



Christine Giaimo Wiseman



Richard M. McDermott



Andrew R. Reneau

Distinguished Alumna Award

Christine Giaimo Wiseman

College of Liberal Arts 1971
Law School 1973

Christine Wiseman, vice president for academic affairs at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb., began her career as an assistant Wisconsin attorney general with the criminal appeals division and as a law clerk to U.S. District Judge Robert W. Warren. She accepted a faculty position in the Marquette University School of Law in 1980, where she won both university and Law School awards for teaching excellence, later becoming associate dean for academic affairs. In 1998, Marquette appointed her associate vice president for academic affairs, a position that allowed her to play key roles in core curriculum development, gender equity and the standardization of tenure and promotion procedures. Wiseman's representation of Texas death row inmate Billy Conn Gardner earned her recognition as volunteer Attorney of the Year from the Wisconsin Civil Liberties Union in 1989. She was later recognized as a "Woman of Influence" by the Wisconsin Business Journal. When she left Marquette in 2002, Law School Dean Howard B. Eisenberg presented her with the Spirit of the Law School Award for her role in educating a generation of Marquette lawyers.

Recent Alumnus Award

Richard M. McDermott

College of Engineering 1991
Law School 1994

Rick McDermott is a partner in the Charlotte office of Alston & Bird, a 675-attorney law firm serving five major markets including Atlanta, New York, Washington, D.C., Charlotte and Raleigh, N.C. The firm is ranked the third best place at which to work according to the *Fortune 100* Best Companies to Work For survey. Rick specializes in complex intellectual property lit-

igation, including patent, trademark and copyright litigation, and other technology disputes. In addition, he counsels clients about obtaining, protecting, licensing and enforcing intellectual property, and he is experienced in the preparation and prosecution of electrical and electromechanical patents. He is a frequent author and speaker regarding intellectual property law and is co-author of the "Selected Intellectual Property Law Developments" column appearing monthly in the *Electronic Banking Law and Commerce Report*. Rick is a member of the Board of Directors of the Charlotte Children's Choir and a regular volunteer for the Mid-Atlantic chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. He is on the College of Engineering National Advisory Council, is president of the Marquette University Alumni Association National Board of Directors, and is a member of the Marquette University President's Council.

Lifetime Achievement Award

Andrew R. Reneau

Law School 1946

The grandson of slaves and now a reserve court commissioner, Andrew Reneau served as a Milwaukee County Family Court Commissioner from 1978 until his retirement in 1995. Prior to his work with the county, he was the first editor of *The Glove*, one of Wisconsin's first African-American newspapers. Andrew practiced law as a defense attorney from 1946 to 1976, when he became an assistant family court commissioner. He is a past president of the Milwaukee Chapter of the NAACP, past vice chair of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and past member of the Wisconsin Bar Association's Board of Governors. He served as vice chairman of the Boy Scouts of America's Milwaukee Council and was a director for the Northside YMCA and the Marquette University Law School Alumni Association. He has guest lectured on divorce law at the University of Wisconsin and Marquette University Law School, and in 1996 he received Milwaukee's Black Excellence Award for contributions to the community.



Paul M. Anderson



Edward J. Ward



Jean Wouters DiMotto

through law.

Sports Law Alum of the Year

Paul Martin Anderson

Arts and Sciences 1991
Law School 1995

Paul Anderson is the associate director of the National Sports Law Institute of Marquette University Law School. The founder and chair of the Marquette University Law School Sports Law Alumni Association, Paul is also the supervisor of the Marquette Sports Law Review and an adjunct assistant professor of law. Paul has worked of-counsel with various firms in Milwaukee and most recently was a consultant with the Leib Group, LLC, advisors to the Sports and Entertainment Industry in Mequon. Paul is the author of numerous articles and books in the the sports law and management field and is a nationally known expert on stadium and arena development issues. He is the vice-chair and program coordinator for the Sports and Entertainment Law Section of the State Bar of Wisconsin and a member of several national and international sports and entertainment law groups. Paul was also the 2002 recipient of the Society for the Study of the Legal Aspects of Sport and Physical Activity's Leadership Award in recognition of leadership and vision in the areas of scholarship, teaching, service and mentorship.

A Person for Others Award

Edward J. Ward

College of Arts and Sciences 1967
Law School 1976

After graduation, Ed Ward spent two years in Thailand in the Peace Corps and a year in the U.S. Army in Vietnam where he earned a Bronze Star. He worked for Wisconsin Rep. Clem Zablocki in Washington, D.C., and Milwaukee for three years before serving as legislative director for Wisconsin Gov. Marty Schreiber. Ward returned to Milwaukee County as coordinator of economic development and then headed the Private

Industry Council. He joined Morgan Stanley in 1986 and is now first vice president in its Wauwatosa office. After their oldest child, Brendan, died of a heart defect in 1986, Ed and his wife, Cathy, founded a "Day of Healing for Grieving Parents" at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee and raised money for the Brendan Heart Fund at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. While at Marquette's Law School, Ed founded the Irish folk group, Blarney. He founded Milwaukee Irish Fest in 1980 and served as festival director until 1991. In 1990, Ward founded the Irish Fest Foundation and added the Ward Irish Music Archives in 1991.

**All-University Alumni Merit Award
for Professional Achievement**

Judge Jean Wouters DiMotto

College of Nursing 1973
Law School 1984

Judge Jean DiMotto, a circuit court judge in Milwaukee County, has worked as a registered nurse, as a faculty member in Marquette's College of Nursing and Law School, as a college attorney and as a trial lawyer. As a trial attorney, Jean received the highest attorney rating by Martindale-Hubbell, an authoritative resource for information on the legal profession, and the designation Lawyer's Lawyer in *Milwaukee Magazine*. She received a writing excellence award from the *American Journal of Nursing* and has published numerous articles for nurses as well as attorneys on topics such as the limits of free speech, whistle blowing, malpractice insurance and accommodating the elderly in court. Jean is a popular national speaker and has given more than 125 presentations and seminars, most on legal issues of interest to nurses. She also co-presented a week-long seminar in Beijing on American constitutional criminal law. She has served in leadership positions in nursing and legal associations, and currently is active in Wisconsin on the boards of the Visiting Nurse Association and Renaissance Theatre. Jean is an oblate to the Benedictine Women's Monastery in Madison. •