# CLASS NOTES

## 1967

Michael J. Zimmer gave the 2012 Fairchild Lecture at the University of Wisconsin Law School, speaking on "Inequality, Individualized Risk and Insecurity." He is a professor at Loyola University Chicago School of Law, specializing in employment discrimination law, labor and employment law, and constitutional law.

#### 1968

**William A. Jennaro** received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Milwaukee Bar Association at its 154th annual meeting this past June.

#### 1971

**Caroline Lawrence Kinzer** has published *Men, Music, and Mirth*, an amalgamation of several genres: personal memoir, travel adventures, commentary, and, above all, a family saga. She resides in Palm City, Fla., with her husband, William Philipbar.

#### 1972



# Timothy P. Crawford,

Racine, Wis., recently received the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys' Outstanding Member Award from the academy's Wisconsin chapter.

## 1974

**Mike Piontek** has been elected a judge on the Racine County Circuit Court.

#### 1975

**John Patterson** has been named chief executive officer of United Vision Logistics, a logistics services provider headquartered in Lafayette, La.

## 1976

Mary Pat Jacoby was selected as a "2012 Women in the Law" honoree by the *Wisconsin Law Journal*. She is a partner in the Milwaukee office of Quarles & Brady.

## 1979

**Frank Steeves** was recently featured in *Profile* magazine. He is executive vice president, general counsel, and secretary for Emerson Electric Co., St. Louis, Mo.

#### 1982



Michael J. Gonring received the Pro Bono Award for Lifetime Achievement from the State Bar of Wisconsin's Legal Assistance Committee. He also received the Milwaukee Bar Association's

Distinguished Service Award in June. Gonring is a partner in the Milwaukee office of Quarles & Brady.

## 1987

**Captain Rob Blazewick**, JAGC, U.S. Navy, presented lectures on Law and Strategy, Weapons of Mass Destruction, and Transnational Terrorism as part of a conference he directed this past May on homeland security. The conference was held in Ashgabat, Turkmenistan, for the leaders of several national ministries.

**Christie A. Christie** received her Ph.D. in Urban Education, Multicultural Studies, from the University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee this past May. Christie is a staff attorney at the Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee, guardian ad litem division, and an adjunct professor at Marquette University Law School and MATC.

## 1988

Wendy Selig-Prieb has been named president of Worth New York, a division of the national women's fashion company, The Worth Collection, Ltd. She has been with the company since 2005.

## 1990

Antoinette C. Robbins, Philadelphia, Pa., recently served as a panelist during a Women's Summit hosted by Philadelphia Councilwoman Blondell Reynolds Brown and the African-American Chamber of Commerce of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. Robbins is the senior compliance officer of Delaware Investments.

# 1991

**W. Richard Chiapete** has been appointed District Attorney for Racine County, Wis., where he has served as deputy district attorney since 2005.

## 1992

**Timothy S. Jacobson** had his thriller, *The Kurchatov Penetration*, reviewed favorably in the June 2012 issue of "Wisconsin Bookwatch." *The Kurchatov Penetration* was featured on Amazon's Best Sellers–Top 100 lists for both April and May 2012.

**Christine Liu McLaughlin** has been named a "2012 Woman of Influence" in the Inspiration category by Milwaukee's *Business Journal*. McLaughlin is a shareholder with the Milwaukee office of Godfrey & Kahn and chairs the firm's Women's Leadership Forum and Diversity Committee.

## 1993

**Brian Wright** has been appointed District Attorney for Eau Claire County, Wis.

## 1996

**Kelli S. Thompson** has been elected 2013 chair of the State Bar of Wisconsin Board of Governors. Thompson has served in a number of leadership roles at the State Bar, including chair of the Bench Bar Committee and member of the Access to Justice Commission.

#### 1998

**Daniel Finerty** has joined Lindner & Marsack, a firm specializing in labor and employment law. Finerty will assist clients with labor and employment litigation and compliance and counseling matters.

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### 1999

Matthew Duchemin has been elected to a two-year term on the Western District of Wisconsin Bar Association's Board of Governors. He is a partner in the Madison office of Quarles & Brady.

Joseph T. Miotke is president-elect of the Wisconsin Intellectual Property Law Association. He is a patent litigator with the Metro Milwaukee office of Dewitt Ross & Stevens.

Mary T. Wagner's third collection of essays, Fabulous in Flats, was recently named to the list of finalists in ForeWord Book Reviews' "Book of the Year Awards." It also took a "gold" award in the 2011 eLit Book Awards and was named "Published Book of the Year" by the Florida Writers Association last October. Wagner has been an assistant district attorney with the Sheboygan County District Attorney's office for the past 11 years.

## 2001

Michael P. Maxwell is a contributing author to *Inside the Minds: Strategies for Consumer Bankruptcy Trustees*, recently published by Aspatore Books, a Thomsen-Reuters company. Maxwell continues to serve as a Chapter 7 trustee in the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

**Mollie Newcomb** recently opened up her own firm, The Law Office of Mollie Newcomb, in Milwaukee. She focuses her practice on intellectual property law.

## 2002

**Benjamin A. Menzel** has joined the Waukesha, Wis., office of The Schroeder Group. He focuses his practice on civil litigation, commercial and business litigation, and debtor/creditor rights.

#### 2003



Ryan E. Ruzziconi, Flint, Mich., has been named "Top General Counsel for a Privately Held Company in Michigan," as part of the 2012 *Crain's Detroit Business* magazine's General & In-House Counsel Awards. He is vice president and general counsel for Diplomat Pharmacy, Inc.

## 2004

John Schulze Jr., Madison, Wis., is serving as the chairperson for the Public Service Commission's Partners in Giving campaign, which is the Dane County, state, and University of Wisconsin employee workplace campaign to raise money for hundreds of charities. Schulze currently serves as a PSC division administrator.

### 2006



Ray H. Littleton, Lansing, Mich., has been appointed to the State Bar of Michigan Representative Assembly for the Sixth Circuit. He is an associate at Foster Swift Collins & Smith and focuses his

practice on health care, commercial litigation, general litigation, and medical/professional malpractice defense.

# 2007

**Andrea F. Cataldo** has joined the Milwaukee office of Godfrey & Kahn. She is a member of the firm's corporate practice group.

**Melissa Stone** has joined Lindner & Marsack, a firm specializing in labor and employment law. Stone will focus on defending workers' compensation claims for the insurance industry and self-insured employers.

## 2008

Jonathon Flynn, Shorewood, Wis., recently started as a full-time faculty member at Cardinal Stritch University's College of Business, with the rank of assistant professor. He is engaged to **Sergio Magaña**, L'12. Their wedding is planned for July 2013. **Max N. Gruetzmacher** has joined the Mt. Pleasant, S.C., office of Motley Rice as an associate. He focuses his practice on securities and consumer fraud litigation.

# 2009

**Charles R. Stone** was recently appointed adjunct professor of business at Peking University's Market Economy Academy in Beijing, China, teaching Organizational Behavior East and West, in Chinese. Stone is an associate at Weiss Berzowski Brady, Milwaukee.

## 2010

**Bradley Dahmer** and **Alexis Hagquist**, both graduates of the part-time program, were married in Las Vegas, Nev., on December 11, 2011.

**Bryant E. Ferguson** has joined the Milwaukee office of Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren as an associate in the firm's employee benefits practice.

Anique N. Ruiz has been elected to a twoyear term on the State Bar of Wisconsin's Board of Governors. She will represent District 2. In addition, she has been selected as one of Community Connection News Magazine's 2012 "Professionals to Watch." Ruiz is an associate with the Milwaukee office of Gonzalez Saggio Harlan.

**Laura D. Steele** has joined the Milwaukee office of Kerkman & Dunn as an associate.

## 2011

**Christopher Kuechler** has joined Jaskolski & Jaskolski as an associate. The firm is located in Greenfield, Wis., and focuses on family law.

**Edward Robert Tybor III** has joined Rosensteel Law Group in Phoenix, Ariz. He focuses his practice on real estate law.

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