geographical markets seeking qualified lawyers. As faculty retire, we add new. This summer, Professor LaVone Warren retired, and this fall we welcome visiting professor Tracey Roberts, who is teaching tax and property law. Lynn Hogewood is directing our new academic support program, and we welcome Brian Noble ’10 and Robin Andrews ’91 as Lawyering and Legal Reasoning instructors. Their collective and recent practical experience will truly benefit our 1Ls.

We had a change in the Office of Alumni Relations this year. After almost 30 years of working in higher education, the last seven at Cumberland School of Law, Connie Cox, our program assistant, retired. Connie thoroughly enjoyed getting to know both students and alumni. In July, we welcomed Laura Patterson to the office as our new program assistant. No stranger to the law school, Laura previously worked in the Office of Law Student Records. She looks forward to getting to know you all.

Has your career changed? Have you moved? Have you changed jobs, cities or professional focus? Let me know—I’d love to hear about your recent changes. If appropriate, we will include the information in Class Notes.

Finally, make plans to reconnect with your law school classmates and join us during Alumni Reunion Weekend in April 2017. All alumni are invited to the annual reunion reception on April 7, 2017. An open house will be held the next day, Saturday, April 8, and individual class reunion parties, for class years ending in a seven or two, will be held that evening. Make hotel reservations at a discounted rate at the newly renovated Redmont Hotel, now a Curio by Hilton property, just a few blocks from The Florentine (a change). I look forward to seeing you!

Be the change you wish to see, Anne
SWITCH HITTERS:
Law Students Who Excel in Athletics as Well as Academics

BIANCA SVENSSON
Hometown: Atlanta, Georgia
Sport played and undergraduate institution: Tennis, University of Alabama

Tell us about your college athletic career.
I chose Alabama because of the incredible atmosphere that surrounds Alabama athletics. The facilities are first class, the resources are astounding and the people are incredible. The coaching staff I played for cared a lot about winning, but did not have a win-at-all-costs attitude. Coach Mains cared about developing the full person and that was evident from the first time I met her. Off the courts we were a family (and still are) but on the courts we were fiercely competitive. We may not have been the most talented team in the country, but we prided ourselves on outworking everyone. Throughout my career at Alabama, I played singles and doubles for three years, helping Alabama to a #16 national ranking. Unfortunately my tennis career was cut short when I underwent career-ending wrist surgery in the fall of my senior year. I became a student assistant coach during that time and continued to help Alabama tennis climb the ranks before graduating and moving on to a four-year career as a collegiate tennis coach before attending Cumberland.

Do you feel that being an athlete during your undergraduate years helped prepare you for law school in any way?
Being a collegiate athlete shaped many traits and qualities that have helped me become successful in law school. Time management is something I had to master as an undergraduate. The ability to compete for your school, attend classes, get your school work done and enjoy other aspects of collegiate life required me to be very efficient in every part of my life. That skill has helped me throughout law school but especially this past year. Required me to be very efficient in every part of my life. That skill has helped me throughout law school but especially this past year. The ability to compete for your school, attend classes, get your school work done and enjoy other aspects of collegiate life.

What was your most memorable experience as a college athlete, and so far as a law student?
My most memorable experience as a college athlete was clinching the doubles point against UGA who was ranked #1 in the country at the time. My most memorable experience as a law student was advancing to the quarterfinals of the South Texas Mock Trial Competition with Curtis Seal and Drew Panella (we were the only team in the field of 30 teams comprised of all 2Ls) and being honored as the Outstanding Advocate for the competition.

MICAH MCKINNEY
Hometown: Birmingham, Alabama
Sport and Undergraduate Institution: Basketball, Jefferson Davis Community College and Stillman College

Tell us about your college athletic career.
I started out as a shooting guard my first year at Jefferson Davis Community College and my first year at Stillman College. While at Stillman, I was selected to the SAC Commissioner’s All-Academic Team and played a summer in the Dominican Republic for American International Sports Tours. During my collegiate career my team counted on me to knock down threes and play solid defense. Our record, at both schools, was not that good, but it was fun to be able to compete against other great athletes.

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KATIE HILYER
Hometown: Clanton, Alabama
Sport and Undergraduate Institution: Crimsonsote, University of Alabama

Tell us about your college athletic career.
I started twirling baton when I was four years old. My mom, Elizabeth Hilyer Ginsburg ’98, was head majorette at Troy University, so I had no choice but to learn to twirl! I always enjoyed it, but when I saw the Crimsonsote, I knew I just HAD to be one of them. So, I tried out to be a Crimsonsote before my freshman year in April 2010. I was one of five lucky girls to be picked for the 2010–11 season. Tryouts are all about showmanship and showing off your technical twirling skills. For those who say twirling isn’t a sport—you have obviously never tried it! We practiced every day from 3–5:30 a.m. with the band, plus additional practice time after that if needed. I’ll never forget those long practices when everyone had been standing on their feet for up to 10 hours twirling and learning routines for the game the next day. It was an endurance sport for sure. I had to keep up both mentally and physically. Another aspect that many sports don’t have is the appearance aspect. I had to train like an athlete in order to look like one in that sparkly sequin bikini. On game day, I knew everyone just sees sparkly outfits and teased hair, but the work that goes into it behind the scenes isn’t always pretty. It is actually incredibly challenging.

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Do you feel that being an athlete during your undergraduate years helped to prepare you for law school in any way? Yes! I learned how to structure my life to make sure I was on top of my game. I was an Alpha Chi Omega and had other activities I was involved in, so my schedule was pretty hectic. I had to schedule it all around Crimsonsote life, just as I schedule my life around law school now. The Crimsonsotes were also ambassadors for the university, just as the law students are for Cumberland. Being a Crimsonsote did get me “out there” in front of a crowd and talking to fans, and allowed me to gain confidence that I know I use every time in a trial competition. Confidence is the key to everything. Even if I’m wrong, just like if I drop the baton, it’s all about how I recover. I am not the only Crimsonsote to use those skills in the law setting—one of my teammates is also a Cumberland alumna, Spencer Templeton Moore. She also used the courtroom as her “football field” or “stage.” I think it is fair to say that we both like the show factor that translates from Crimsonsote to trial attorney.

What was your most memorable experience as a college athlete, and so far as a law student?
As a Crimsonsote, I got to cheer my team through two back-to-back national championships (I still have confetti from each), but I think my favorite moments are collectively every time I stepped on the field to do pregame at Bryant-Denny. I wish I could do it again! As far as my most memorable experience as a law student, that has to be competing in the Williams Trial Competition this past spring and making it to the finals with my partner, Drew Bentley.
My most memorable moment of law school thus far was when I walked out of the last exam of my first year. All the hard work and perseverance paid off. The sense of accomplishment when I finished my first year of law school was awesome. I can’t wait for the even greater feeling of accomplishment that will come with graduation.

CHRISTIAN FLOWERS
Hometown: Honolulu, Hawaii
Sport and Undergraduate Institution: Water Polo, Pepperdine University
Tell us about your college athletic career.
I played water polo for Pepperdine, which is a Division I school located in Malibu, California. They are in the same league as USC, UCLA, Stanford and California Berkeley. I was a center-back, which is the equivalent to a power forward in basketball. I got to play internationally in Croatia. Our head coach was the Olympic team coach and took the men’s team to their first medal since the ’80s. I only played from 2006–08, as I ended my career due to injury after my junior year. My college career was different from the ‘80s. I only played from 2006–08, as I ended my career due to injury after my junior year. My college career was different from the ‘80s.

Do you feel that being an athlete during your undergraduate years helped to prepare you for law school in any way?
Yes, I do believe that being a college athlete helped me prepare for law school. Football is a game that tests a person more mentally than physically. It teaches a player to continue to give effort consistently in the midst of adversity. Regardless of whether you are winning or losing, there are two things that are always within your control—your effort and attitude. If you play with great effort and great attitude, good things will happen. The same applies to law school. Law school is a mental test that is filled with adversity. Every week is a battle consisting of small victories and defeats. The key factor for me is having a great effort and attitude in the midst of the adversity that law school brings. Despite the rigors of law school, I continue to give one hundred and ten percent of my effort and to have a positive attitude so that good things will happen. If it weren’t for playing college football, I would not be where I am today.

What was your most memorable experience as a college athlete, and so far as a law student?
My most memorable moment as a college athlete came during a team meeting in our chapel, on campus, the night before our home game. Coach Turner was speaking to us and brought up all the essential parts that make up a team. In reference to a Bible verse from 1 Corinthians 12, Coach Turner spoke of the “ultimate team player” and then he called my name. He spoke of my relentless effort, attitude and personal ethics to do what was right for the team. I was honored to be viewed by my coaches and teammates as such an integral part of our team, and it is a moment I will never forget.

BRANDON MOORE
Hometown: Forest, Mississippi
Sport and Undergraduate Institution: Football, Samford University
Tell us about your college athletic career.
I was an all-state offensive lineman in high school in Mississippi and was recruited to Samford on a full scholarship. While at Samford, I did not play until my second year, in which I played in around six games. My junior year I started at left tackle on the offensive line. That year we went 7–4, and I had the opportunity to play on ESPN twice, as well as play against University of Kentucky. In the game against Kentucky, my shoulder dislocated, which led me to needing surgery to repair it. Due to this, I missed all of preseason for my senior year, and my position. I split time at right tackle with another player until halfway through the season, when I decided to offer to the coaches that I lose about 20 lbs and move to tight-end, where we needed help. The coaches appreciated this, and I finished out my senior season as a co-captain and tight end. In my senior season, my senior class had the privilege of leading Samford to their first ever Southern Conference Championship and received a bid to go to the playoffs. I also had the opportunity to help Samford defeat its first ever Division 1a school in Georgia State in the Georgia Dome. Over my four years, I had the privilege of playing at Auburn University, University of Kentucky and the University of Arkansas.

Do you feel that being an athlete during your undergraduate years helped to prepare you for law school in any way?
Playing football as an undergraduate really helped me prepare for law school by teaching me how important it is to manage your time and be aware that sometimes there just isn’t enough of it. Learning to budget time and take notice of what is important to you during your free time is huge, and football really made that apparent. Besides that, law school is a lot like college sports because it’s practically a job you aren’t paid for. You have to treat it as such and work hard to get results out of it. Sometimes the best lessons are taught the hard way. In football it was getting beaten up during drills freshman year and in law school it was walking out of that first exam feeling like you were just hit by a truck. Football taught me to get back up, brush off the dirt and get ready to go again, which applies heinly in law school. Thick skin is a must.

What was your most memorable experience as a college athlete, and so far as a law student?
I have had several most memorable moments in college football—one can’t really sum it up. Senior year we won the conference championship in overtime against Elon, 53–32, and it was the most incredible ending to a game I have ever been a part of. Also, when we broke a 45-yard run for a touchdown against the University of Arkansas in their memorial stadium to take the lead 21–17. Hearing a crowd be ear-piercingly loud the entire game go absolutely silent as we took the lead late in the game was one of the most satisfying feelings ever.

My favorite law school memory so far has to be walking out of the school after my last final of first year, looking at my classmates and being in awe of the fact that we were already done with first year. Time flew by, and, sadly, I expect it will continue to for the next two years.
Caroline E. Crowley Named Class of 2019 Jere F. White Jr. Fellow

Caroline Crowley is from Dothan, Alabama. She recently graduated summa cum laude from Troy University where she studied communication and public relations. Crowley was involved in the Student Government Association and several campus philanthropic organizations, including Conversation Partners. Through the organization, foreign exchange students are paired with peers from the United States to improve English language skills and cross-cultural communication skills.

Crowley has long been passionate about serving those with special needs. She has been actively involved in organizations such as Special Olympics, Shane’s Inspiration All-Inclusive Playgrounds and the Miracle League. Crowley has served as the National Young Spokesperson for the Miracle League, where she traveled nationwide promoting funding for the development of Miracle League baseball fields. In addition, Crowley also served as the national teen spokesperson for the American Heart Association’s Go Red! For Women, teaching and promoting proactive measures to ensure heart health among adolescent women. In her spare time, she enjoys tutoring for standardized tests, running and restoring antique furniture.

According to Crowley, the mere opportunity to be selected as a finalist for the Jere F. White Jr. Fellowship Scholarship was both a blessing and an honor in itself. “As I stood among the other interviewees, it really affirmed that simply being accepted into such a prestigious law school is a huge accomplishment for us all,” she said. “I was absolutely astounded when I got the call that I had been chosen for the fellowship. I am nearly positive that my ‘Wow, are you kidding?’ was the least eloquent response ever received, but there are no words to express my gratitude to the scholarship committee for giving me this financial gift and opportunity to both network with and learn from some of the greatest minds in our field.”

First Jere F. White Jr. Fellow Graduates

Caroline Collins Muse, the first student awarded with the Jere F. White Jr. Fellowship, graduated cum laude in May 2016. While a student at Cumberland, she was selected to be an admissions ambassador, Who’s Who, and received a scholar of merit certificate. Muse is employed at Bradley Arant Boult Cummings as an associate.

INTRODUCING THE CLASS OF 2019

Cumberland School of Law welcomed 149 new law students to campus for first-year orientation Aug. 15–17. The week included informational sessions conducted by the Office of Admission, as well as workshops conducted by professors who teach the first-year Lawyering and Legal Reasoning (LLR) course. On Wednesday, the first-year class, faculty and staff embarked on group service projects throughout the Birmingham area for Cumberland School of Law’s annual First-Year Service Day and provided hundreds of volunteer hours in one afternoon to community service projects.

Students in the Class of 2019 hail from 15 states and are graduates of 65 colleges and universities. Their median LSAT score is 152, and their median GPA is 3.31 (both medians increased from last year.) The median age is 24—the youngest student is 20; the oldest is 49. The group is 50.5% female and 49.5% male, and the minority percentage is 20%. The group includes two Samford 3+3 students, 13 married students, seven military students and eight legacy students.

“We are thrilled to have such a diverse and accomplished group of students this year; and we’re proud they have chosen Cumberland for the start of their legal careers,” said Jen Hartzog, Cumberland’s director of admission. “I’ve been very impressed thus far with their attitudes and eagerness, and I’m excited to see what they achieve during their time here and beyond.”

Cumberland School of Law also welcomed three visiting students from the University of East Anglia in the United Kingdom and one visiting student from NALSAR University in India.
How long have you been an adjunct professor at Cumberland, and what classes have you taught?

I was a recently retired Marine, serving as an assistant United States attorney here in Birmingham in 1990. Military justice was to be taught in the summer term, but the professor who was to teach the course died unexpectedly. I got a “911” telephone call from my friend, Professor Alex Bolla, who was then dean of students. Being aware of my military law background, he asked me if I could teach the course and I said, “Sure.” Twenty-six years and about that many military justice classes later, I remain flattered that the professors and administration of Cumberland School of Law continue to ask me to teach the course.

In 1993, Cumberland began an ambitious trial advocate initiative. Professor Larry Jannotti spearheaded this initiative. It required adjuncts to evaluate the students in a separate microcosm of the trial process each week. It was called Basic Trial Skills. If I recall correctly, the first adjuncts to teach the course were: Judge Josh Mullins, Judge Jim Hard, Judge Jim Garrett, Mike Rasmussen and me. As a result of Larry’s and others’ initiatives, Cumberland now consistently remains in the top tier of the nation’s law schools in trial skills and produces some of the best trial lawyers in the country.

Over the years I’ve also taught courses in the application of the 4th Amendment, Your Dire and Jury Selection, Advanced Problems in Evidence and CLE for new lawyers.

With your busy schedule, why do you continue to teach?

I teach because I enjoy it. Teaching takes time and preparation, but it’s a welcome break from the active practice of law. Years ago I was told, “You never know your subject quite so well as when you have to teach it.” I think that is correct. Teaching a particular subject requires that the teacher remain current and, I believe, makes for a better lawyer.

What is your method of teaching, and has it changed over the years?

Cumberland makes adjunct professors feel like a genuine part of the permanent faculty. But this serious obligation is tempered by the fact that I consider myself to be “only” an adjunct, not a “real” professor. In my view, this gives me the best of both worlds: the mantle of the school’s reputation and the “freedom” to teach a little off center—a bit out of the bolt of cloth of The Dead Poets Society.

What advice do you offer to students about the start of their careers?

I’m not much on “advice” to others, but if pressed, it would be this: What a wonderful privilege and opportunity to serve is a law degree. But don’t let the rigors and stresses of the profession consume you. For most lawyers, there is a bit of Drano in our veins, and it will eat you up if you let it. Try to keep things in perspective and keep some balance in your life. Easy for me to say, but hard to do.

How long have you been an adjunct professor at Cumberland, and what classes have you taught?

Currently, I teach Healthcare Compliance: Laws and Regulations (MHLP 530) and Healthcare Privacy and Security (MHLP 570). This is my first year teaching as an adjunct professor, and I am thrilled to be affiliated with Cumberland and the Master of Science in Health Law and Policy program.

With your busy schedule, why did you decide to teach?

Prior to law school, I worked in corporate human resources for 12 years with a specialty in training and development. As an adjunct professor, I am able to blend my corporate training and development experience with my health care legal experience. Teaching keeps me up-to-date on changes in health care statutory and regulatory law, and ultimately makes me a better member of the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama Corporate Compliance team.

What is your teaching style, and has your method of teaching changed over the years?

Because my background is in corporate training and development, I believe strongly in experiential learning, and I value the knowledge and experience that each student brings to the class. Therefore, I work hard to tap into students’ backgrounds and work experiences as often as I can and for the benefit of all of the other students in the course. I am also continuously exploring new techniques for engaging students in the online learning environment.

What advice do you offer students about the start of their careers?

Build and foster the relationships you are forming now with fellow students, professors and administration. Those relationships will serve you well in the future in so many different and meaningful ways. Commit now to being an active and supportive Cumberland alum.
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LESLIE (“LES”) STURDIVANT ENNIS
Les Ennis holds both a J.D. and Ph.D. and completed, post-doctorally, the Management Development Program (MDP) at Harvard University’s Graduate School of Education. He is currently director of graduate admissions as well as professor at Oriel Beacons School of Education and Cumberland School of Law. He became a member of the Alabama Bar and the federal courts in 1992 after graduating from Cumberland. In 2005, Dr. Ennis received admittance to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States. Dr. Ennis has been married to Kristi Rickles Ennis since 1993 and has three children—Jonathan, Emily and Davis.

What classes do you teach at Cumberland, and how long have you taught?
I have taught at Cumberland since 1997 (19 years). I have taught Law Office Practice and Management (LAW 829) every fall, spring and summer since I started. Additionally, I have taught Professional Responsibilities—Ethics (LAW 546) on several occasions.

With your busy schedule, why do you continue to teach?
I teach because I sincerely feel it is an opportunity to help change lives, and it energizes me. As a practicing attorney full time in Tuscaloosa, a few years ago now, some of my toughest days were completely refreshed once I stepped into the classroom to teach at the end of the day. I remember as a student—completely void of any prior exposure to the law—professors at Cumberland who uniquely reached me intellectually and personally to realize the practice of law as a vocation and calling. I have always felt an obligation to repay what I received.

What is your teaching style, and has your method of teaching changed over the years?
I guess my style would be best described as conversational and practical— with rigor. My students are primarily 3Ls. The reality then is that the students I teach are going to be practicing attorneys soon. I strive to teach them accordingly. I teach toward a skill set that will allow them to be professional, ethical and successful. The law changes over the years but the students remain basically the same. They are eager and motivated. They want to be successful.

The biggest change, I have learned, needs to be in myself and how I relate and communicate to students. A few years ago, I was lecturing and used an example from pop culture that I had used for some time to illustrate a point. I looked up and saw blank stares. It dawned on me in that moment that I age every year that I teach but every new cycle of students comes in, for the most part, at the same age. I do not want to move slowly every year away from them. It was an epiphany for me and has impacted my teaching. Abraham Maslow said, “When the only tool one has is a hammer, eventually everything begins to look like a nail.” My goal in teaching is to avoid seeing everything with my hammer.

What advice do you offer students about the start of their careers?
I ask them to never lose sight of the forest by only seeing the trees. At the beginning of each class, on the first day, we all go around the room and introduce ourselves. The students generally know each other but I do not know them. I ask them to tell everyone, among other things, what they want to do with their degree when they graduate. The answers are always revealing. I remind them that a law license will open doors they never anticipated but with it comes great responsibility.

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One of Birmingham's historic downtown landmarks, the once decrepit Lyric Theatre, is now restored to its former glory due in large part to the decades-long hard work and determination of a Cumberland alumnus, Danny Evans ’75.

In 1987, Evans and his friend, Cecil Whitmire, formed a nonprofit organization, Birmingham Landmarks, for the sole purpose of saving the Alabama Theatre and its Wurlitzer organ. At the time, the 1927 movie house was facing bankruptcy, and they were concerned about what would happen to the organ during a bankruptcy proceeding. As hobby pianists, the desire to preserve the rare instrument inspired Evans and Whitmire to action. Birmingham Landmarks acquired the Alabama Theatre in 1987, and a full restoration was completed by 1990.

The Alabama Theatre continued to be the primary focus of Birmingham Landmarks until 1991, when the Newman Waters family, which had owned several movie houses in the Birmingham area and had title to the Lyric, donated the theatre to the organization. Birmingham Landmarks hired an attorney who was able to obtain historic tax credits from the federal and state governments, and the Lyric was approved for over $3 million in tax credits. However, around the time Whitmire passed away, downtown Birmingham began undergoing a revitalization. Old office spaces started being converted into lofts, new breweries, bars and restaurants started opening, and Railroad Park and Regions Field were constructed. The economy was slowly coming around, and interest rates were improving. In 2013, Birmingham Landmarks kicked off a fundraising campaign, “Light up the Lyric,” that raised over $8 million. A bright, shiny new marquee was installed, and things were looking up. As plans progressed, however, it became apparent that $10 million was needed to complete the major renovations, obtain a certificate of occupancy and officially open the doors.

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After obtaining economic impact studies, getting estimates, evaluations and more research, the original estimate to renovate the Lyric was $5.5 million. Each year, the pieces very slowly came together to progress on the massive project. Evans and his wife, Alexandria, spent many Saturdays sweeping the building out themselves, removing dead birds and debris. The organization hired additional staff to assist with fundraising, management and outreach. Still, progress was slow.

Whitmire, who passed away in 2010, often said that fundraising for the Lyric was far more challenging than it had been for the Alabama, largely because the vaudeville generation had passed away by that time and had no emotional connection to the theatre. According to Evans, there wasn’t much going on in downtown Birmingham for years, and the economic downturn dissuaded donors.

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Unbelievably, the renovation was completed just in the nick of time, and the Lyric's certificate of occupancy was obtained on Dec. 29, 2015. The renovated theatre has a capacity of about 750 people, offers seating on two levels (the floor and mezzanine), with the third level reserved for sound and lighting gear. Twelve opera boxes flank the sides of the theater, with a total of 23 boxes included in the blueprint. In addition to practical upgrades such as a brand new heating and air system, the theatre's ornate interior, decorated in shades of blue, white and gleaming gold, has been painstakingly restored to its former splendor.

A grand opening celebratory show featuring vaudeville acts was performed in January 2016 to a sold-out crowd, 102 years after the Lyric originally opened. The theatre has been up and running ever since, hosting a wide variety of acts from around the world including the State Ballet Theatre of Russia, Chris Isaak, Boz Scaggs, Taj Mahal, Citizen Cope, the Drive-By Truckers and the Alabama Symphony Orchestra, among others. Evans remains the board chairman of Birmingham Landmarks and says their work is far from over.

“There are still many projects left to complete at the Lyric, from expanded dressing rooms to a green room, rehearsal spaces and a box office, says Evans. “And then there’s the adjoining office building that was formerly the Majestic Theatre, another vaudeville theatre from the early 1900s. We aren’t sure of our plans for that space yet; we’re continuing to focus on the Lyric for the time being.”

For more details about the renovation or to view the event schedule, go to lyricbham.com.
Lauren J. Hartin ’10 is president/CEO and cofounder of Blanket Fort Hope, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit. Born in Jacksonville, Alabama, and raised in Powder Springs, Georgia, Hartin is devoting her time and attention to serving her community. In 2012–13, during the 2nd Global Think Tank, Business as Mission (now BAM Global), she participated in a group, “Business as Mission and Human Trafficking: Prevention and Restoration.” Hartin served on the board of directors and as interim chief operations officer for an organization assisting victims of human trafficking. In January 2015, she, along with her husband, alumnus Jay Hartin ’10, started Blanket Fort Hope. Blanket Fort Hope exists to assist child trafficking victims and provide human trafficking prevention education. To further Hartin’s mission of prevention education, they produced an educational video during their involvement with Leadership Shelby County. Instrumental in this effort were two other Cumberland lawyers: H. Emmanuel Scozzaro ’03 and Jill Lee ’92. In addition to practicing law full time in Shelby County, they are all working to get the video into schools across Alabama.

“This project and the collaboration that has resulted will go a long way to protect our kids from being preyed upon by traffickers,” says Lauren. “We hope and pray that it will contribute to ending this horrible crime in our state.”

For more information and to view the video, go to blanketforthope.org or facebook.com/blanketforthope.
Alumnus Selected as a Samford University 2016 HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR

Stephen B. Moss ’68, partner in Holland & Knight’s Fort Lauderdale, Florida, office was recently named one of Samford University’s 2016 Humanitarians of the Year.

After graduating in 1968 from Cumberland School of Law, Moss served for two years in active duty, including one year in Vietnam. Later, inspired by his daughter, who became permanently disabled while serving in Iraq, Moss was determined to help veterans obtain housing, legal care and health care. Over the course of several years, he rounded up volunteers, raised funding and drafted the infrastructure to launch Mission United in Jan. 2013. In just over three years, Mission United has directly assisted over 4,300 veterans in obtaining housing, legal assistance and health care.

Moss and his co-volunteers formed partnerships with others committed to the cause and applied for and received a grant for over $2 million from the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs specifically to house homeless veterans. They housed over 900 veterans in Broward County. Joining United Way gave this initial group of volunteers a way to fuel and grow their efforts exponentially. Mission United is now a national model for other veterans’ resource groups.

For Moss, Mission United is simply a labor of love. Moss fondly recalls his time as a law student at Cumberland. One memory that particularly stands out in his mind is when he was assigned to oversee a legal aid clinic in an economically depressed area of Birmingham to assist individuals who could not otherwise afford legal services. “I observed a strong dedication by the legal aid staff to assist these clients,” says Moss, who learned the importance of being proactive, becoming a champion for the underdog and causing changes that improve the lives of others.

“You do not accept the status quo or be complacent. Rather, use your heart and soul, and make dreams become a reality. It is amazing what we can accomplish with humility, collaboration and teamwork.”

On June 10, 2015, a reporter for the Orlando Sentinel wrote, “The program has already won praise from congressional representatives and was identified by the Joint Chiefs of Staff as one of the top reintegration programs in the nation.”

For more information about Mission United or to donate, go to unitedwaybroward.org/missionunited.

Alumnus Named CVA-NOVA Pro Bono Advocate of the Year

One of the nation’s leading advocacy organizations for veterans—the Center for Veterans Advancement (CVA) and the National Organization of Veterans’ Advocates Inc. (NOVA)—awarded the CVA-NOVA Pro Bono Advocate of the Year Award to Robert B. Goss, a Houston veterans’ law attorney, NOVA board member and 2006 Cumberland School of Law graduate. Goss accepted the honor on March 12 at NOVA’s Spring Conference in Las Vegas.

Established in 2009, the CVA/NOVA Pro Bono Advocates program was created in response to the Department of Veterans Affairs’ (VA) initiative to end veteran homelessness and the increased demand for legal assistance from poverty-stricken veterans. The annual award is given to an outstanding NOVA member who exemplifies the pro bono spirit by providing free legal services to veterans unable to afford them.

Goss is a graduate of Texas A&M University, where he completed a Bachelor of Science and Master of Science in aerospace engineering. After receiving his law degree from Cumberland, he graduated from the University of Houston Law Center with two Masters of Law.

He currently serves on the NOVA board of directors and the NOVA ethics, outreach and seminar committees. Licensed in Alabama and Texas, Goss is also a member of several professional associations, including the American Bar Association, the Federal Bar Association, National Association of Consumer Advocates, and the Military and Veterans Law section of the State Bar of Texas (SBTT). He was the driving force for the SBTT adding veterans as a section. Goss holds numerous military decorations and professional licenses.

W. Todd Carlisle (Samford ’88, Cumberland ’91) Serving as President of Samford University Alumni Association

Carlisle is president of the law firm Strote & Permutt and a member of the firm’s board of directors. Todd also serves as the co-chair of the firm’s Privacy & Data Security Practice Group and is also a member of Strote & Permutt’s Corporate and Tax practice group where he provides a wide range of services for businesses and families. He is a trusted adviser to clients in diverse industries including insurance, financial services, health care and technology. During his time in law school, Carlisle served as editor-in-chief of Cumberland Law Review.

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A Glimpse at Faculty Activities

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Cassandra Adams

On March 18, Adams participated in a joint program with the Alabama Cooperative Extension program titled "Planning Basics in Mobile, Alabama. She spoke as a group of "C" Call. Ms. Adams made a presentation about the importance of end-of-life planning.

On March 19, Adams served as guest moderator for the Aging in Alabama Symposium, hosted by Alabama A&M University in Huntsville, Alabama.

On March 21, Adams was a conference panelist at the American Society on Aging National Conference in Washington, D.C. The panel discussion was about community collaborations and highlighted the link between Alabama Cooperative Extension and the Cumberland Community Mediation Center.

On April 19, Adams was the guest speaker during campus-wide celebration of Black History. Her topic was "The Thought He Gave the Nation." The audience gave her a standing ovation.

On April 23, Adams was a participant in an Anti-Poverty Community Roundtable hosted by the American Bar Association’s Commission on Homelessness and Poverty.

Brad Bishop

On March 9, Bishop spoke on the topic "Legal and Ethical issues for Courts to Consider in Handling Indged Cases." He is the Municipal Judges and Magistrates Annual Conference in Hoover, Alabama.

On March 10, Bishop was quoted in a report entitled "A Profile of the State’s Judges," on changes in the judicial system.

On March 13, Bishop was quoted in a publication from Atlantic Media that covers state and local affairs. Bishop spoke on "The Importance of Privacy in the 21st Century." He also held a public talk on privacy and design at the school.

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Professor and former Assistant Dean

LaVone Warren retired on June 30 after 30 years of service to Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law.

Since joining the Cumberland School of Law faculty in 1986, Professor Warren has taught a variety of courses and held multiple administrative roles. Although her experience and expertise are in transactional and securities law, she has taught a wide array of courses that include not only Business Organizations and Corporate Finance, but also Civil Procedure and Professional Responsibility. Professor Warren assumed the role of assistant dean in 1989, which she maintained until 2014. During that time, she oversaw the law school’s Continuing Legal Education (CLE) program and created numerous events that became mainstays of CLE in Alabama, including bankruptcy and health law events and the now-famous CLE-by-the-hour program.

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Proceeds fund the Jere F. White Jr. Fellows program at Cumberland School of Law. Every attendee will be entered in drawings to win tickets to the SEC Championship Football Game and Iron Bowl Football Games, among other prizes.

Interested in watching Samford Athletics and in the opportunity to meet other Samford University alumni? The Bulldog Club provides support for Samford’s 350 student-athletes. Members enjoy exciting networking events throughout the year that provide opportunities to connect with coaches, staff and guest speakers. Members also receive premium gameday hospitality and reserved parking for all home football and men’s basketball games. The Bulldog Club is a great way to get involved with Samford University.

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The above seminars are also available as live webcasts. Live webcasts count as live CLE credit.
Robert “Squirl” C. Vinnell, Jr. was honored with a Jearl Marie Lawler Service Award given by the Alabama Lawyer Assistance Program Committee of the Alabama State Bar 2016 annual meeting.

John V. Lee and Brooke E. Sonto ’05 formed a new practice, Lee & Sonto, Attorneys at Law, Mobile, Alabama.

Morrie Jane Pettit retired after 18 years of service as the executive director for the Legal Aid Society of Birmingham.

Scott A. Powell was named to the Birmingham Bar Foundation's 2016 fellows class. Powell is of Howrey Swiss Nether & Partners LLP, Birmingham.

Douglas R. Bailey received a President’s Award from the Alabama State Bar 2016 annual meeting.

William G. Cohn was elected a fellow of the American Bar Foundation. He currently serves as an officer and director of the Chattahoochee Bar Association and the Chattahoochee Bar Foundation. Cohn is a founding member of the Brook-Cooper American Inn of Court and served as its third president. He is also a founding member of the Tennessee Bar Association of Construction Counsel. He is of Callow & Abbott PLLC, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

W. Dudley Motter Jr. was named to the Birmingham Bar Foundation’s 2016 fellows class. He is of Porterfield Motter Miller Motter & Irvin, Phenix City.

Patrick J. Reilly is elected to the Board of Directors of the Alabama State Bar Association. Reilly is at Gross McGinley LLP, Birmingham.

Trevor W. Howell was named a Birmingham city attorney. Howell is at Martha Reeves Cook LLC, Birmingham.

Ann L. Dye is senior counsel at Clark Hill PLC, Birmingham.

Michael A. Weltzer was named to the Birmingham Bar Foundation’s 2016 fellows class. Weltzer is of Weltzer Weltzer Weltzer LLP, Birmingham.

Pamela Colwell Baxley was named to the Birmingham Bar Foundation’s 2016 fellows class. Baxley is of Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama, Hoover, Alabama.

Judge Alvin G. King was named to the Birmingham Bar Foundation’s 2016 fellows class. King is currently Judge of the 10th Judicial Circuit, Prichard Court, Birmingham.

James S. Rogers was appointed for a one-year term to the advisory board of the Mobile Bar Association Women Lawyers Section. She is of Adams and Reewa LLP, Mobile, Alabama.

Woodrow “Dean” Howse III joined Sanford University as the director of gift and estate planning.

Sharon O. Stall was named president-elect of the Alabama Defense Lawyers Association.

Robin M. Andrews is a tax attorney and a regulatory counsel at Sanford University’s Cumberland School of Law.

Richard S. Costigan III was selected chair of the Finance and administration committee of the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS), Sacramento, California. Costigan also serves on CalPERS’ risk committee of the governance committee and as a member of the investment committee.

James S. Williams is an adjunct professor of Sanford University’s Cumberland School of Law.

Matthew “Matt” C. Williams is an attorney of Edardsen Halun Hill & Gardner & Witenes, Birmingham.

Brian A. “Jay” Brown was appointed to Florida’s 4th Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission. Brown is of Alawon LLP, Jacksonville, Florida.

Jared K. Omprah was named a shareholder of Strobel & Perrin PC, Mobile, Alabama.

Cynthia Roswell Brangell is university counsel at the UAB Health System Office of Counsel, Birmingham, Alabama.

Christine A. Graham is senior corporate counsel of BBVA Compass, Birmingham.

Dana Bolen Hill is a shareholder in Miller Carter Coke & Brus, Birmingham.

Thomas J. Moore is a trial attorney at Shunnarah Law firms, PC, Birmingham.

Brendy M. Barnett is an attorney of Hancock Daniel Johnson & Nagel PC, Johnson City, Tennessee.

E. Diane Gambrel is a shareholder in Miller Carter Coke & Brus, Birmingham.

Emily W. Jasper is named counsel for the Wallace State Community College Paralegal/Legal Assistant Program, Hanceville, Alabama.

Robert B. Goss is the 2015 advocate of the year for the 2015 volunteer for the National Organization of Veteran Advocates at its 2015 meeting. He is the Law Office of Robert B. Goss, P.C., Houston, Texas.

Suzanne Netles Him is of rural Mountain View Law Group, Mountain View.

Pamela L. Hambro is a partner of Simpson Madison Sloan & Barfield PLC, Birmingham.

Robert D. Pigg is a founding partner of McGinnis PLC, Nashville, Tennessee.

David F. Scott is a partner of McLanahan Firm PA, Charlotte, South Carolina.

Lee E. Bagley was named a partner of Cahaly, Lewis & Edwards LLC, Columbus, South Carolina.

Donn J. Boiles III is in the legal services division of Deloitte & Touche, Nashville, Tennessee.

Michelle Modrano IV is in civil litigation advocacy of Century Siding, Hollywood, Florida.

Rashie A. Petty is of counsel at Lighthaus & Willis LLC, Birmingham.

Matthew M. Caffill was named a shareholder of Baker Donelson, Birmingham.

Kimberly “Paige” Conner was named a shareholder of Lloyd Gray Whitten & Millner PC, Birmingham.

Brooke E. Sanchez and John V. Lee Jr. TB prepared the notes for the Alabama State Bar Annual Meeting.

Joseph Kyle Beach was named a Birmingham city attorney. Beach is at Gross McGinley LLP, Birmingham.

Robert F. Goss was appointed for a one-year term to the Southeastern Circuit Judicial Council, Bibb County, Alabama on Sept. 7, 2015.

Woodrow “Gene” Howard III was appointed for a one-year term to the executive committee of the Judicial Conference of Virginia and to the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

Jennifer M. Reilly was named as a shareholder of Strobel & Perrin PC, Mobile, Alabama.

Brian C. Shinkewitz is a partner at Stotser & Nichols PC, Birmingham.

Jason A. Shamblin is an attorney at Lloyd, McGarvey, Helms, McDaniel & Williams PLLC, Alabama.

K. Lewis Dabney was named a shareholder of Moorelaw LLP, Birmingham.

Matthew R. Collins is a shareholder at Cabaniss Johnston & Morris, Birmingham.

Laurinda S. Lott is elected chair of the Birmingham Bar Foundation. She is of Barineau Sellers & Toll PLLC, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

Richard E. McGinnis, Jr. was named a Birmingham city attorney. McGinnis is at Barineau Sellers & Toll PLLC, Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

James M. Lyle Jr. was named department chair for the Wallace State Community College Paralegal/Legal Assistant Program, Hanceville, Alabama.

Robert C. Loe is an attorney with the Florida Office of the Attorney General, Criminal Appeals Division in Tallahassee, Florida.

Robert E. Goss has opened a solo practice, Rebekah L. Graham LLP, Huntsville, Alabama.

Mitchell M. Metzger is senior counsel for Watson Moltz Cash LLC, Brookwood, Alabama.

Fernando J. Rosso Colon joined the board of directors for Oasis Counseling for Women and Children. She is of Rosso Colon PC, Birmingham.

Alejandro J. “Andy” Pasquali IV hired axy a court- appointed lawyer. Pasquali is now an assistant district attorney with the Alachua- Orange County State Attorney’s Office, Alachua, Florida.
Class Notes

Nicole C. Leal was installed as 2016–17 president-elect of the Student Bar of Georgia’s Young Lawyers division.

Tendle L. Moore is an associate professor and chair in the Department of Health Administration at Samford University’s School of Public Health.

Brooke M. Nixan is an adjunct professor at Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law.

L. Monique Von-Love opened a legal and consulting firm in Houston, Texas.

William Lee Percie III is a partner at White & Allen PA, Kinston, North Carolina.

Laurren Young Welch opened a new practice, Welch Law PLLC, in Pinedale, Wyoming.

2009

Timothy P. Cook was named senior vice president and chief operating officer of BBB CompaX, Birmingham.

Hannah L. Barnitz was named an equity member of Campbell Dunn LLC, Tallahassee, Alabama.

Bradley W. Miller is a usability analyst at Autodesk US, Alabaster, Alabama.

Jeremim J. Rogers is associate director of legal for Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, Huntsville, Alabama.

Brittany D. Tofford is a special editiors’ column of the United States Attorneys, Columbus, South Carolina.

2010

Joshua L. Normark was selected to participate in the Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum.

Kiel Gross Hunter is a senior account manager of Healthcare Blueprint, Birmingham.

Crista A. Molaison is associate attorney general for the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, Atmore, Alabama.

Jonathan E. Mosby is a legal solutions consultant at Lighthouse Consulting, Nashville, Tennessee.

Britton O. Hoble is a legal and regulatory training instructor at Samford University’s Cumberland School of Law.

Andrea Lynne Shaw is the 2016–17 interim dean of the School of Law at Samford University.

Matthew Noel Tully is a guard and contracts officer of the Office of Predisposed Programs, University of Alabama.

Heather E. Ward is vice president of the junior board of the Red Mountain Park. Ward is an account manager & Spruce Bldg, Birmingham.

2011

Lauren Faye Farrington is an attorney at Bracken Salmon Field Foust & Miller, Birmingham.

J. Ryan Johnson is of counsel to Dunn Law Firm, Nashville, Tennessee.

Edward H. Klassing IV is an associate of Drury & Monning PA, Gadsen, South Carolina.

Brendon C. Prince was selected to participate in the Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum.

Aaron B. Sumter is an attorney with George Public Defender Council, Rome City, Rome in, Rome, Georgia.

2012

C. Todd Buchanan is an attorney of Shunnarah Injury Lawyers, PC.

Loopy K. Donley was selected to participate in the Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum.

J. Brandon Dupree is a founding partner of Schaller & Dupree-Women of Law PLLC, Elizabethtown, Kentucky.

Daniel R. Evans is an attorney of the Evans Law Firm PC, Birmingham.

Mourine C. Evans was selected to participate in the Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum.

William H. Harrell is manager of corporate compliance and government affairs of Fried Frank, Lakeland, Florida.

Kate M. Kimbrell was selected to participate in the Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum.

Craig D. Lawrence Jr. is an attorney of Adams and National LEW LLP, Birmingham.

George C. Shiflett III opened a new law practice, the Shiflett Law Firm PLLC, Portland, Tennessee.

James P. “Jay” Watkins is an attorney in the Legal Services Division of Catholic Charities, Attleboro, Alabama.

Timothy James “T.J.” Wilson is a management and program analyst.

2013

Nicholas Archincourt is an associate of Brown Law PLLC, Alexandria, Virginia.

Brice Scott Kuret is a tax consultant at Kuret & Company, Charlotte, North Carolina.

N. Victoria Ebranini-Charles is an attorney at The Frankelle Firm LLC, Birmingham.

G. Allen Eatrch Jr. is a contact attorney of Maynard Cooper & Gale PC, Birmingham.

Joselyn A. Gilbert is an attorney at Campbell & Brendon, Alpharetta, Georgia.

E. Aligail Bainis Harris is an associate of Bradlee Armitou & Gonzales LLP, Birmingham.

Sidney M. Jackson was selected to participate in the Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum.

Katy S. Lawrence is an attorney at the City Attorney’s Office, Birmingham.

Zachory Robert Lewis is an attorney of Morris Bart LLC, Birmingham.

Yvonno N. McDaniels was selected to participate in the Birmingham Bar Association Future Leaders Forum.

Lindsay A. Radosev is an attorney of Frank S. Bush PC, Birmingham.

Nicholas “Nick” McColloough Reburn is a deputy district attorney for the 10th Judicial Circuit, Jefferson County, Alabama.

Cline D. Thompson is a compliance officer of BBVA Compass, Birmingham.

Laurie Lundy Wheele is an attorney of Childers Schuler & Smith LLC, Alabaster, Georgia.

2014

Kimberly Phillips Gllas is an attorney of Taylor Law PLLC, Memphis, Tennessee.

Lauren E. Lomato is an assistant district attorney for the Houston County District Attorney’s Office, Perry, Georgia.

Zachary “Zeck” Mcllwain is an environmental science teacher at the Copmany Academy in Baltimore, Maryland.

Joshua M. Riedel is an associate of Dayton Gregory LLP, Montgomery, Alabama.

J. Mitchell Reiter is legislative counsel for Representative Bradford Byrne, U.S. Congress for the 1st District, Washington, D.C.

John K. Schaufel is an associate of Allardyce Family Lawyers, Atlanta, Georgia.

2015

Cortney K. Bryant is an attorney of Morris Bart LLC, Birmingham.

Dillon K. Bullard is an associate general counsel of the Alabama Department of Public Health, Montgomery, Alabama.

Robert Clayton Colten is an attorney of Stone & Hamilton, Atlanta, Georgia.

Matthew Gregory Germain is an associate of Morris Hasenius Williams Airola & Nelson, Birmingham.

L. Ashleigh Hatfield is an associate of Rob Nelson & Hasenius LLP, Birmingham.

Christopher Daniel Musak is an associate of Goold Hendrie PC, Vestavia, Alabama.

Justin A. Mitchell joined the U.S. Air Force JAG Corps. He serves as chief of legal assistance and operations law of Common Air Force Base, Portuffle, New Mexico.

Samuel D. Nokovich is a wealth advisor associate with the private wealth management division of Regions Financial Corporation, Nashville, Tennessee.

Annie C. Beatty is the development and community outreach coordinator of the Birmingham Bar Foundation.

Allen E. Sorrell is an attorney of Morris Bart LLC, Birmingham.

Laura Glenn Spradling is an attorney of Peoples and Davis, Birmingham.

Faye Doss Sugg is an attorney of Morris & Bartt Moss PLLC, Birmingham.

2016

Sarah F. Bottona is attending New York University, New York, New York. To collect her LL.M in Envionmental Law.

Martha A. English is an attorney of Shunnarah Injury Lawyers PC, Birmingham.

Melissa M. Washington is an associate of Manchester Law, Birmingham.

Sarah F. Bottona is attending New York University, New York, New York. To collect her LL.M in Envionmental Law.

Katie M. Colby is an attorney of Sheppard Mullin, Washington, D.C.

Leanne Penny Daur is an attorney of Morris Bartt Moss PLLC, Birmingham.

Charlotte, North Carolina, died on Feb. 4, 2016.

Mary Margaret Bevis is a tax consultant at Arlington Davis, Birmingham.

Nicholas “Nick” McCollough Reburn is a deputy district attorney for the 10th Judicial Circuit, Jefferson County, Alabama.

Joel C. Szwed is an associate of Dunn Law Firm, Birmingham.

Christopher Koss Friedman is an attorney at Dunn Law Firm, Birmingham.

Jennifer Marie Jones Galligan is a Josiah, Alabama, died on March 4, 2016. She was married to Keith M. Galligan ’01.

Maurice Grubert ’74 of Dewarsh Beach, Florida, died on Jan. 12, 2016.

J. Keattie “Katie” Barbour ’12 and Graham N. Jackson ’12 were married on Jan. 30, 2016. They reside in San Francisco, California.

J. Ashleigh Meyer ’10 is an attorney at Morris Bartt Moss PLLC, Birmingham.

Matthew Edward Dye ’12 and Julia Louise Cunliffe ’12 announced the birth of their son, Finnley Robert Buchanan, May 2, 2016.

Charles E. Robinson ’65 of Mountain Brook, Alabama, died on March 15, 2016.

Aaron Bradford Summer ’11 and Dr. Brooks Hopkins Summer announced the birth of a son, Ethan James Summer, May 31, 2016.


Amy Aaron Wozen ’05 and Philip Wozen announced the birth of a daughter,航班_34.wav, on March 12, 2016.

Melissa Hamber Yon ’10 and Shon Yon announced the birth of a daughter, Lauren Alexander Yon, May 18, 2016.
SAVE THE DATE
FOR FUTURE ALUMNI EVENTS

Join Henry C. Strickland III and Cumberland School of Law alumni, faculty and staff for our annual Birmingham alumni luncheon.

**January 20, 2017**
Samford University, Cooney Hall, 4th Floor
Doors open at 11:30 a.m., Lunch served at 12 p.m., Adjourn at 1 p.m.
Registration TBA • Questions: Email Anne at amarovic@samford.edu or call Laura at 205-726-2444

Cumberland School of Law invites you to Alumni Reunion Weekend 2017.

**Friday, April 7**
All Alumni Cocktail Reception at the Florentine (2nd Avenue North and 21 Street)

**Saturday, April 8**
Open House at the Law School
Details and registration information will be mailed in January.