

“For the past and the future.” That is the succinct explanation of Adrian P. Schoone, L’59, for his recent gift of \$105,000 to support faculty research and scholarship concerning Wisconsin law. “I arrived at Marquette fifty years ago from modest circumstances in rural Harrison, Wisconsin. The assistance and education that Marquette provided have never been far from my mind. Although I have sought to repay it in the past, I wished to do so emphatically again.” Mr. Schoone is a trial lawyer who handles personal injury claims and business litigation for Schoone, Leuck, Kelley, Pitts & Knurr, S.C., located in the Village of Mount Pleasant in Racine County. He is a past-president of the State

Bar of Wisconsin (1983-84), past member and chairperson of the Wisconsin Judicial Commission, and past member and chairperson of the Board of Attorneys Professional Responsibility, now called the Office of Lawyer Regulation.

As for the particular focus of the gift, Mr. Schoone explains that he settled upon it after discussions with Dean Joseph D. Kearney. “I am impressed with Dean Kearney’s intellect, energy, and vision for the future of Marquette University Law School. I want to help ensure that, even as the school continues to gain a measure of national recognition, it will provide critical and independent analysis of developments in Wisconsin law.” Dean Kearney underscores the significance of the gift. “This is a leadership gift,” notes Kearney. “We are committed to enhancing our regional and national standing, as occurred most recently under Dean Eisenberg. It is essential that, as we do this, we also preserve and expand our historic stronghold, which is our involvement and integration with the bar and the public policy of the State of Wisconsin. Mr. Schoone’s gift will help to ensure this.” •



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