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ANDERSON SPARKS PLACEMENT PROGRAM

One of the busiest places at Hastings this year is the Office of Law Placement headed by Professor Marvin J. Anderson who finds jobs for undergraduates, new graduates and old time alumni and, in addition, finds time to be acting registrar and professor of law. Anderson (Ph.B., L.L.B., University of Wisconsin; L.L.M. New York University) explains the placement program in an article on page four.

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FIVE ALUMNI CLERKS AT FIRST D.C.A.

Five Hastings graduates are now with the First District Court of Appeal. They are: Gregory Archbald, '64 (Law Clerk to Presiding Justice Draper, Division Three). Harold Collins, '64 (Law Clerk to Justice Agee, Division Two). Howard Jameson, Jr., '64 (Law Clerk initially to Presiding Justice Bray, Division One, and upon Justice Bray's retirement, Law Clerk to Justice Sims). Renee Rubin, '63 (Extraordinary Writ Clerk).

About his job Archbald stated, "Of eleven researchers at this court, five are from Hastings! Coming to a 45.5% pure Hastings climate only one block away from the alma mater itself doesn't sound like much of a jump. But researching four varied cases each month and comparing results with some of the country's finest judges makes this about the longest and most rewarding jump a new grad can take."

Miss Rubin commented, "The writ clerk works for all divisions of the court, and, therefore, for all the Justices. That that is the most outstanding feature of my position. The Justices are extremely generous with their time in assisting the attorneys on the court in discussing law, legal procedure, and historical developments in the law, and in orienting the newly graduated attorneys to proper trial and appellate practice."

1965 APPLICATIONS SNOWBALL

Despite the fact that the College is currently operating at 200% of capacity (1964-65 enrollment of 1088 in facilities designed for 550), the number of applications being received continues to increase every year. So far in 1965, applications are running 44% ahead of the comparable period in 1964. Not only has the day when a baccalaureate degree entitled anyone to admission to Hastings long since passed, but above average work toward that degree must be presented reasonably early in the academic year in order that its achiever may be assured of admission.

If you have any candidates for admission to the September, 1965 class remind them to apply immediately, states Assistant Dean Richard Amandis.

HELP! BULLETINS STILL MISSING

The College librarian, David L. Moore, reports that several issues of the Hastings Alumni Bulletin are not in the library files. They are the following:

- Vol. 6, No. 1, 1956
- Vol. 7, No. 2, 1958
- Vol. 8, No. 2, 1959
- Vol. 9, No. 1, 1959

It would be appreciated if alumni having copies of any of the above issues would send them to the Library.

SNODGRASS PORTRAIT

An oil portrait of the late Dean David E. Snodgrass was presented to the College in an unveiling ceremony on November 20, 1964 held at the College. At a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Association following the ceremony, the Governors voted unanimously to recommend to the College that the \$4,590.90 remaining in the portrait fund raised by the alumni be transferred to the David E. Snodgrass Scholarship Fund.

In addition to the other business, the Governors voted to publish an alumni directory in 1965, listing alumni by name alphabetically, by geographic location and by class.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held at 4 p.m., March 5, 1965 at the Casa Munras Hotel, Monterey.

STUDENT-ALUMNI COURSE CONTINUES

Last fall there was launched a cooperative experiment under the auspices of Professor John S. Bradway. The participants were some 10 members of the alumni of Hastings College of the Law and some 20 students who were taking a course in the school. The name of the course was LEGAL AID CLINIC. Its object is to bridge in some measure the gap between the law in books and the law in action. The students in pairs were assigned to the different members of the alumni. At a preliminary conference the alumnus reviewed some of the cases pending in his office and worked out a program to include some ten hours time. The program varied from law office to law office. But in general it began with an explanation to the law student of the manner in which a case progresses through a law office and how it is processed. There was usually a session in which the importance of legal ethics was stressed. Other activities included giving the students a chance to see how depositions are taken, how a motion is argued and similar matters which are routine for the lawyer but quite a novelty to most of the law students.

The consensus on the part of the students was that the opportunity was most worth while. The willingness of these busy practitioners to contribute this amount of time to the educational process was greatly appreciated by the College and the students. The program will be repeated during the spring semester 1965.

JOURNAL SEEKS WRITERS, READERS

The Hastings Law Journal, now in its sixteenth year of publication, devotes each issue to a survey of a topic of interest to California lawyers. Recent issues have discussed legal aspects of the Condominium, Occupational Licensing, Occupational Liabilities, and Mechanics Liens. Future issues will include discussion of problems of Integration and Unincorporated Non-Profit Associations. The emphasis in each issue is on the California law of the topic chosen. Occasional articles of merit dealing with subjects outside the issue topic are also published.

The subscription price for the Journal is five dollars per year; four issues are published each year. Alumni are urged to support the legal publication of their school by entering a subscription now. Creative alumni, who have something to say on a current legal topic, are invited to submit articles for publication in the Journal.

NOTES ABOUT YOUR FELLOW ALUMNI



R. FRANK CACCIA

'52 has been elected governor of the Pacific Central District of Optimist International. The Pacific Central District is composed of 95 clubs with 3100 members in Northern California, Utah and Nevada.

Caccia is married, has one child, and maintains his offices at 2595 Mission Street, San Francisco.

AWARD TO SVENSON

CARL W. SVENSON, '54, has been decorated with Sweden's Royal Order of Vasa and made a knight of that Order in recognition of his contributions to Swedish-American activities . . . Municipal JUDGE GOSCOE O. FARLEY, '37, former secretary of the Committee of Bar Examiners and former executive secretary of the Joint Judiciary Committee for the State Legislature, has been appointed to the Los Angeles Superior Court.

ALUMNI DEATHS

Former Solano Superior Court Judge JOSEPH M. RAINES, '02, at the age of 85 . . . The former Hastings Alumni Association President, NATHAN B. McVAY, '17 . . . BILL KIM, '59, in Honolulu of a heart attack at the age of 44.

NEW OFFICES

H. HERBERT JACKSON, '61, former Deputy District Attorney in Sacramento and Alameda County, in private practice at 901 S. Street, Sacramento . . . J. THOMAS TALBOT, '63, Gates and Talbot, 1545 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles . . . Retired Justice of the Third District Court of Appeal ANDREW R. SCHOTTKY, SR., '10, Malone, Dennis Schottky & Pearl, 930 G Street, Sacramento . . . JOSEPH W. COTCHETT, JR., '64, Ross & Webber, 1600 El Camino Real, San Bruno.

DEAN SCHABER A JUDGE

CLYDE DALTON, '43, has been elected president of the Lawyers Club of San Francisco . . . GORDON D. SCHABER, '52, Dean of McGeorge College of the Law, has been chairman of the Sacramento County Democratic Central Committee, has been appointed Judge of the Sacramento County Superior Court.

FROM HAWAII

DOUGLAS T. Y. LEE, '60, is now a partner in Rice & Lee, 735 Bishop St., Honolulu . . . WILLIAM P. O'CONNOR, '62, is assistant U. S. Attorney for the District of Hawaii . . . ALFRED WONG, '64, and PETER NG, '64, have passed the Hawaiian Bar . . . The new Democratic County Chairman for the Big Island of Hawaii is SHUNICHI "KIM" KIMURA, '61.

BAR OFFICERS

At the conclusion of the 37th annual meeting of the State Bar of California in Santa Monica, October 2, three alumni held new offices: STEVEN H. WELCH, '48, member of Carlson, Collins, Gordon and Bold of Martinez, and a senior member of the board of governors, was named by the board as a vice president for a term of a year; RICHARD A. FUIDGE '32 of Marysville, and A. HUBBARD MOFFITT JR., '33 of Alameda, were elected to the board of governors for three year terms.

ALUMNI OFFICERS

New officers of the Alumni Assn. elected at the State Bar meeting are: president—GRAYSON PRICE, '32 (Chico); vice presidents—ROBERT T. ADAMS, '35 (Reno), MARTIN E. FIELD, '41 (San Francisco), BEN K. LERER, '33 (San Francisco), JOHN W. PRESTON JR., '35 (Pasadena); vice president and secretary—KNEELAND H. LOBNER, '44 (Sacramento); treasurer—HAROLD S. DOBBS, '42 (San Francisco).

SUMMER OBSERVATION PROGRAM

To Hastings Alumni throughout the state, particularly San Francisco and Los Angeles, interested in employing a first rate second-year Hastings man (or woman) for the summer of 1965: The Office of Law Placement is now processing applications from students keenly interested and anxious for the experience of summer law office work. For further details call (431-8383) or write to Office of Law Placement, 198 McAllister, San Francisco, Calif. Resumes will be furnished on request.

ATTORNEYS WANTED

For information contact: Professor Marvin J. Anderson, Director of Law Placement, 198 McAllister St., San Francisco.

RECENT admittee interested in taking over Santa Rosa office. Owner will underwrite office expenses except attorney's support. #341.

YOUNG admittee interested in trial work, insurance defense work. Prepare cases for trial. Would like three years' experience. #342.

RECENT admittee of California Bar. Some past experience in navy, shipping. #343.

ATTORNEY for Fresno Office. Recent admittee who is primarily interested in research. #344.

WANTED member of California Bar. No experience required. Salary range \$565-\$677. #345.

ASSISTANT City Attorney. One year's experience and member of California Bar. #346.

RECENT law school graduate recently admitted to California Bar. L. A. #347.

MEMBER of California Bar with high scholastic record, wanted for Attorney General's Office in Sacramento. Salary open. #348.

WANTED Assistant District Attorney. Must have some public law experience and be a member of California Bar. #350.

ASSOCIATE Professor of Business Law. Teach Business Law, real estate law and basic corporation finance. Teaching course load (12 contact hours per week). J. D. or LL.B. with Master's in Business, Economics. Salary: \$6,600 to \$7,500. #351.

GRADUATE with good scholastic record. Must be a member of California Bar. Interested in administrative law work.

ATTORNEY admitted to California Bar for County Counsel's Office in Stockton. (Two openings. Salary: Open. #354.

WANTED recent California Bar admittee to be attorney with legal department of Insurance Co. in San Francisco. Also opening in Fresno. #355.

ATTORNEY General's Office in Sacramento interested in young attorney with high scholastic record. California admittee. #356.

ATTORNEY with tax firm. Must be member of California Bar and also a C.P.A. No experience necessary. San Francisco. Salary: Open. #357.

WANTED Attorney (temporary) to work with Mr. Walker of the C.E.B. on the Annual Tax Highlight Workbook. Must be member of California Bar and have done well in the tax course. San Francisco. #358.

ATTORNEY with corporation. Must be member of California Bar with about 4 to 8 years experience in general practice. Salary: Open. #359.

JUNIOR Counsel—Public Defenders Office. Must have active membership in California State Bar. Salary: \$671-\$797. #360.

WANTED Corporation law attorney with LA Finance Co. Experience not essential. No court work but considerable corporation finance and general corporation work. Salary range: \$550-\$750. #361.

ATTORNEY in Wilshire-La Cienega area. One year experience. Member of California Bar. Good scholastic background, general practice with personal injury emphasis. #362.

YOUNG California admittee. Graduated upper 1/3 of class. Partnership potential. #363.

WANT Attorney for trial work. Recent admittee interested in trial work. Must have solid class record. S. F. Peninsula. #364.

PART TIME District Attorney for Mariposa County. Member of California Bar (recent admittee). #365.

WANTED recent Bar Admittee for Crescent City firm. #366.

ASSISTANT District Attorney for Santa Cruz. Must be admitted to Calif. Bar. Recent admittee acceptable. Salary range: \$610-\$742. #368.

HASTINGS' PLACEMENT PROGRAM EXPLAINED

by Marvin J. Anderson
Director of Law Placement

(See page one for picture and biographical sketch)

At the present the Hastings Placement Office has divided its program into the following categories: *The Senior Placement Program*, where effort is concentrated on campus interviews. To date some thirty-nine firms have participated with several others scheduled. Students with special interests; patent law, tax work, international law; engineering, accounting, and chemical backgrounds are given special attention.

The second major category involves the *Summer Observation Program*; contact is made with firms throughout the city and state interested in students who have completed their second year and are looking for summer work. Financial arrangements are made between the student and the firm. The firm agrees to submit an evaluation report on the student's work to be used as a basis for possible postgraduate employment and as a guide in conferences with the placement office. It is in this area where the alumni can render a great and lasting service to the school and the legal profession.

The third category involves the *graduate pre-admittee*; the student who has taken the state bar examination and is waiting for the results. The pre-admittee program is geared to present to interested firms the merit of employing the graduate as a law clerk immediately after taking the bar, pointing out the value of familiarizing the graduate with its office procedure and practice at a lower wage during this interim period. After passing the bar, the student will be eminently better qualified and more valuable as an attorney with the firm because of this experience.

The fourth category involves the *Alumni placement program*, a continuing service to

both the profession and the applicant available to all Hastings Alumni. Alumni are encouraged to participate both as applicants and employers in this service.

THE MECHANICS OF PLACEMENT

The first step is creating a file on each applicant. His scholastic record, extra-curricular activities, personal background, evaluation reports by the faculty, and past employment record (full or part time) are included. The Placement Office expects a great deal from the student in terms of cooperation, such as the submission of a carefully considered "resume," and information on employment opportunities which he has uncovered.

The acceleration and promotion of an aggressive on-campus interview program is a vital part of an effective placement program. This involves a careful listing of applicants qualified for the interviewer's offering, and a thorough preparation in terms of facilities, promptness and regularity of interview schedules; resumes submitted on each interviewee well in advance of the interview. Conversely, the student should also know something about the type of firm, nature of its practice and other relevant material. These are extremely important as the impression that is made in an interview is probably more important than any other single factor in securing the desired position.

It is important for the applicant to keep in mind that self-confidence and assurance are prime requisites. Regardless of the weaknesses that one may feel, a Hastings man has been exposed to a superb legal education and has many abilities and qualities

of great value to the prospective employer. Remember that one is a professional man talking to a professional man. Frankness and accuracy are the criteria of such individuals. Success in getting the position will depend not only on law school grades (which admittedly are extremely important) but also on maturity, personality, contacts, and ability to "sell" oneself. All law firms are interested in the impression a man makes; his character and integrity, his interest in the law, his ability to get along with people, his common sense and judgment and his initiative and resourcefulness. It should be kept in mind that most firms are trying to hire future partners, not mere law clerks, and are looking for qualities that give a man a high potential for future success.

To be truly effective, the Placement Office must include every student, graduate and alumnus. You are all a vital part of the Placement Office, nor do your responsibilities terminate with your own placement. Keep your placement data up-to-date. Notify the Placement Office if you secure a position, or hear of other openings. Remember your fellow students, your fellow graduates, and your fellow alumni.

CONCLUSION

It must be kept in mind that the essential need is a recognition of the continuity of the responsibility of the law school, the student, and the graduate embodied in the name "Hastings." If Hastings is to fulfil its function as the incubator of the practicing bar, it must develop a meaningful and effective method of assuring that its products are fitted into the profession.



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