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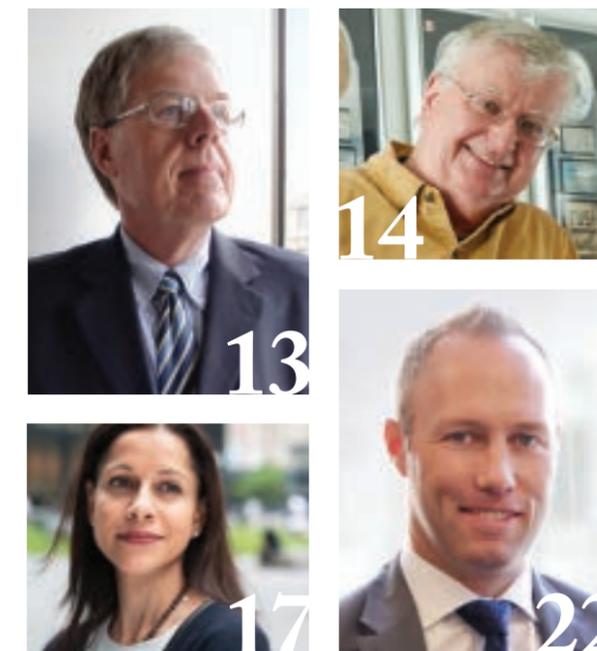
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A YEAR OF PRODUCTIVE CHANGE

It has been another busy year for all of us at Western Law.

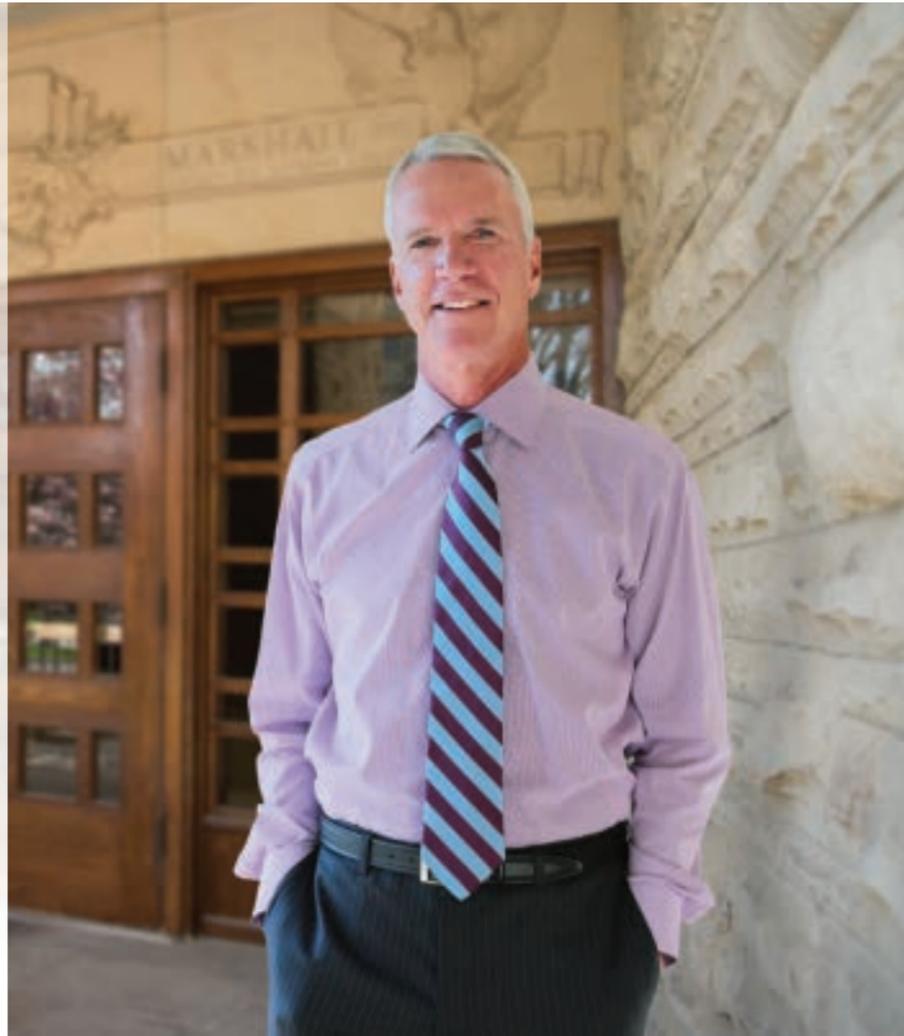
With our new strategic plan in place, we are engaged in an ambitious renewal program. Focused on curriculum reform, we are committed to our goal to be the pre-eminent business law school in Canada.

Our first year students will have the option this year of enrolling in corporate law in their winter term. This option will allow students more academic flexibility to pursue other courses in their upper years and will be an opportunity unique to Western Law.

We have introduced curricular streams for our students to help them plan their academic and future careers. An important part of this change will be the introduction of capstone courses for our 3L students. These courses will combine theoretical and practical considerations and provide students with the insights and instruction of experienced practitioners, as well as leading academics and judges.

I am also delighted to report that we have finished the third and final year of the extensive renovations to the school itself. The changes completed this past year include another student commons area and a greatly expanded and upgraded Chambers. We have retrofitted one of our classrooms with the latest technology in order to provide our instructors and students with the best tools for innovative teaching and classroom experiences.

Although they will be missed as colleagues, we were proud to see two members of our faculty, Grant Huscroft and Bradley Miller, appointed to the Ontario Court of Appeal this year in recognition of their high regard within the legal



community. It is also with pleasure that we have announced the appointment of Professor Christopher Nicholls as the W. Geoff Beattie Chair in Corporate Law. Chris is a distinguished scholar and leader of our business law program.

We are pleased to welcome two new additions to our faculty – Kate Glover and Jacob Shelly. Kate and Jacob are distinguished young scholars who I know will contribute to the revitalization and strengthening of our faculty.

Finally, I wish to extend my thanks and appreciation to alumni and other friends of Western Law who have shared advice and guidance and provided financial support, allowing us to meet our strategic goals and objectives. In particular, the generous contributions of Yamana Gold and Catalyst Capital will help us be at the

forefront in developing dynamic academic, interdisciplinary and experiential programs for our students in sustainable resource development and financial restructuring.

We are committed to providing the best legal education and collegial student experience, allowing students to thrive at Western Law, as well as personally and professionally following graduation.

IAIN SCOTT
Dean

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NEW CURRICULUM TO PROVIDE INCREASED LEARNING OPTIONS



Western Law is excited to announce several changes to its curriculum beginning in the 2015-16 academic year. These changes are intended to expand students' options and provide greater opportunities for advanced, active and experiential learning.

“We're committed to introducing enhancements to our JD program to ensure our students have the curricular and co-curricular experiences they need to succeed in their chosen careers,” says Dean Iain Scott.

Starting in the fall of 2015, first-year students will take a new, blended course entitled “Orientation to Law & the Legal System.” The course introduces students to foundational legal concepts and skills through online modules and short writing exercises, as well as hands-on alternative dispute resolution training.

In upper years, students will gain additional opportunities to practise their professional writing skills through a new writing requirement.

In addition, a series of curricular streams have been developed to provide students with informal guidance on the courses and co-curricular activities they may wish to pursue in light of their interests and career aspirations.

Also in 2015-16, first-year students will have the option of taking corporate law in their winter term, an opportunity unique among Canadian law schools.

“The approach to legal education continues to evolve in Canada,” says Associate Dean Erika Chamberlain, who oversaw the curriculum changes. “Western Law is actively engaged in this debate and at the forefront of exposing our students to a diverse, interdisciplinary and rigorous academic experience.”

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ERIKA CHAMBERLAIN

GRADUATE STUDENT CONFERENCE EXAMINES BOUNDARIES OF LAW

Is law a positive tool for regulating actions or a coercive force and a means of perpetuating inequalities – or both? Those were some of the questions debated and discussed at Western Law's first Interdisciplinary Graduate Student conference, held May 21-22.

The conference, "Law: Helping Hand or Iron Fist?," encouraged scholars to identify, examine, and challenge the potential boundaries of law and its positive and negative aspects.

The conference was the initiative of Western Law PhD candidate Kirsten Stefanik, who acted as chair and organized the conference with assistance from other Western Law graduate students.

"It was an excellent forum for emerging scholars to develop new ideas, concepts, and approaches to law and other disciplines," says Stefanik.

"Hearing ideas from such a wide range of young scholars was very inspiring. There are no problems that can be solved with just one field of expertise. That's what made the conference so exciting."

Graduate students came from across Canada, the U.S. and as far as Brazil to discuss the intersection between law and other disciplines and present on a vast array of issues. Disciplines represented included history, political science, gender studies, and applied mathematics.

Panels included Environment and the Law, Gender and Reproductive Rights, Religious and Cultural Freedoms and Exercise of State Power.

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KIRSTEN STEFANIK

THE JUSTICE AND JURISPRUDENCE OF REPARATIONS



ADRIENNE DAVIS

In her 2015 Coxford Lecture, Professor Adrienne Davis posed the question what, if anything, can the law do to undo the wrongs and harms of slavery?

Davis, the Vice-Provost and William M. Van Cleve Professor of Law at Washington University in St. Louis, delivered the annual public law lecture to a full house at Western Law on March 3.

She discussed the issue of reparations for the wrongs associated with the system of slavery in the United States and explored various models of black reparations, including restorative, corrective and transitional justice.

"Her talk brought together reflections on the history of slavery, public and private law doctrine, and legal theory in a remarkable way," said Professor Andrew Botterell, the lecture organizer.

Davis first outlined the idea that the wrongs of slavery can be remedied in the way in which other private wrongs are remedied, namely by the payment of compensatory damages.

But Davis rejected this general approach to reparations on the grounds that the so-called private law, or corrective justice, model is inadequate to fully account for the wrongs of slavery and because it is not clear on that model whether descendants of slaves have standing to sue.

"The corrective justice model misconceives the fundamental injuries of slavery," she argued. "The model turns to the market as opposed to the criminal system or political process to rectify injuries and vindicate entitlements."

Davis explored principles of transitional justice and argued that in a very real sense the United States has never fully come to terms with its history of slavery, and as a result has not fully transitioned from an illiberal to a liberal state.

She concluded that the best lens through which to view the wrongs and harms of slavery is that of transitional justice.

"Transitional Justice is fundamentally about the political identity of states and their members," she said. "Final responsibility lies with the state."

"To my mind," Botterell said, "Professor Davis' lecture reflected everything that makes her scholarship so exciting and challenging, including its attention to historical detail and its recognition of the importance of thinking about the nature of justice in new ways."

The annual Coxford lecture is generously supported by Western Law alumnus Stephen Coxford '77.

FRANCIS ARGUES FOR CANADA/U.S. ECONOMIC UNION AT CUSLI LECTURE

What if Canada and the United States merged into one country? Award-winning journalist Diane Francis explored this intriguing and provocative topic before a full house at the annual Canada-U.S. Law Institute Distinguished Lecture.

In her lecture "Merger of the Century: Why Canada and America should become one country" (also the title of her latest book), Francis argued that a union between the two nations not only makes good economic sense, but that it's inevitable.

Francis laid out a compelling business case for a union, saying it would be the best option for the two countries to survive the new economic reality.

"In order for Canada and the United States to keep their standard of living and maintain national security, a merger between Canada and the United States has to be considered," she says.

She argues that Canada can neither defend itself nor amass the capital to develop its natural resources because "Canada has a balkanized economy; we don't have a big national market."

Francis proposes that Canada create a Canadian equivalent of the U.S. Interstate Commerce Commission to unify Canada's fragmented market.

But combined with the U.S., she says, the two countries would be the "superpower of superpowers."

Francis is Editor-at-Large with the *Financial Post* and the author of 10 books. She is currently a Distinguished Professor at Ryerson University's Ted Rogers School of Management.

"The question of a Canada/U.S. merger always lingers and has tantalized the Canadian imagination from time to time," said Professor Chi Carmody, Canadian Director of the Canada-United States Law Institute. "Diane took that issue to the foreground in an exciting new way."



CHI CARMODY AND DIANE FRANCIS

LAW GRAD AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS FELLOWSHIP

Chelsea Smith '15 has been awarded the prestigious Richard J. Schmeelk Canada Fellowship.

The fellowship is available to students who desire to pursue graduate studies in Canada's other official language.

The value of the award is \$10,000 a term for up to four terms of study.

Smith will study Civil Law at Université Laval in Quebec City as part of the Western-Laval Joint Program. In addition to the JD and

Diplôme de français juridique she received at her recent convocation, she will also receive her LLB in Quebec civil law in Spring 2016.

Throughout her studies, Smith has been on the Dean's honour list and has been very active in sports, campus life and volunteer work, including founding the Western Law French Society. She earned her undergraduate degree in English Language & Literature and French from Huron University College where she was a Gold Medallist.

Smith says she enjoys the challenge of learning the two separate Canadian legal systems and the challenge of studying law in a second language.

"French has always been a passion of mine and I'm thrilled to be able to continue



CHELSEA SMITH

this passion during law school and as I start my legal career," she says.

"I'm very pleased Western Law, Université Laval and The Schmeelk Canada Foundation recognize the importance of bilingualism and the advantages of knowing both Canadian legal systems," adds Smith.

WESTERN LAW PROFESSOR ASSUMES GOVERNMENT ROLE IN REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA

Anna Dolidze has been appointed Deputy Minister for Defence of the Republic of Georgia in the former Soviet Union.

Dolidze is on a one year leave of absence from Western Law while she serves in this position.

Her responsibilities will primarily be in the area of human rights and will also include international relations and international law activities of the Ministry, cooperation with NATO, and the rights of veterans.

“This position provides a unique opportunity to give back to Georgia and to contribute my knowledge and experience to it becoming a prosperous, peaceful, democratic, rights and rule of law based state,” says Dolidze.

“As a legal academic I am thrilled at a chance to formulate and impact public policy within a team of highly professional and dedicated colleagues.”

Dolidze received her law degree cum laude from Tbilisi State University, Masters in International Law from Leiden University and a doctorate from Cornell University.

She has served at a number of international and non-governmental organizations, including Human Rights Watch, the Russian Justice Initiative, and Save the Children.

In 2004-2006 she was President of the Georgian Young Lawyers’ Association, the largest legal advocacy organization in the Republic of Georgia.



ANNA DOLIDZE

Dolidze joined Western Law in 2012 under the Scholars at Risk Network, an initiative that brings scholars facing severe human rights abuses in their home region to positions at universities, colleges

and research centres in a safe country. Western Law was the first faculty of law in Canada to invite and host a legal scholar through this program.

STUDENT MOOT SUCCESS

The Western Law team of Sean Lewis and William Samson-Doel took first-place in the 2015 Ontario Trial Association Lawyers Association (OTLA) cup. The prize is awarded to law students who exemplify the best in trial advocacy. Congratulations as well to team members Kristen Ogden and Robert Alfieri (alternates) and coaches Andrew Camman and Joyce Thomas.



MR. JUSTICE BRIAN ABRAMS, WILL SAMSON-DOEL, SEAN LEWIS, AND OTLA DIRECTOR DEREK NICHOLSON

NOBEL PRIZE WINNER DELIVERS ANNUAL WESTERN LAW BUSINESS AND LAW LECTURE



MYRON SCHOLES

“Many students who met Prof. Scholes when he last visited the law school described the experience as one of the highlights of their time at Western Law.”

CHRISTOPHER NICHOLLS

Western Law was pleased to welcome Nobel Prize-winning economist Myron Scholes on March 31 to deliver the 6th Annual Western Law Business and Law Lecture, part of Western Law’s Torys LLP Corporate and Securities Law Forum. Scholes spoke on “The Costs of Constraints: Risk Management, Agency Theory and Asset Prices,” based on a paper he co-authored with Ashwin Alankar and Peter Blaustein.

The key to these pricing anomalies, Scholes argued, may actually lie in rational decisions made by sophisticated investment managers who are subject to specific investment constraints of tracking error or liquidity. In other words, pricing anomalies are not the result of mysterious hidden risks or irrational behavioral anomalies.

Instead, “investment managers rationally chose to hold inefficient portfolios to meet investment constraints,” said Scholes. And of course if many investment managers face the same constraints, they will, rationally, demand the same (high volatility) assets. That demand, in turn, will drive up the price of those assets, higher than the prices predicted in standard asset-pricing models that assume that market players are not subject to such constraints.

The implications of this research are significant. The costs of benchmarking and tracking error constraints, as Scholes

demonstrated, could be very significant and have important implications for investors, the investment management industry, and, by extension, the legal and regulatory environment in which they operate.

“Myron Scholes is one of the most important economists and innovative thinkers of our time,” said Professor Christopher Nicholls, noting that this was Scholes’ second visit to Western Law. “Many students who met Prof. Scholes when he last visited the law school described the experience as one of the highlights of their time at Western Law. I’m pleased to say that his visit last Tuesday was equally exciting for our current cohort of students and for many other members of the Western community.”

The Western Law Business and Law Lecture was originally launched thanks to a generous gift from Western alum Geoff Beattie, LLB’84. Past speakers in this distinguished lecture series include two other Nobel Prize-winning economists—Robert Shiller and George Akerlof—as well as Leo E. Strine Jr., Chief Justice of the Delaware Supreme Court; Lawrence Summers, former U.S. Treasury Secretary; and President Emeritus of Harvard University, and prominent Yale University economist Gary Gorton.

TWO FORMER WESTERN LAW PROFESSORS APPOINTED TO ONTARIO'S TOP COURT

Former Western Law professors Grant Huscroft and Bradley Miller have been appointed to serve on the Court of Appeal for Ontario.

"These prestigious appointments are a great reflection on the strength and depth



BRADLEY MILLER

of the public law scholarship and academic program at the Faculty," says Dean Iain Scott. "They've both made major contributions to important constitutional law issues and have been tremendous colleagues. I know they will contribute greatly in their new public service roles," Scott adds.

Grant Huscroft was appointed to the Court of Appeal in December. Bradley Miller was appointed to the Ontario Superior Court of Justice in December and promoted to the Court of Appeal in June.

They established the Public Law and Legal Philosophy Research Group at Western in 2008. The group attracted some of the world's top legal scholars to Western to collaborate on projects related to constitutional interpretation, judicial reasoning, and philosophy of law.

"We're very proud that two such highly esteemed legal scholars from Western have been appointed to the bench and we wish them well in this exciting new chapter of their careers," says Western University President Amit Chakma.

Both have published widely in constitutional law and constitutional theory. Additionally, Huscroft is a noted administrative law scholar.



GRANT HUSCROFT

They are the editors (along with Grégoire Webber) of *Proportionality and the Rule of Law: Rights, Justification, Reasoning*, recently published by Cambridge University Press and *The Challenge of Originalism: Theories of Constitutional Interpretation* (CUP 2011).

"It was a pleasure to work in public law at Western, and a privilege to have worked with so many fine scholars and students over my academic career," says Huscroft.

"Western has provided a fantastic platform for engagement in public law and I'm enormously proud of the work we have done over the past 10 years," says Miller.

WORK-LIFE BALANCE EXPLORED AT CONFERENCE

The balance between caregiving and paid employment, particularly as experienced by women and mothers, was the focus of a conference coordinated by Western Law professor Gillian Demeyere.

The conference, "Carrying the Motherload: Women, Families, and Work" was hosted at The Department of Women's Studies and Feminist Research (WSFR) at Western on April 10 and featured a number of Western Law alumnae, professors and students.

The speakers, from a range of intersecting disciplines, raised challenging issues of gender roles, legal and social expectations of mothers in the labour force, and how successful careers and motherhood are combined.

"In a time when the pressures on mothers and employees are ever-increasing and evolving, it is important to examine both the challenges and the successes that working mothers have experienced," said Demeyere, the Daryl T. Bean Research Chair in

Law and Women's Studies.

"This conference was dedicated to considering issues in motherhood and work, and their significance for women, partners, children, employers, policy-makers and courts," she said.

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GILLIAN DEMEYERE

ACCESS TO JUSTICE SYMPOSIUM FOCUSES ON SRLS

Western Law's second annual Access to Justice Symposium focused on the growing issue of self-represented litigants (SRLs) in the family courts. The conference, held in March, brought together a diverse group of stakeholders and lawyers, to discuss the challenges that are caused — and faced — by SRLs.

Windsor Law Professor Julie Macfarlane's keynote address introduced the National Self-Represented Litigants Project and presented findings from the research study. Macfarlane noted that a troublingly high percentage of litigants in the family court system are self-represented. Self-representation can be difficult and even traumatic for litigants, and burdensome for the court.

Participants at the symposium worked in groups to discuss some of the problems inherent to the SRL phenomenon, and to envision solutions. These solutions included promoting mediation over litigation; offering



JULIE MACFARLANE

"unbundled" services to SRLs; carefully managing the expectations of SRLs and clients alike; offering interdisciplinary services to potential litigants; and creating self-help materials and resources in plain language and accessible formats.

While the discussions that evolved over the course of the day represented many differing points of view, there was

consensus on at least one issue: SRLs are here to stay, for better or worse, and it is the responsibility of family law practitioners to ensure their access to justice.

"Access to justice is the legal issue of this generation," said Community Legal Services director Doug Ferguson, "and faith in the justice system is crucial for the health of our democracy."

CLASS OF 2015 CELEBRATED

Dean Iain Scott congratulated the Class of 2015 and welcomed family, friends and special guests to the school's annual law awards ceremony held June 17.

Scott told the grads there is one simple message he wanted them to embrace: that with the passage into a great profession comes a responsibility.

"You've been blessed with a healthy mix of smarts and, of course, an excellent education," he said. "Use your talents and energy as global citizens for the good of all of society."

Paul Beeston, President of the Toronto Blue Jays, was the ceremony's guest speaker. He encouraged the newly minted JDs not to be afraid of failure and to take chances when opportunities present themselves.

Beeston's humorous and heartfelt address was peppered with inspirational quotes from Shakespeare to Springsteen and included one from baseball legend Jackie Robinson: "A life is not important except on the impact it has on others' lives."

In addressing the grads, he also quoted the American author Marilyn vos Savant: "To acquire knowledge, one must study; but to acquire wisdom, one must observe."

He told the Class of 2015 to discover their own personal brand and to ensure that brand includes treating people with fairness, respect and honesty.

"Giving back is a duty and a reward," said Beeston. "Your formal education may be over, but your ability as leaders is just beginning."



PAUL BEESTON

WESTERN LAW WELCOMES NEW PROFESSORS

Western Law is pleased to announce the appointment of Kate Glover and Jacob Shelley as assistant professors at the Faculty of Law beginning July 1, 2015.

"We're delighted to have young scholars such as Kate and Jacob join our faculty," says Dean Iain Scott. "Their rich academic backgrounds will enhance our commitment to the student experience and academic excellence at the school."

Glover's research interests include public law, procedure, and legal theory and methods. To date, her scholarship has been driven by questions about constitutional law and change, legal pluralism, institutional design, comparative law, and legal education.

Glover, who will be teaching administrative law this coming year, has been published in the *McGill Law Journal*, the *Supreme Court Law Review*, the *Alberta Law Review*, the *Revue de droit de l'Université de Sherbrooke* and the *Constitutional Forum*.

The recipient of numerous academic awards, Glover was named a Vanier Scholar (2012-2015); an O'Brien Fellow in Human Rights and Legal Pluralism (2010-2012); and McGill University Faculty of Law's Ian Pilarczyk Teaching Fellow (2011-2013).

She holds an LLM (University of Cambridge); LLB (Dalhousie); BA in Philosophy (McGill); and is currently completing her doctorate at McGill's Faculty of Law. Her doctoral dissertation, "The Stories We Tell: The Supreme Court of Canada in a Pluralistic World," examines the present and future significance of national high courts in a legally complex and socially diverse world.

Glover served as a law clerk to the Honourable Justice Abella at the Supreme Court of Canada (2009-2010) and practised civil and public law litigation at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, with an emphasis on files in administrative and regulatory law.

Jacob Shelley has been jointly hired as an assistant professor with the Faculty of Law and the School of Health Studies in the Faculty of Health Sciences. Shelley, who will teach Healthcare Law and Policy, also holds a cross appointment to the Schulich Interfaculty



KATE GLOVER



JACOB SHELLEY

Masters Program in Public Health.

His primary area of interest is the proper limits and role of law in promoting public health and preventing chronic disease. In addition, he is generally interested in issues that arise at the interface of law, health science, and ethics.

Shelley is completing his doctorate (SJD) at the University of Toronto, where he was a Vanier Fellow with the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. His doctoral thesis examines the use of private law in obesity prevention. He also holds an LL.M. and LLB (Alberta); BA in Religious Studies

(Waterloo); and a Master of Theological Studies (Conrad Grebel University College).

His other scholarships include: CIHR Health Law, Policy & Ethics Doctoral Award (2010-2014), and the Lupina Senior Doctoral Fellowship – Comparative Program on Health and Society, Munk School of Global Affairs, University of Toronto.

Shelley sits on the Advisory Committee on Ethical, Legal and Social Issues for the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging and is part of the Expert Advisory Committee, Canadian Children's Food Environment and Policy Report Card at the University of Alberta.

THE ACCIDENTAL GURU

Canada's renowned corporate lawyer James Turner, LLB' 74, generates lasting influence

BY DREW HASSELBACK



JAMES TURNER
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James Turner never studied securities law at Western. For many, this is hardly a sin. But for Turner, LLB' 74, it's an odd detail to hear from one of Canada's most influential securities lawyers.

"Law school taught me how to read law, how to learn and how to think like a lawyer," he said. "I think I got a very good legal education from Western. But I did not take any of the courses I should have taken if I was going to be a corporate lawyer. But it worked out in the end."

The only business law course Turner recalls taking at Western was company law, a required course that earned him one of his worst grades.

Growing up in London, Turner's father was a Western Psychology professor. He thought he might follow into academia, until a fraternity brother suggested they write the LSAT together. He scored high and decided to give law school a shot.

Even then, he thought he'd wind up practising law in his hometown.

At the time, the Bar Admission Course was only offered in Toronto. Since he'd spent six months there doing the course and writing the exams, Turner found an articling job in the GTA, as well. He'd missed most of the Bay Street interviews, but a last-minute

spot opened up at the firm now known as Torsys LLP. He got the job, passed his exams and then found himself called back to Torsys as an associate.

On Turner's first day of articles, he was presented with the corporate law statutes that are the standards of any Canadian corporate lawyer. One of these was a thick blue book called the *Securities Act* – a law he'd never even heard of.

"Your focus on law school would be totally different if you fully understood what you'd wind up practising," he said. "You can't be a corporate lawyer without understanding securities law. It's securities that are really driving everything."

Turner remained at Torsys, even becoming a partner in 1982, until a unique opportunity presented itself in 1987. The Ontario Securities Commission (OSC) decided to experiment with hiring an in-house general counsel. Most Bay Street lawyers scoffed at the position; Turner was intrigued at working for the regulator. His partners let him take a two-year sabbatical so he could take the OSC job.

"No one else wanted that job. But it seemed like an interesting thing to me. So, I got to the OSC, and all sorts of interesting things started to happen."

The stock market crashed. New corporate takeover laws were introduced. And Turner led the OSC into what would become one of the most important securities law hearings in Canadian corporate law.

In a transaction involving Canadian Tire, holders of multiple voting shares wanted to receive a takeover premium denied to subordinate shareholders. Turner successfully led an OSC challenge to the transaction as abusive. The case remains a foundation precedent on when regulators can exercise their public interest jurisdiction.

Turner returned to Torsys as something of a 'conquering hero.' The freshly minted LLB, who at one time had never heard of the Securities Act, had become a corporate law guru – and the firm was quick to market him to clients as such. Turner emerged as one of the most powerful mergers-and-acquisitions lawyers on Bay Street.

"That's really when my career took off," Turner said. "The guy with no corporate securities experience is suddenly the expert."

In 2007, he was appointed a vice-chair of the OSC. As such, he was responsible for advising the commission on policy behind closed doors and presiding over public hearings. As the largest securities regulator in the country, OSC decisions are read and occasionally applied by other provincial regulators. Turner has authored numerous decisions that have modified or clarified the law on securities matters.

Turner officially retired from the OSC in February 2015. Perhaps his last quasi-official act was to don black tie and receive the 2015 Canadian General Counsel Award (CGCA) for Lifetime Achievement, at the CGCA gala in June 2015, one of the highest accolades a corporate lawyer can receive in this country.

Once a self-professed workaholic, he has no plans to return to the active practice of corporate law.

Nevertheless, for years to come, securities lawyers, regulators and students across Canada will study Turner's rulings. And they're all coming from a guy who spent three years at Western Law without even knowing there's a thing called the Securities Act. **WL**

Drew Hasselback (LLB, 1996) is *Legal Post Editor at the Financial Post in Toronto*.

BY PAUL CANTIN

Bob Farmer wants to make a point about the intersection of law and magic, so it's no surprise when he reaches for a deck of cards.

He offered the deck for inspection, cut in four random cards face up and tapped the back of the deck. He then fanned the cards to show that his indiscriminate face-up cards were now, neatly, four aces.

For Farmer, this demonstration was more than a trick. It was an illustration of his two disparate passions – the law and magic. To him, the law is making a credible case; magic is making the case for the incredible.

"In magic, you have a series of events which are, to you, completely ordinary. There's nothing unusual about them," he said. "But you want the audience to interpret those events as impossible. But it is possible – because I just did it."

Since he graduated from the Faculty of Law in 1975, Farmer has called on a deep legal knowledge of everything from copyright to cabotage as legal counsel to some of the most storied names in rock 'n' roll – Rush, Van Halen, Queensrÿche and Max Webster. As legal counsel to SRO Management and Anthem Records, he has helped the small Canadian company become a major player in the international music scene.

The Brockville, Ont., native – and current resident – also maintains an active presence in the international magic fraternity. His most recent book is *The Bammo Ten Card Deal Dossier*, a 400-page history of gambling and card tricks, published by Western Law grad and fellow magician David Ben, LLB '87.

The two worlds serve him well, colleagues say.

"Magic is trickery – so are lawyers," laughed Pegi Cecconi, Vice-President of SRO/Anthem. "Farmer has trickery. The magic is, he has a great command of the English language. He writes plain, but it is magic."

Farmer learned sleight of hand from his parents – mom showed him a card trick when he was 5; dad hooked him on ropes and coins. He devoured books and mailed away for tricks to magic shops in the United States. Then, by his mid-teens, rock 'n' roll joined his list of non-scholastic passions.

At school, he concedes he was somewhat less dedicated. "I liked pulling pranks. I would

end up for hours in the principal's office," Farmer said.

He studied philosophy, film, social science and game theory as an undergrad at Western. After graduation, a friend convinced him law school should come next as it offered balance for his sideline as a guitarist in a rock band.

"I got into law school for all the wrong reasons," he said. "I had no intention of becoming a lawyer."

The reality and discipline required by law school was a shock, but it didn't curb his penchant for pranks. He once replaced all the law faculty building's photos of prominent alumni with images he cut from a monster movie magazine (nobody noticed, he claims) and when a page from *Mad Magazine* he'd clipped to a bulletin board offended a faculty member, he says he snuck into the professor's office and wallpapered it with copies of the cartoon.

As law school graduation closed in, he focused on bankruptcy and copyright law. The latter, he believed, might connect to his passion for music. Current Governor General of Canada David Johnson, who was then Dean of Western Law, wrote Farmer's letter of recommendation for post-graduate studies in the United Kingdom.

"I was studying intellectual property law at the London School of Economics and University College, but I spent most of my time in magic shops, talking to magicians. It was like a post-graduate degree in magic," he said.

Farmer returned to Canada and articulated with a London, Ont. firm. By 1978, when he was assigned to handle the patent process for a dairy farmer's cow manure machine, he knew he needed a change. Fate intervened when he learned a local band needed legal advice on their first record deal.

That group was The Demics, an early Canadian punk act.

The fun of that process drew him to Toronto, where he joined the practice of Canadian entertainment law legend Bernie Solomon. In that role, a contract negotiation for Coney Hatch, an up-and-coming heavy rock band, led Farmer into a meeting with the band's label chief, Ray Danniels, who built SRO/Anthem on the success of Canadian rockers Rush.

"(Farmer) was the first lawyer that asked smart questions," Cecconi said.

"He understood the music business. He understood the record deal. He didn't waste ►

THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT

The legal power behind Rush,
Bob Farmer, LLB '75,
has a few tricks up his sleeve

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BOB FARMER



ILLUSTRATION BY FRANK NEUFELD

anybody’s time. He was a good lawyer that way.”

SRO/Anthem soon reached out to Farmer with another problem. A Canadian label had gone bankrupt, and the trustee was holding studio master tapes by SRO artist Ian Thomas. With his background in bankruptcy and copyright, did Farmer have any ideas about how to get the tapes back?

Farmer met with the trustee and, with a magician’s flare for the dramatic, offered to pay \$1 for the treasured tapes. The trustee scoffed. Farmer says he told the trustee:

“(SRO) owns the music publishing, but not the recordings. We are not going to give a licence to anybody. If you sell it to anyone else, all they can do is cut the tape up and make it into guitar picks.”

The trustee consulted with his own lawyers and sold the tapes for a favourable price.

Soon after, Cecconi and Danniels hired Farmer as SRO/Anthem’s in-house lawyer in 1982.

“The fact he is a lawyer is secondary. He is just a very, very smart person. I don’t think he could hold a real job,” Cecconi said.

Farmer’s magician’s perspective may give him a leg up when dealing with sharp-elbowed American lawyers as well. In the days before computers, when he would

submit an agreed contract for signing, he would mark the papers with invisible ink just to ensure the contract hadn’t been secretly rewritten with booby-trap clauses.

His work with SRO/Anthem led him into some unlikely scenarios, including accompanying Toronto police on an

undercover raid of bootleg merchandisers outside a Rush concert at Maple Leaf Gardens. Both U.S. presidential candidate Rand Paul and talk radio host Rush Limbaugh have tried to co-opt Rush’s music to their right-wing political activities, and both have been on the receiving end of scolding legal interventions from Farmer. He has had to deal with everything from the intricacies of immigration law for touring acts to exploring the impact of new digital technologies.

“Is it glamorous? No. But it is really, really interesting,” he said. “With this company, it is never ‘fill-in-the-blanks.’”

He looks back fondly on his time at Western. But, he says, his professional experience has revealed a flaw in legal education.

“(The law) is taught in the adversarial model. If you are in court, you are already in trouble. The message there is one guy loses, one guy wins,” Farmer said. “In business, you

can’t have that. There is no such thing as entertainment law. There is only law in the service of entertainment.” **WL**

Paul Cantin is a writer based in Toronto. He saw Rush on the A Farewell to Kings tour in Winnipeg, 1977.

REDEFINING THE PRACTICE

Reva Seth, LLB’01, forcing profession to deal with career-family disconnect

BY NICOLE VISSCHEDYK

Reva Seth, LLB’01, tells the story of a successful young Bay Street lawyer she met during one of her career coaching sessions.

The woman had hidden her pregnancy from her Bay Street boss. Suffering from severe morning sickness, she was forced to routinely slip out during meetings. Her boss, concerned the frequent trips to the bathroom were due to a drug problem, got HR involved. When the young lawyer finally came clean about her pregnancy, her boss told her that it would have been easier if she’d been an addict, rather than simply pregnant.

Seth, the author of *The MomShift: Women Share their Stories of Career Success After Having Children*, says this type of experience is common in many firms.

Bay Street is behind the times when it comes to maximizing the potential of female lawyers. But Seth believes seismic shifts in the legal industry away from permanent jobs toward more alternative employment trajectories may have a silver lining for lawyers who want to combine a career with family life. ▶



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REVA SETH

➤ “(For new graduates), it’s going to be inherently different and it’s not just working moms who will be dealing with it,” Seth says. “As we see partnership get stretched out to tenth- and eleventh-year associates, people are going to have to be way more creative in terms of how they map out their careers.

It means experimenting with how your career works.”

In the course of researching her book, Seth interviewed more than 500 women, many of them lawyers who chose a diverse range of career paths. She outlines a common scenario of a woman who went from work in private practice, to work for a hospital, and then on to the Ontario public sector.

Seth says the traditional direct route up the career ladder – articling student to

senior partner – may be an option that is less and less available to recent graduates, who, instead, will need to find more circuitous career pathways to be successful in the legal profession.

For many lawyers, even at larger firms, the professional world is now one of serial employment contracts. Seth says the legal profession needs to embrace this new reality of self-promotion and strategic partnerships. “It’s still a very old-school profession when you compare law firms with any start-up.”

Seth herself has found success in an alternative career path.

She articulated at Dentons LLP and chose to leave a guaranteed hire-back to pursue a job in municipal policy at the City of Toronto.

She then moved to the United Kingdom. Seth started 7 Step Communications, a virtual PR agency, before the birth of her first child. She returned to Canada and has written extensively. Her customized career path has allowed her to work from her downtown Toronto home, something she sees as a personal priority.

Her law degree from Western has helped her immeasurably.

“Having a law degree gives you a different level of credibility,” she says. “When it comes to running your own consultancy, it makes you far more commercially viable.”

Seth, who is also the author of *First Comes Marriage: Modern Relationship Advice from the Wisdom of Arranged Marriages*, says her legal education trained

her to think critically about ideas, including alternative views on cultural issues.

While young lawyers need to embrace more flexible career paths, law firms themselves must also change if they want to retain their best and brightest female lawyers, she says. “The classic Bay Street system was designed by men, for men with stay-at-home spouses.”

Many law firms are saying all the right things – they are signing on to Law Society initiatives to support female lawyers, she explains. But there is still a major disconnect for people looking to balance family and career.

“In the boardrooms, they are professing a view they want to progress on this issue. But then why the disconnect in the hallway?”

Seth believes this comes down to a failure to recognize the long-term value of women.

When she looks at the future for women in law, Seth is optimistic. She sees a young generation of lawyers focused on the quality of work and not just face-time at the office. Seth sees them redefining their careers and finding alternatives to make their job success align with their family success.

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Nicole Visschedyk is a freelance writer who finds investigating the lives of interesting people to be fascinating.

IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

McInnis, LLB '90, helping fuel future of Big Three automaker

BY SUSANNA EAYRS

Victoria McInnis's career has been an interesting ride. McInnis, LLB '90, joined General Motors Canada as a tax lawyer in 1995, after several years at McCarthy Tétrault LLP. Her plan was to work in-house for a few years to gain business perspective and then return to law firm practice.

Twenty years later, her work with GM has been so challenging and varied, that McInnis is still driven to move the business forward.

As Vice-President of Tax and Audit, she oversees the company's tax and customs strategy, planning and operations, as well as an internal audit department tasked with ensuring the company meets its governance and compliance commitments.

Working at a multi-national company offers so many opportunities. In fact, McInnis feels she's had several careers within the same company.

In addition to her start at GM Canada in Oshawa, she spent four years in Switzerland leading GM's European tax operations. Since, she has "clawed her way to Detroit," she says with a laugh.

Chief Tax Officer for the company for the past six years, McInnis was asked earlier this year to also take on the company's global internal audit function, building her team to more than 500 lawyers, accountants and audit professionals around the world.

McInnis describes the auto industry as closely linked to the economy. "When there are ups, it's very exciting and there

is expansion and opportunity to structure new transactions," she says. "And when there are crashes, we take those crashes with the economy."

A vivid example was the 2008 economic crisis which McInnis describes as a turbulent, challenging time at GM as the company transformed and resized for the future.

The practical implications of working inside a company appeal to McInnis, whose office overlooks the Detroit River and the Ambassador Bridge between the United States and Canada. "Up to 800 trucks carry GM autos and parts over that bridge every day. So, my customs team is challenged to make sure there are no misses that could delay just-in-time production."

When she first joined GM, it was male dominated and many times McInnis found herself in meetings as the only woman at the table. That's changed over time, including GM naming Mary Barra, the first female CEO of a major global automaker, whom McInnis describes as "an outstanding leader."

A recipient of the National Association of Female Executives 'Woman of Excellence' Award in 2012, McInnis encourages women to join the auto industry.

"Working in a big, global company, especially in finance, is a great place for women because results are measurable. If you are willing to take risks and take on tough assignments, you can add value and advance."

She also appreciates the opportunity to meet and work with people from different countries.

McInnis credits former Western Law professor Brian Arnold for connecting taxation's blend of policy and logic in her mind. McInnis later found the practice in tax law to be just as intellectually interesting.

"Taking law at Western was a great choice. Being a lawyer gives you a terrific set of credentials and in-house lawyers usually get a good seat at the table," she says. "My job today has very little of looking at the tax code or interpreting laws; it's more focused on leadership and strategy. But having that legal grounding gives me thinking and analytical skills as well as an interest in understanding the big picture."

McInnis is married. Her daughter, born the day after winter exams in McInnis' third year of law school, now works in New York.

McInnis is active in professional and community organizations, serving on the board of the Detroit Institute of Art, home of the Diego Rivera murals, and on the board of Catalyst, a research-based non-profit dedicated to inclusion in the workplace.

As for next steps, McInnis hopes to continue to broaden her experience, perhaps in corporate board service, and remains focused on driving results at GM.

"It's an exciting time at GM; I feel lucky to be here." **WVL**

Susanna Eayrs is the Communications Officer at Western's Faculty of Law.

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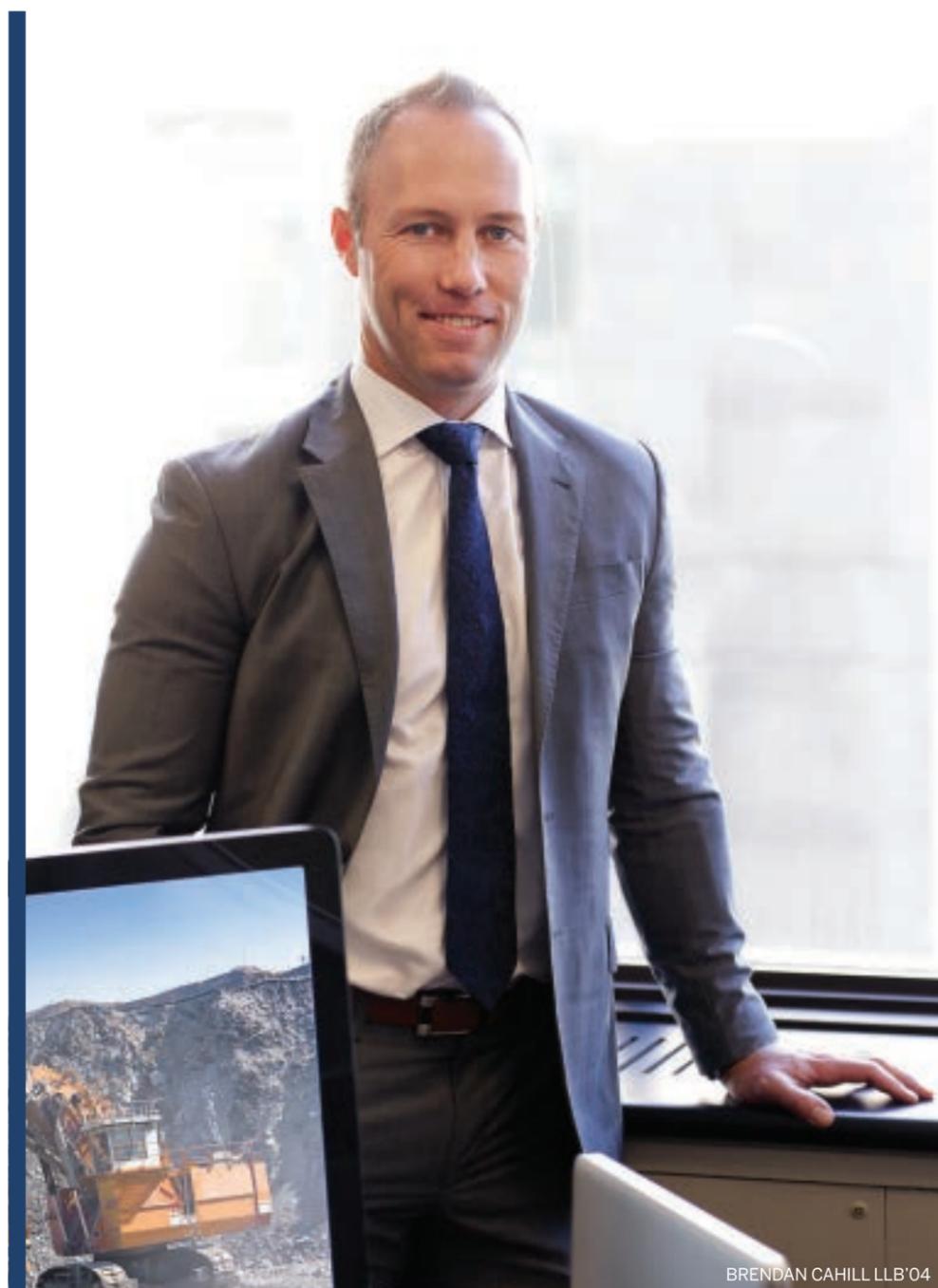
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QUESTIONS FOR BRENDAN CAHILL, LLB'04

President and CEO, Excellon Resources Inc.



BRENDAN CAHILL LLB'04

“There’s always a way of getting to where you need to go - you sometimes just have to think harder and more creatively to get there.”

1 What is at the top of your bucket list?

Space travel! I’m an avid follower of Elon Musk’s various ventures and can’t wait until he opens up his first orbital or lunar hotel – I’ll be an early guest. He’s one of the few people today who’s simply oblivious to the status quo and makes his dreams and imagination real.

2 What is the best piece of advice you ever received?

Never say “no.” There’s always a way of getting to where you need to go - you sometimes just have to think harder and more creatively to get there. I think it’s tremendous advice for young lawyers – clients are seeking solutions, not limitations. It’s sometimes too easy to describe where the box is, rather than figuring a way out of it.

3 Who was the most influential person you encountered at Western Law?

Richard McLaren. His Case Studies in Business Law course illustrated the nexus of business and law more than any other course I took at Western. I remember learning about securitization and sub prime loans long before they were topical. I also spent two great summers working for him on research on sports law and the PPSA (when I wasn’t playing Gaelic football...).

4 Property aside, what’s the most expensive thing you’ve bought?

My wife’s engagement ring. Gentlemen, if that’s not an automatic answer - I suggest it should be. Unless you’re not married, then I guess a Porsche 911 Turbo would be pretty cool.

5 What is the biggest misconception about your industry?

I’m in the mining industry, so the list is long. But the reality is that mining is the cornerstone of every industry on the planet, and none of our ideas can become tangible without it – not even Facebook. The search for resources, rightly or wrongly, is the driver of all of human history. We still search for new resources – wind or solar, perhaps, but even those need basic materials. And if we go further afield, any exploration beyond Earth will rely on ready access to minerals if it’s to be sustainable. Today, mining companies go where no other industry dares, the still truly wild places, but bring with them roads, education, healthcare and opportunity where governments often fear to tread.

6 What is your favourite journey?

I left Davies in 2007 and went backpacking for the best part of a year through China, Laos, Thailand and India. Incredible and gritty trip, with

dodgy bus rides to nowhere; the 20th anniversary full moon party; a blown eardrum in the middle of Laos; and two weeks of intensive Muai Thai training. Perhaps the most interesting aspect though, was driving through the rice paddies of Yunnan on a comfortable bus with wealthy Beijing and Shanghai Chinese. As the sun set, the blue flicker of televisions lit up every hut and made me wonder whether the next generation would be content in the paddies.

7 What profession other than your own would you like to attempt?

It’s probably too late to say rock star or professional soccer player ... I’m actually quite happy with the industry I’m in, despite the currently difficult market. There are few industries, if any, that are as global, exotic and multi-dimensional as mining.

8 Where is your favourite place to unwind?

I’m part owner of a Mexican restaurant, Los Colibris, and tequila bar, El Caballito, on King Street West. Over the past couple years, I’ve really enjoyed changing friends’ perspectives on Mexican food and, more importantly, tequila! Rajas Poblanas or Pulpo a la Parilla at Los Colibris with a nice sipping tequila like Clase Azul Reposado is a great way to round out a relaxing evening. Or just dig into the best guacamole north of Ciudad Juarez.

9 You have 60 seconds with a first-year law student. What do you tell them?

The most important thing you’ll learn is how to think rigorously, which will be useful in any pursuit you choose after law school, whether you stay in law, pursue a business or do something completely different (and there’s a long list of other things to do!). In the case of Western law particularly: have fun with the great class of students around you. Denning til dawn.





THOMAS TELFER

NEW BOOK ANALYZES ORIGINS OF CANADIAN BANKRUPTCY LAWS

Professor Thomas Telfer's new book *Ruin and Redemption: The Struggle for a Canadian Bankruptcy Law, 1867-1919* analyzes the ideas, interests and institutions that shaped the evolution of Canadian bankruptcy law.

It details the constitutional and legislative history of insolvency law and examines the vigorous public debates over the idea of bankruptcy.

"Modern bankruptcy scholarship has long moved past the question of 'whether bankruptcy law should exist at all' and has now focused on 'how much it should do'. But in late 19th and early 20th century Canada, the central question was whether there should be a bankruptcy law at all," says Telfer.

The book, published by the University of Toronto Press for the Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History, is the first full-length study of the origins of Canadian bankruptcy law.

"It is rare to find a work on commercial law that animates the law and its history by drawing insight from political debate, social context and commentary, economic analysis and literature, as well as legislation, case law, and parliamentary records," says Tamara Buckwold of the Faculty of Law, University of Alberta. "Ruin and Redemption is a valuable addition to the legal and historical literature on insolvency law."

NEW GRANT PROJECT EXPLORES CANADIAN FIDUCIARY RELATIONSHIPS

Professor Erika Chamberlain has been awarded a Western Strategic Support for Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Success Bridge grant for her project "Canada's Unique Conception of Fiduciary Relationships". Fiduciary relationships are those that require one party to act with utmost loyalty and good faith toward another.

Chamberlain's project will analyze Canada's unique approach to recognizing fiduciary relationships, and assess whether it can be explained on the basis of social, policy or other considerations that distinguish Canada from other Commonwealth jurisdictions.

"In most Commonwealth jurisdictions, fiduciary relationships are limited to the protection of economic or property interests," says Chamberlain.

"However, the Canadian courts have taken a more

expansive approach, and have recognized fiduciary relationships that protect psychological and sexual integrity, privacy, and minority rights."

The Canadian courts have also imposed fiduciary obligations on the Crown, both in the special situation of aboriginal peoples and with respect to other "vulnerable" groups (e.g. disabled veterans and minority language groups).

Chamberlain's proposed research will explore whether the Charter of Rights and Freedoms or other constitutional principles have influenced the Canadian courts' decisions to recognize unconventional fiduciary relationships in order to promote certain social goals.

"The long-term objective of my research is to develop an overarching theory that explains the recognition of new fiduciary relationships in Canada in terms of the underlying values that such relationships are meant to uphold," Chamberlain says.



ERIKA CHAMBERLAIN

NEYERS HONOURED WITH FACULTY SCHOLAR AWARD

Professor Jason Neyers has been named Western Law's Faculty Scholar for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 academic periods. This campus-wide award recognizes significant achievements in teaching or research.



JASON NEYERS

"Jason is an esteemed colleague, committed to excellence in his own research and supportive of the relevant research activities of his colleagues both at Western and abroad," says Dean Iain Scott. "This is a very well-deserved recognition."

Neyers will receive \$7,000 each year for scholarly activities. Neyers' scholarship has made critical contributions to understanding the rights-based approach as a comprehensive and unified theory of tort law.

He is the co-author of one of Canada's leading texts on tort law, *The Law of Torts in Canada* and a co-editor of nine books on private law, including *Tort Law: Challenging Orthodoxy* (Oxford: Hart Publishing, 2013).

A past recipient of the Canadian Association of Law Teachers Scholarly Paper Award, his work has also been cited by the Supreme Court of Canada, the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom and the High Court of Australia and numerous other appellate courts in Canada and beyond.

In 2009 he was awarded a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Standard Research Grant of \$78,261 to investigate how the economic torts might be explained from a rights-based perspective.

SARA SECK APPOINTED SENIOR FELLOW TO RESEARCH IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Sara Seck has been named a Senior Fellow for the International Law Research Program at The Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI).

Seck is an expert in corporate social responsibility and international environmental, human rights and sustainability development law. At CIGI, she will research and author a report on the implementation of business responsibility for human rights with regard to climate change.

CIGI is an independent, non-partisan think tank on international governance. Led by experienced practitioners and distinguished

academics, CIGI supports research, forms networks, advances policy debate and generates ideas for multilateral governance improvements.

Her work will also explore related developments under instruments such as the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, as well as intersections with the UNFCCC process, and the establishment of the post-2015 sustainable development goals.



SARA SECK

"Sara Seck's research addresses critically important issues related to the intersection of international economic and environmental law," says Oonagh Fitzgerald, director of CIGI's International Law Research Program.

SSHRC GRANT FACILITATES RESEARCH IN CHARITY LAW

Professor Adam Parachin will explore ways to modernize the regulatory framework for charities in Canada, thanks to a generous grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC).

Parachin is a member of a team of scholars who have received \$198,300 in funding over three years for a research project titled "Philanthropic Action of Grant-Making Foundations: Investigating their Social Innovation and Catalytic Role in Societal Change."

The inter-disciplinary project draws on participation from scholars specializing in the fields of sociology, non-profit studies and law, with Parachin being the only law scholar.

"Charity law has not kept pace with the increasingly complex world in which charities now operate. Innovation in the charitable sector and changes in society have blurred boundary lines that charity law takes for granted," says Parachin.

"Social enterprises," which combine charity and business, challenge the

traditional distinction drawn between charity and business.

Likewise, "impact investing," where investments are designed to achieve investment returns and charitable purposes, challenge the orthodox distinction drawn between investments and charitable programming.

"Even the distinction drawn by charity law between charitable education and non-charitable political advocacy has become blurred," says Parachin.

NICHOLLS NAMED BEATTIE CHAIR IN CORPORATE LAW

Western Law professor Christopher Nicholls has been appointed The W. Geoff Beattie Chair in Corporate Law, effective July 1, 2015.

A generous gift from Geoff Beattie, LLB'84, and Torys LLP was matched by Western to create a \$3-million fund to establish the Beattie Chair and support the Torys LLP Corporate and Securities Law Forum.



CHRISTOPHER NICHOLLS

The Forum delivers a number of initiatives and programs, including the Torys LLP Award in Business Law, Torys LLP Negotiation Competition, J.S.D. Tory Writing Prize and the Torys LLP Business & Law Pre-Eminent Scholars Series.

"We are delighted to announce the appointment of Chris Nicholls to the W. Geoff Beattie Chair, Western Law's first endowed Chair," says Dean Iain Scott.

"Chris is a prolific, internationally recognized corporate law scholar and talented leader of our business law program at Western Law. His appointment will ensure the continued success of this exceptional program."

Prior to joining Western Law in 2006, Nicholls was a member of the Dalhousie University Faculty of Law where he held the Purdy Crawford Chair in business law. Before joining Dalhousie, he

practiced corporate and securities law.

A graduate of Osgoode Hall Law School and Harvard University, Nicholls is an affiliated scholar of the National Centre for Business Law at UBC Law School and serves as a Research Fellow at the Filene Research Institute. He is the author of numerous articles in the business law field as well as five books.

"I'm very pleased and privileged to make this gift to Western," said Beattie when the gift was first announced in 2012. "By partnering with Torys LLP, and Western Law alumni at Torys, we are able to build a cluster of business law excellence that is unmatched in Canada."

Beattie is CEO of Generation Capital and chairman of the Canadian venture capital firm, Relay Ventures. He is also a director of the Royal Bank of Canada, General Electric Company, and Maple Leaf Foods Inc. and is a trustee of the University Health Network in Toronto.

He served as a partner at Torys LLP before joining The Woodbridge Company Limited, the privately held investment holding company for the Thomson family and the majority shareholder of Thomson Reuters, where he served as president and CEO from 1998 to 2012.

Beattie is an active volunteer with Western University, and chairs Western's fundraising campaign.

OOSTERVELD NAMED INAUGURAL MEMBER OF ROYAL SOCIETY'S 'COLLEGE'

Western Law professor Valerie Oosterveld has been named among 91 inaugural members of the Royal Society of Canada's (RSC) College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists. Those named to the College represent the emerging generation of scholarly, scientific and artistic leadership in Canada.

Oosterveld, an Associate Dean at the Faculty of Law, has published widely in the field of international criminal law, in particular on gender issues. Her scholarship has influenced the work of international tribunals, such as the International Criminal Court, and she has presented more than 60 papers,

including to the United Nations Human Rights Council.

"This is a wonderful recognition of Valerie's groundbreaking research," says Western Law Dean Iain Scott. "It's also a reflection of the breadth and depth of leading interdisciplinary scholarship undertaken by faculty at our law school."

Members of the College will address issues of particular concern to new scholars, artists and scientists, for the advancement of understanding and the benefit of society, taking advantage of the interdisciplinary approaches fostered by the establishment of the College.

"This is an important moment in the history of the Royal Society of Canada," said RSC President Graham Bell. "The College is Canada's first national system of multidisciplinary recognition for the emerging generation of leaders." Dr. Bell added. "Together, the members of the College will be in a position to provide guidance on issues of importance to Canadians, and to promote Canadian achievements in the arts, humanities and sciences around the world."



VALERIE OOSTERVELD



ALUMNI HONOURED AT AWARDS CEREMONY

KIM BEATTY, STEPHEN COXFORD AND JACQUELINE MOSS

It was an evening celebrating three of Western Law's best. The 2014 Alumni Awards of Distinction, held November 19 in Toronto honoured Kim Beatty, LLB'83, Stephen Coxford, LLB'77, and Jacqueline Moss, LLB'88.

"Their passion and accomplishments are inspiring," said Dean Iain Scott. "Our distinguished award winners make us all proud."

Kim Beatty, Founder and Executive Director of The Children's Book Bank, was the recipient of the Community Service Award.

The Book Bank is a not-for-profit organization providing free books to children in Toronto's low-income neighbourhoods.

Beatty, who practiced litigation law in the Toronto area for 20 years, threw her passion, talent and time into the establishment of the Children's Book Bank when she retired.

Jacqueline Moss was presented with the 2014 Business Leadership Award.

Moss has had an impressive rise at CIBC where she is currently Executive

Vice-President, Strategy and Corporate Development, responsible for developing CIBC's bank-wide corporate strategy.

In 2007 and 2008, the Women's Executive Network recognized Moss as one of Canada's Most Powerful Women. As well, she has been instrumental in the formation of ReConnect, a first of its kind program at the Ivey School of Business that helps professional women re-enter their careers after an extended absence.

Stephen Coxford, LLB'77, was honoured with the Ivan Rand Alumni Award that recognizes superior contributions to both the law school and the alumni community.

Coxford is the President of Gresham & St. Andrew Inc., a Toronto-based investment company, and has served

on the boards of a variety of private and public corporations, and former Chair of Western's Board of Governors.

Thanks to his generous gift, the Faculty of Law established the annual Coxford Lecture in 2008. This pre-eminent lecture series brings top international scholars to Western Law to address important public law questions.

Presenting sponsor CIBC, represented by Michael Capatides, Senior Executive Vice-President at CIBC, extended his congratulations to the award winners.

"They are very deserving recipients and their commitment to the law school, the community and the business world brings pride and honour to Western Law," he said.

Western Law would like to thank the event's presenting sponsor CIBC; platinum sponsor Blakes, Cassels & Grayden LLP; and ZSA Legal Recruitment, represented by Warren Bongard, LLB'91, for their generous support of the 2014 Alumni Awards of Distinction.



CHRISTINE TABBERT '98, STEPHEN COXFORD '77 AND DEAN IAIN SCOTT

Alumni Gatherings

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Development’s mission is to strengthen Western Law as Canada’s pre-eminent business law school. We remain focused on our \$25 million campaign goal to ensure Western Law continues to thrive.

Here’s a sampling of contributions lending a hand to your Western Law legacy:

We welcome our most recent entrant to the Dean’s Circle – Dale Ponder, LLB’80 – and wish to recognize all of our Dean’s Circle members who continue to provide strategic leadership and support to enable Western Law to lead.

Student awards can be established for as little as \$1,500 per year for five

years. This year, Nizam Hasham, LLB’95, and Jana Steele, LLB’95, as well as Prem Rawal, LLB’02, created named student awards to offer financial support while honouring their family names. Henry Ho, JD ’77, named his award in honour of Professor Peter Barton in “appreciation of [his] academic excellence.” As was done by the class of ’93, the classes of ’83 and ’88 have initiated their class contribution in support of Western Law – and numerous others are following suit.

Special thanks this year for the transformational gifts from The Catalyst Capital Group Inc. toward building a comprehensive program in financial restructuring, and from Yamana Gold Inc. toward an interdisciplinary program in support of sustainable resource development. Blake Cassels & Graydon LLP also made a meaningful investment by doubling their endowed scholarship.

Chris Bogart, JD’91, and gold medallist, supported an international student internship this summer in the leading

edge area of litigation finance with his firm in New York City. As well, a friend of Western Law and renowned litigator, sent a donation to support our exceptional student experience and in recognition of Dean Iain Scott’s leadership and guidance.

You will see your colleagues and friends mentioned in our donor listings; annual giving of \$1,000 or more this fiscal year; student awards of \$1,000 or more; the growing number of Dean’s Circle members; and our new listing of cumulative giving, since 2004, of \$100,000 or more. The listings ensure our kind donors are acknowledged and recognized for their Western Law loyalty. Thank you all.

Please consider joining fellow alumni and friends – in whatever amount is meaningful to you – to create your own Western Law legacy.

Manon D. Bone
Director (Alumni Relations
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Gift supports new insolvency and restructuring program

“We believe Canada needs a world-class academic program for research and education in insolvency and restructuring, a hub for the creation and sharing of knowledge by and between scholars, practitioners and the judiciary.”

Newton Glassman
Founder, Managing Partner
and CEO of The Catalyst
Capital Group Inc.

THE CATALYST CAPITAL Group Inc. has committed up to \$2.5 million to support an innovative program at Western Law in insolvency law and corporate and financial restructuring. This is part of a \$10 million program being supported by Catalyst dedicated to this important area of research and education.

The gift will include support for a wide range of activities and opportunities for students, insolvency professionals and the judiciary. The academic and co-curricular program to be developed over the next three years will include an advanced academic curriculum, including attracting distinguished international lecturers and scholars. Students will also receive support for scholarships, awards and internships.

“Catalyst’s generous gift will allow our faculty to enhance its research, teaching and student experience in this important area of law,” says Dean Iain Scott, who will also work with Ivey to create interdisciplinary opportunities for law and business students in this program.

The Catalyst Capital Group Inc. is Canada’s second largest private equity firm. The firm specializes in control and influence investments in distressed and undervalued Canadian situations and is widely regarded as an industry leader.

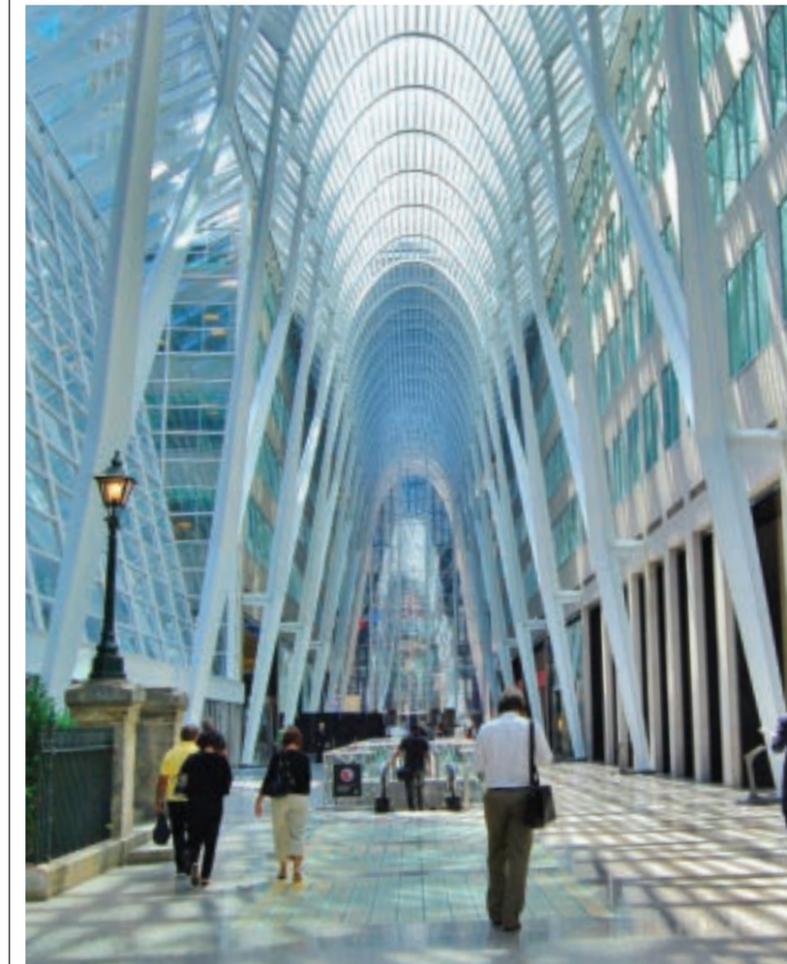
“We believe Canada needs a world-class academic program for research and education in insolvency and restructuring, a hub for the creation and sharing of knowledge by and between scholars, practitioners

and the judiciary,” says Newton Glassman, Founder, Managing Partner and CEO of the Catalyst Capital Group Inc.

“We also believe that, along with the privilege of operating in this space in Canada, we have a responsibility to help develop this critical area of Canada’s credit markets. We’re very pleased to support the establishment of this new program and look forward to working with Western to see it

come to life,” he adds.

According to Dean Scott, there is a need in Canada to expand the knowledge and capability of those who are involved in complex financial restructurings. With the support of The Catalyst Capital Group there is an opportunity, Scott says, to enhance the understanding and skills needed to clarify the roles, rights, obligations and contributions of all stakeholders in insolvency situations.



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We would like to recognize the following donors who have given or pledged \$1,000 or more to Western's Faculty of Law between May 1, 2014 and April 30, 2015. We also wish to thank those donors who have chosen to remain anonymous and those who have made previous commitments to the Faculty of Law.

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"It is my privilege to recognize the following donors who have pledged \$100,000 or more to the Dean's Circle. Their generous gifts and continuing strategic support and advice concerning the priority projects of Western Law benefit the entire Western Law Community. Please join me in recognizing their many contributions."

Dean Iain Scott

"My career success is entirely due to the opportunity that was given to me as a Western Law student. For this reason, I've given back to Western Law for the past 25 years. It's a lifelong commitment. I am honoured and lucky to be in a position to contribute in some small way to a legal career for other students."

Tracey Tremayne-Lloyd, LLB'83
Western alumna and donor

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Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries

We would like to thank the donors who have generously contributed to the following awards valued at \$1,000 or more. We also wish to thank those donors who have chosen to remain anonymous.

Your support of student scholarships, awards and bursaries provides exceptional opportunities for students to be inspired by leading faculty while also providing recognition for their academic achievements.

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Joanne Poljanowski Memorial Bursary in Law
Kevin J. Comeau Continuing Scholarship
Labour Law Achievement Award
Law Society of Upper Canada Education Equity Award

MacKewn, Winder, Kirwin Entrance Scholarship in Law
Margaret E. Rintoul Award in Wills
McArdle-MacKinnon 125th Anniversary Alumni Award
Michael Allen Harte Award
MM Entrance Award in Law
Mr. Donald H. Crawford Q.C. Scholarship in Criminal Procedure
Myer and Sarah Solomon Entrance Scholarships
Newton Rowell Entrance Scholarships
Nidhi Kanika Suri Memorial Award
Norman Craig Brown QC Continuing Bursary in Law
Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP Award
Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt – Rand Entrance Scholarship
Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt Award in Corporate Finance
Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt Award in Tax Law
Peter Barton Award in Civil Procedure
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Student Legal Society Entrance Scholarship
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UWO Law Alumni Association Bursaries
UWO Law Alumni Association Entrance Scholarships
Waterloo Region Law Association Entrance Scholarship
Western Alumni Global Opportunities Award in Law

"I consider myself extremely fortunate to be able to attend law school, but there's no doubt that it requires a lot of time and money. I hope that some day soon I will be in a position to "pay it forward" and support Western Law students myself."

Scott Kerr

Third-year law student and recipient of the Michael Allen Harte Award

New Centre to mentor leadership in mining sector

YAMANA GOLD INC. has funded a generous gift of \$1.5 million to support an innovative interdisciplinary program to develop the next generation of mining professionals.

This gift will support the creation of the Yamana Centre for Sustainable Exploration and Resource Development, an interdisciplinary centre supported by the Faculty of Law, along with the Faculty of Science and the Ivey School of Business.

The Centre brings together the university's expertise in exploration geosciences, environmental science, mining law, finance, corporate social responsibility and business sustainability.

"This interdisciplinary Centre recognizes that sustainable resource development is inherently complex," says Dean of Law Iain Scott.

"It builds on Western's existing strengths and will incorporate knowledge from resource geoscience with the legal and business aspects of sustainability to provide a truly powerful combination for the education of tomorrow's extractive industry leaders," he adds.

The gift will support scholarships, internships, and a variety of interdisciplinary courses, programs and events for students, such as leadership forums, conferences and related activities of the Yamana Centre.

Yamana Gold is a Canadian-based gold producer with significant gold production, gold development stage properties, exploration properties, and land positions throughout the Americas including Brazil,



PETER MARRONE

Argentina, Chile, Mexico and Canada.

"We are pleased to associate with Western and this program and are delighted with its interdisciplinary approach which recognizes the complexity and

diversity of mining," says Peter Marrone, CEO of Yamana Gold.

"We believe it's imperative to find, encourage and nurture future leadership in mining and are particularly pleased that we will help encourage

the development of mining best practices as they relate to sustainability, health and safety," he adds.

Yamana Gold's support has also enabled the creation of the Global Sustainability Certification Program at Western, a world-class program that will train students from complementary disciplines in sustainable development in the mining sector.

Western Law professor Sara Seck teaches and researches in the area of corporate social responsibility and international law.

"The Yamana Centre will provide students with the opportunity to learn how to confront the unique challenges confronting the mining sector in a socially responsible manner so as to avoid conflicts and contribute positively to sustainable outcomes for local communities," says Seck.

Over the next two years, Western will develop fully interdisciplinary courses that are specifically designed for students in the certification program. Students will engage in collaborative projects and a range of co-curricular activities, including a "capstone" field school.

In connection with this initiative and with support from Yamana Gold, Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) has approved the establishment of the NSERC/Yamana Gold Inc. Industrial Research Chair in Advanced Mineral Exploration at Western University, with Dr. N.R. Banerjee as Chairholder.

Putting it into practice

Western Law students gain real-world know-how thanks to law firm-funded internships

Jeremy Lin wants to practise the “kind of deals you read about online, or on the front page.”

The second-year Western Law student credits a 12-week internship last summer with cementing his interest in high-profile business law.

As the third recipient of the McCarthy Tétrault LLP Business Law Internship (ISLIP), Jeremy, who interned with Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce (CIBC) in Toronto, highlights the unique opportunity to attend criminal court on behalf of the bank’s litigation and employment group to observe a case of interest as a key learning experience.

“I produced a ‘watching brief’ that included testimony given during the pre-trial motions, combined with my own observations regarding witnesses’ credibility; the judge’s opinion of counsel and their witnesses; counsels’ strengths and weaknesses, and any other facts that he felt were pertinent to the case,” says Lin.

He was also entrusted with ensuring several sets of documents were proclaimed and authenticated for CIBC’s business needs in China.

“Western is a great school, but the advice I give to first-year law students is to take advantage of activities that give you real-world experience, such as committees, pro bono work and interning. My experience with CIBC served me well as I’m currently articling with a leading business law firm in Toronto.”

As more law firms and financial institutions evolve to a business model where profitability relies upon expertise and efficiency, law graduates who are further along the learning curve will have a competitive edge in their field. This is one reason why Western’s International Summer Law Internship Program is thriving – and making a positive impact on current law students.

“Through this program, our students have the opportunity to intern at a wide variety of placements: with government

departments; international and non-governmental organizations; and private industries, which contribute to a better understanding of Canada’s place within the global framework,” says Valerie Oosterveld, Associate Dean. “These experiences help to differentiate our students from other law graduates, giving them unique skills and opportunities that benefit them in the work place and their future career.”

Like Lin, second-year law student Christian Vieira also put theory into practice by participating in the Thornton Grout Finnigan World Bank Group Internship at The World Bank Group – the globe’s largest development bank – in Washington, D.C.

“I was thrown into the action from day one and was included in a major insolvency reform project in Trinidad and Tobago that informed stakeholders in person of the new Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act,” says Vieira. “The experience gave me unique insights on the enactment of new legislation and creation of government offices from the perspective of policy-makers.”

Along with an external consultant, Vieira took pieces from the experience in Trinidad and Tobago, as well as best practices from other jurisdictions, to facilitate the creation of a “manual” for developing countries on how to create a bankruptcy regulator from scratch. “This booklet will be extremely useful for governments who are considering insolvency reform, but are seeking to learn more about the intricacies of establishing an insolvency regulator.”

As for the value of this particular internship, Vieira says, “It provides a very

different outlook on the law from the perspective of policy-makers as opposed to lawyers in private practice. The knowledge I have gained from working with such experienced and knowledgeable practitioners has been invaluable.”

Both McCarthy Tétrault LLP and Thornton Grout Finnigan LLP contributed \$30,000 each to support a total of six summer

internships for Western Law students.

Enabling Western Law students to gain feedback while taking on real assignments and responsibilities was a decision that was very easy to make according to Leila Rafi, partner, business law for McCarthy Tétrault LLP.

“McCarthy Tétrault’s support of Western Law’s ISLIP demonstrates our commitment to legal education and ensuring that there are experiential learning opportunities for law students to develop practice skills, such as client service, with the support and mentorship of professionals from some of the most influential companies and law firms in the world,” says Rafi.

Robert (Bob) Thornton, founding partner at Thornton Grout Finnigan LLP agrees: “As donors to Western Law’s ISLIP, we understand the value of supporting students with coveted placements. In a highly competitive employment market, summer internships offer the first step toward career success. Students gain skills, make contributions and gain an edge over the competition when it comes time to begin professional practice.”

Judging by the experience of both Jeremy Lin and Christian Vieira, the impact of these donations is being put into practice.

“Working with a team that actually makes a difference in developing countries was one I couldn’t resist.”

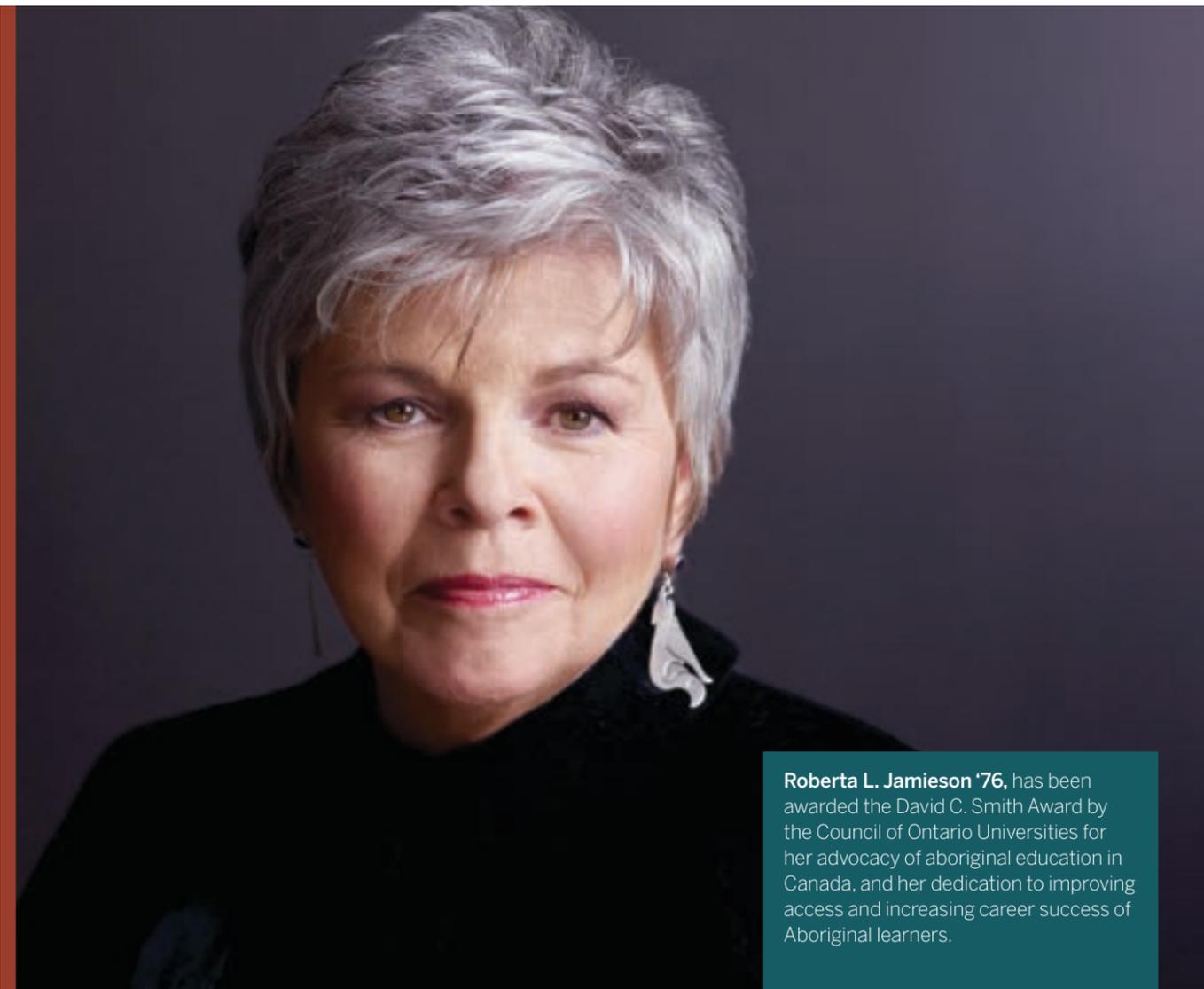
Christian Vieira, second-year law student



Second-year law student Jeremy Lin credits his CIBC internship with cementing his interest in practicing high-profile business law.



Second-year law student Christian Vieira put theory into practice during his internship at The World Bank Group in Washington D.C. last summer.



Roberta L. Jamieson '76, has been awarded the David C. Smith Award by the Council of Ontario Universities for her advocacy of aboriginal education in Canada, and her dedication to improving access and increasing career success of Aboriginal learners.

1963

Colin McNairn published *In A Manner of Speaking: Phrases, Expressions and Proverbs and How We Use and Misuse Them* in December 2014.

1966

John Hanselman's law practice has been awarded Delhi District Chamber of Commerce's 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award.

1967

Thomas Melnick retired after a legal career spanning almost 50 years.

1970

Justice Stephen Glithero will preside when Dellen Millard and Mark Smich stand trial for the murder of Tim Bosma.

John Sabine has been appointed Non-Executive Chairman and Director for North American Nickel Inc.

1971

Richard McLaren has been appointed by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) to investigate allegations of widespread, systematic doping and cover-ups in Russia.

1974

James Turner received the Lifetime Achievement honour at the 2015 Canadian General Counsel Awards. The annual awards, founded by ZSA Legal Recruitment and the *National Post*, recognize the top-in house lawyers in the country.

1975

Murray Elston has been appointed Director to the Independent Electricity System Operator, effective January 2015.

Robert Farmer is an author of *The Bammo Ten Card Deal Dossier* which was published in April 2015.



Rosemary McCarney '77 was appointed ambassador and permanent representative of Canada to the Office of the United Nations and the United Nations Conference in Disarmament in Geneva.



Michael Lerner '72 is a newly elected 2015 Bencher.

1976

Ronald Durand has been recognized as one of The Best Lawyers in Canada 2015 for tax law.

Tajdin Mitha was appointed to the Council of the Association of professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the province of BC for a term ending in October 2016.

1978

Charles Graham was appointed in 2014, as a judge of the Family Court Branch in Barrie.

Madam Justice **Lynne C. Leitch** was one of the winners of the 2015 Women of Excellence. Sponsored by the YMCA of Western Ontario, the awards honour women in the community for their outstanding contributions and tireless dedication in their chosen field.



Richard McLaren '71

Hilary McCormack has been appointed Chairperson of the Military Police Complaints Commission of Canada. Ms. McCormack will assume her duties as Commission Chairperson on October 5, 2015 for a term of five years.

1979

Christopher Bredt is a newly elected 2015 Bencher.

Gerald Shields has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the Tower Resources Ltd.

Jerry O'Brien is a Partner at O'Brien, Jacklin, Wickett, Sulman in Chatham.

1980

George W. King was appointed a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

The Honourable **Margaret A. McSorley**, a provincial court judge of the Ontario Court of Justice in Woodstock, is appointed a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Family Division in Kingston.

Gabrielle Richards has been elected chair of the Board of Governors of the Canadian Tax Foundation.

1981

Grant Dow was appointed a judge of the Superior Court of Justice, Toronto.

Michael Hibberd has been appointed Non-Executive Vice Chairman of the Sunshine OilSands Ltd.

Philip Squire was elected London city councillor on October 27, 2014.

1982

David Weekes has been recognized as one of The Best Lawyers in Canada 2015 in the area of tax law.

1984

Michael Cooper was a participant in the 2014 Executive Sleep Out, an action to help homeless children.

Ingrid Hibbard was appointed to the Board of Directors of the Lake Shore Gold.

Norman King is a Chair of the Ontario Trillium Foundation.



David Ben '87, along with E. S. Andrews is the author of *The Experts at the Card Table* a book about card cheating and techniques to do so with more than 750 photographs. More info on the book can be found at : magicana.com/theexperts. He also published *The Bammo Ten Card Deal Dossier* by Robert Farmer, in April 2015.

1985

James Lawson is CEO of Woodbine Entertainment Group, effective immediately.

Luanna McGowan is the President of The McGowan Group Inc, former National Partner and founder of PricewaterhouseCoopers' Centre for Entrepreneurs and Family Business.

Craig Snelgrove was appointed vice-president of business development at Bulk TV and Internet in Raleigh, N.C.

1986

Marie-Andree Beaudry has been recognized as one of The Best Lawyers in Canada 2015 in tax law.

James Danziger, is a Partner of Operations at IQ Partners, a recruiting company, where he oversees its Toronto, Montreal and Vancouver offices.

Mario Deo was appointed President of the Canadian Condominium Institute, Toronto Chapter.

The Honourable **Pamela L. Hebner** has been appointed a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

1987

Ramon Andal was appointed a part-time member to the Social Security Tribunal, a single decision-making body that consolidates the work previously done by four separate tribunals.



Janet Leiper '85 elected Bencher for the Toronto Region was appointed Commissioner to the Ontario Securities Commission for a two-year term.

Kevin Coon was a participant in the 2014 Executive Sleep Out, an action to help homeless children.

Larry Weinberg, head of Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP Franchise Law Group, has been named franchise law's worldwide "Lawyer of the Year 2015" by Who's Who Legal. Larry was one of the only Canadians honoured at this year's ceremony, which celebrated the world leading practitioners across 34 key legal areas/industries.

1988

Elliott Noss a President and CEO of Tucows is a founder of Ting Mobile – a company that purchases network access from other mobile companies and in turn sells it to consumers.

1989

Heather Evans is a National Managing Partner for tax and member of the Deloitte's Global Tax & Legal Executive.

Gina Papageorgiou is a newly elected 2015 Bencher.

Lionel Smith received a Killam Research Fellowship (killamprogram.canadacouncil.ca) and was appointed to the Sir William C. Macdonald Chair in Law at the Faculty of Law, McGill University.

1990

Ron Baruch has been appointed chair of Board of Directors of North York General Foundation.



Gabrielle Richards '80

Doug Melville '91, former head of the Ombudsman for Banking and Investments, has been appointed principal ombudsman and chief executive for the Channel Islands Financial Ombudsman effective June 1.



Lorna Cuthbert, a partner at Stikeman Elliott, is acknowledged by *The Best Lawyers in Canada 2015* and the *Legal 500 Canada 2014* for her labour and employment law expertise.

Neil Henderson is now a partner at Gowlings LLP after making the move from BLG's Waterloo office which recently closed. Paul is an IP Lawyer and registered patent and trademark agent both in Canada and the U.S.

1991
Sean Kruuv has been appointed CFO for the Oakridge Global Energy Solutions Inc.

1992
Mario Paura, a partner at Stikeman Elliott LLP, is recognized by *The Best Lawyers in Canada 2015* for his expertise in real estate law.

1993
Peter Aziz has been promoted to Counsel at Torys LLP. Peter is a corporate lawyer and a member of the Financial Institutions Practice and the Payments and Cards Practice Group.

Ed Jager was appointed Ambassador of Canada to Mongolia.

Bob Rooney, Talisman Energy, was a finalist in the Lifetime Achievement Deal Making, 2015 Canadian General Counsel Awards.

1994
The Honourable **Annalisa S. Rasaiah** has been appointed a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

Peter Aceto, president and CEO of Tangerine, is the author of *Weology: How Everybody Wins When We Comes Before Me*, published in 2015. The book provides an in-depth look into the "people-first" leadership strategies that have made Tangerine Canada's leading direct bank.

1995
Paul Carezza joined Gowlings LLP as a member of the Tax Practice Group.

Mark McElheran, a partner at Stikeman Elliott LLP, has been recognized as one of the *Best Lawyers in Canada 2015* for derivatives and structured finance law.

Robert McEwen has been appointed President & CEO of Ballard Power Systems.

1997
Ghen Laraya is VP, Business and Legal Affairs, Americas and Asia for Digital Turbine. Based in Los Angeles, Digital Turbine is a subsidiary of mobile service provider Mandalay Digital Group.

1998
Shawn Graham was presented with a 2014 Rising Star Award, Leading Lawyer under 40.

1999
Arman Kuyumjian was appointed partner for Haynes Boone LLP, New York office.



Ed Jager '93

Andrew Tam was a finalist in the Lifetime Achievement Mid-Market Excellence, 2015 Canadian General Counsel Awards.

2000
Ritu Bhasin, Founder of Bhasin Consulting Inc., received the City of Toronto's 2014 William P. Hubbard Award for Race Relations.

David Johnson is a winner of the 2014 Rising Star Award from Lexpert.

Zoe Kevork practices entertainment and immigration law. In addition to her law practice, she is involved in the entertainment industry as a concert and film producer.

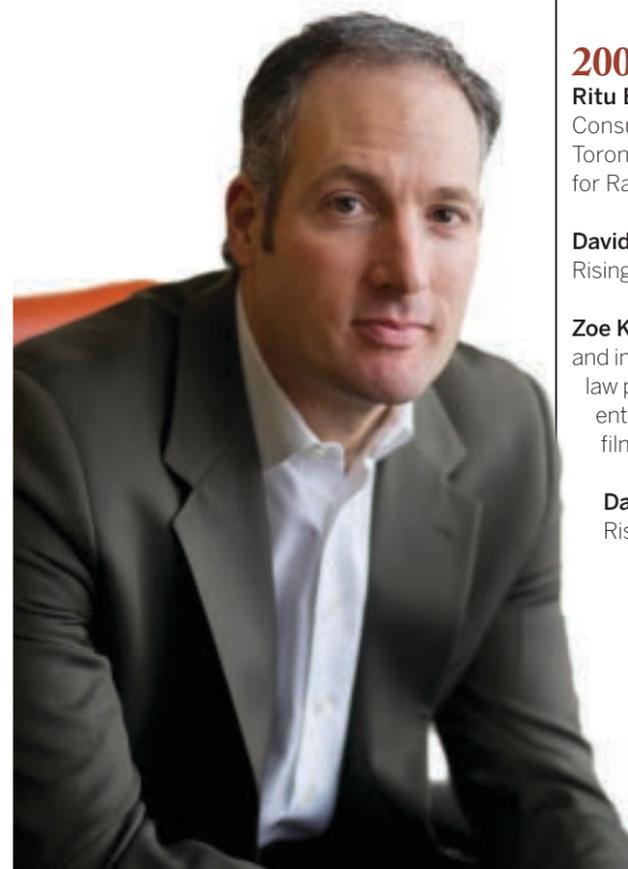
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Eva Bellissimo is a winner of the 2014 Rising Star Award from Lexpert.

Amanda Linett has been recognized as one of the *2015 Best Lawyers in Canada* in the areas of mining law and natural resources law.

Matthew Peters joined Cassels Brock LLP as a partner in the Tax Group, where he advises on tax issues associated with international tax planning, domestic and cross border mergers and acquisitions, corporate reorganizations, corporate finance, and various other tax matters.

2002
Lance Ceaser is celebrating the first anniversary of his labour and employment law practice, Ceaser work Counsel. Previously, Ceaser practiced with a management labour and employment counsel to BlackBerry.



Peter Aceto, '94

David Tait joined McCarthy Tétrault LLP, practising intellectual property law.

2003

Shawn Irving has received the 2014 Rising Star Award from Lexpert.

Michael McLaren has received the 2014 Rising Star Award from Lexpert.

Raivo Uukkivi has been made partner at Cassels Brock LLP. Raivo's practice is focused on advocacy. He acts for a broad range of private and public sector clients. His emphasis is on developing and implementing practical, time-saving resolutions to conflict, particularly in complex disputes.

Alysha Valenti is a winner of the 2014 Rising Star Award from Lexpert.

2005

Shelby Austin has been named as one of Tomorrow's Titans by *Toronto Life Magazine*.

Chad Finkelstein is a partner in the Corporate Commercial group with a focus on franchise & distribution law and gaming law.

Andrea Gonsalves is a Partner at Stockwoods LLP Barristers. She was recipient of the Precedent setter Awards (2014) which recognize Ontario lawyers who have shown excellence and leadership in their early years of practice.



Ritu Bhasin '00

Sammy Redlick has been made partner at Torkin Manes LLP. Sammy is a partner in the Business Law and Corporate Finance groups. He provides counsel in all areas of business law, including transactions and day-to-day business law advice.

2006

David Forestell a former Advisor to PM is a Director of Government Relations at Barrick Gold Co.

Frank Lamie joined Gowlings LLP where he practises corporate and commercial law with a focus on restructuring and insolvency/defence, security and aerospace law.



Dany Horovitz '10, Christine Marchetti '04 and Tamara Beljan '13 performed in The Lawyer Show's *Love's Labour's Lost* for Nightwood Theatre's annual fundraiser. This event raises funds towards enhancing Nightwood's productions and training programs.

Kate Mazzuco has been made a partner at McLeish Orlando LLP. Kate has been an associate with the firm since 2007 and is an invaluable member of Patrick Brown's team. Kate has extensive experience handling cases involving brain injury, spinal cord injury, and serious orthopedic injury, with a specific focus on children.

Michael Michaud, an Assistant Crown Attorney, has published his first novel *Billy Tabbs*.

Pam Vermeersch was appointed to the partnership at Gowlings LLP. Pam's practice covers all aspects of corporate and commercial law.

2007

Yee Chow is now an associate at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP. He practises with the firm's commercial real estate group.

Ryan Kalt was appointed CEO/chairman of the Board of Directors of Strike Diamond Corp.

Gord McKenna has been made a partner at Blake Cassels & Graydon LLP

Aaron Lee-Wudrick was appointed Ottawa-based Federal Director for The Canadian Taxpayers Federation.

2009

Lorin MacDonald is the recipient of the 2014 Alumni Award of Merit for Community Service. Lorin is a human rights lawyer and AODA/accessibility subject matter expert. Lorin is the co-founder of a new venture IGetIt.Global (www.IGetIt.Global), working with Canada's hospitality and tourism industry.

2010

Shawn Graham was presented with the 2014 Rising Star Award, Leading Lawyer Under 40. He is senior counsel, RBC Law Group in Toronto.



Eva Bellissimo '01



Lorin MacDonald '09

Erin Creber joined Cassels Brock LLP. Erin's practice covers litigation in all areas of intellectual property law and also involves trade-mark prosecution and copyright matters.

2013

Shawn Cymbalisky joined Oslers LLP Corporate Group as an Associate.

Matthew Frontini has been appointed to the Health Sciences Research Ethics Board at University of Toronto.

Jessica Gringrich, joined Oslers LLP Corporate Group as an Associate.

Sam Ip joined Oslers LLP as an Associate.

Kasey Ji joined Oslers LLP Real Estate Group as an Associate.

2011

Zohar Barzilai joined Cassels Brock LLP, where he advises public and private companies on general corporate and securities law issues, including corporate governance, capital market regulatory compliance and continuous disclosure obligations.

Heather Bray has received the 2015 Promising Alumni Award from Camosun College.

Trisha Cowie received approval to run for the federal nomination for the Parry Sound-Muskoka Federal Liberal Association.

IN MEMORIAM

Edward Allan Ayers ('69) on May 11, 2015 in Toronto.

John Courtney Holland ('73) on December 18, 2014 in Windsor.

John Bitove, businessman and philanthropist, on July 30, 2015 in Toronto.

Joe Samuels, former Professor of Law, April 2, 2015.

Morley Gorsky, Professor Emerita, February 23, 2015.

Mark Andrew Reid ('89) on August 13, 2015 in Huntsville, Ontario.



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