



# DUKE LAW SCHOOL INTERNATIONAL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

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## LAW SCHOOL NEWS

### BUILDING DEDICATION

The Duke community celebrated the completion of the Law School's multi-year expansion and renovation project at a series of "Duke Law Enlightened" events during the first week of November 2008. A collection of lectures and ceremonies provided an opportunity to



reflect the history, growth, and future direction of the Law School while paying tribute to those who made the cornerstone elements of the project possible: the J. Michael Goodson Law Library and the Star Commons.

The celebration culminated with an official dedication ceremony on Saturday, November 8, during which keynote speaker Justice Anthony Kennedy noted the symbolic relationship between the renovated facility and the principles of the legal profession. "Here in this space you can see the affirmation of the stability of the law by the strong verticals, verticals which frame a heritage and a culture and which allow light to inform our work." said Kennedy.

Photos of Goodson Law Library and Star Commons can be found on the Duke Law Web site at <http://www.law.duke.edu/news/gallery?id=89>.

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### DUKE COMPETES FOR FIRST TIME AT WILLEM C. VIS MOOT

Duke Law School participated for the first time in the 2009 Willem C. Vis International Arbitration Moot Competition in Vienna, Austria in April. The Moot included teams from over 240 universities in 58 countries. Panels of international practitioners from around the world served as arbitrators. **Mingchao Fan** (Fulbright Visiting Scholar) represented Duke team with three JD students: **Jessica Rivera** (JD 09), **Jonas Robison** (JD 2010) and

**Timothy Reibold** (JD 2010). The Duke team competed against teams from Dusseldorf, Palacky, Reykjavik and Istanbul. The competition provided great networking opportunities for the participants. Duke team took good advantage of these opportunities and had the chance



to meet with several Duke Law alumni in Vienna who were most supportive of the team, especially the "Welcome Committee" of **Daisy Birtalan** (LLM 02), **Roland Herbst** (LLM 04) (who arranged housing and even picked up the key at 6:00 on Easter morning), and **Phoebe Kornfeld** (JD 90). The team was coached by adjunct faculty member **Charles Holton** (JD 73).

### WTO MOOT COURT WINS

For the second consecutive year, Duke Law team has won the North American Regional Round of the ELSA WTO Moot Court Competition on WTO Law. The Duke team advanced to the international round of competition in Taipei, Taiwan, placing second in the competition while collecting awards for best written submission for complaint and best oralist in the final round for **Timothy Reibold** (JD 2010). Tim, along with his teammates **Gregory Dixon** (JD 2010) and **Michael Gilles** (JD/LLM 2010) in the final round, also won honors in the preliminary rounds. The team also received the Spirit of Elsa award, elected by other teams for its “friendly, kind and sportsmanlike” conduct. **Andrew Lin** (SJD 1997), a faculty member of the National Taiwan University College of Law, went to the grand final of the Moot and sent congratulations on the extraordinary performance of the Duke team.

### DUKE GRAD WINS ASIL PRIZE

**Nicholas DiMascio** (JD/LLM 07) has been awarded the 2009 Francis Deák Prize for meritorious scholarship by the American Society of International Law. Nicholas shares the award with former Duke Law faculty member Joost Pauwelyn, Professor of International Law at the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva, Switzerland. The two collaborated on their winning article, “Non-Discrimination in Trade and Investment Treaties: Worlds Apart or Two Sides of the Same Coin.” (102 AJIL 48 (2008)) while Nicholas was a law student. Nicholas is clerking for Judge Neil V. Wake on the U.S. District Court,

District of Arizona. After the completion of his two-year clerkship he will clerk for Judge Berry Silverman on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

### NEW ENVIRONMENTAL LAW CERTIFICATE

The faculty approved a new certificate for LLM students who have a specific interest in environmental law. The certificate will be exploratory for a three-year period. At most, 5 students will be admitted annually. The candidates will need to have had a minimum of 2 years of experience in the environmental law field, will need to enroll in 9 required credits of environmental law and related area courses, write a substantial research paper of 3 credits on an environmental law topic, and will be required to complete a total of 24 credits for the award of the certificate. If you know of lawyers who may be interested, we will be glad to provide additional information. Next, the faculty will consider certificates in the business and intellectual property areas.

### NEW INTERNATIONAL LAW PROFESSOR RECRUITED

The Law School is very pleased to announce that **Laurence Helfer** has joined the faculty as the Harry R. Chadwick Sr. chair. He is a leading scholar in international law, human rights, and international IP law. Previously, he was professor of law and director of the International Legal Studies Program at Vanderbilt Law School. During the spring, he will teach International Protection of Human Rights. Along with professor **Curtis Bradley**, Helfer will direct the Center for International and Comparative Law and the Global Law Workshop at the Law School.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

### LLM PROGRAM

The **LLM Program** for the 2008-2009 academic year enrolled students from 39 countries, with 76 LLM students, 19 exchange students, and 2 new SJD students. For the first time an LLM student from Luxembourg joined the program. **Jean-Luc Schaus** graduated from Luxembourg University, has a keen interest in history and archeology, and worked for the firm of Loyens Winandy Luxembourg in banking and finance before coming to Duke. We were also delighted to have the first Malaysian student since the late 1980's, **Dian Abdul Hamed Shah**. Dian received her law degree from University of Warwick in the UK. Her special focus is on international and human rights law. She loves sports, travel and food! Not surprisingly, her Malaysian cooking (rendang and nasi lemak) won the top award at the International Week food fiesta. Many LLMs had very significant professional experience before coming to Duke, the majority of them at large law firms doing corporate or IP work. Six LLM students came to Duke with a special interest in environmental law, and one of them, a Brazilian, has accepted a position with the National Resource Defense Council. Two LLMs were public prosecutors, one from Brazil and the other from Korea. One LLM is a judge from Korea. Two LLMs were active in political parties in their home countries, one a member of the Green Parliamentary Group of Germany. Several had long lists of publications and were adjunct or visiting professors in their home countries. Almost forty percent of the LLMs attended a Duke summer program in Geneva or Hong Kong or at the Summer Institute for Law, Language & Culture, which is held at the Law School. At Duke, among a wide range of activities, many students were engaged in sports, mainly tennis and golf. LLMs from several countries participated in a multi-week tennis tournament. The tournament organizer, an LLM from Japan, topped the men's singles. Many LLMs are now studying at Duke for the New York and California bar examinations.



## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (CONTINUED)

### SJD PROGRAM

The **SJD program** this year added 2 new candidates, one from Portugal and the other from Israel, both 2008 Duke LLM graduates. **Ana Santos** and **Avraham Osterman** both have research interests in the area of copyright law, and their primary Law School supervisor is **Professor Jerome Reichman**. Several other SJD candidates are conducting their research and working on dissertations away from Duke. SJD candidate **Haochen Sun** from China, just completing his second year in the program, recently accepted an offer as an assistant professor of IP law at the University of Hong Kong Law Faculty. **Richard Chang** from Taiwan, also completing his second SJD year, this summer is a clerk at the Electronic Privacy Information Center in Washington, DC, and will also be an intern for a U.S. Circuit Court judge.

### JD PROGRAM

The 2008-09 **JD Program** had 32 non-U.S. students from 14 countries. Many studied as undergraduates at U.S. universities. A few came directly from their home countries. The largest numbers of JD international students come from China and Canada.

## LLM NEWS

### LLM PARTICIPATION IN ANNUAL SOUTHERN JUSTICE SPRING BREAK MISSION TRIP

Two LLM students joined the JD Students again in 2009 for the annual Southern Justice Spring Break Trip to work on public interest and pro bono projects. The annual mission trip takes students throughout the south, including New Orleans, where students do hurricane-related work such as filing FEMA claims, researching aspects of the New Orleans Justice System, and gutting houses destroyed by the storm.



**Dian Abdul Hamed Shah**, an LLM from Malaysia, and **Yen-Chia Chen**, an LLM from Taiwan, volunteered at the Louisiana Green Corps and New Orleans Legal Assistance (NOLA), respectively. Shah chose to work in the manual labor section to help with the deconstruction of buildings affected by Hurricane

Katrina and restoration of the area. She was touched by the resilience of the victims in rebuilding their lives and their appreciation towards volunteers, "I have always taken great pleasure from helping people, and I came to law school with the aim of serving the community. This experience has been rejuvenating and truly meaningful in that sense, and has definitely enriched my time at Duke Law" said Shah. Chen assisted attorneys at NOLA in family law cases involving visitation rights. Chen said "Volunteering at NOLA has provided me with an opportunity to participate in real practice in the U.S. and gain practical experience."

### LATIN AMERICAN LAW SYMPOSIUM

The second Symposium on Doing Business in Latin America was held in February. The symposium was a collaborative effort by the Law School's Latin American Business Law Association and the Fuqua School of Business Latin American Student Association. The program began with a video conference with Former Argentinean President Carlos Saul Menem speaking about "Latin America as a Global Player." The former ambassador to the UN for Costa Rica and several lawyers and other officials spoke on topics such as political and social trends, legal developments and investment trends, and energy and technology experiences in the region. Duke Professor **Bill Brown** participated in presentations on the global credit crisis and its effect on Latin America, and Duke Professor **Jim Cox** and Lecturing Fellow **Sebastian Kielmanovich** (JD 04) served as symposium moderators. Several Law School students from Latin America were involved in many months of planning for the symposium.

### LLM LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION AWARD

**Yen-Chia Chen** received the 2009 LLM award for Leadership and Community Participation. Chen is committed to pro bono services and passionate about serving the community, which is reflected in his roles as LLM representative for both the DBA and the International Law Society, a staff editor for the *Duke Journal of Comparative & International Law*, a member of the Class Gift Committee and a participant in the Southern Justice Spring Break Mission Trip in New Orleans. Chen is originally from Kaohsiung City, Taiwan. He received his first law degree from National Chengchi University, an LLM in mainland China's financial and economic law from National Dong Hwa University and an LLM from Indiana University Maurer School of Law before arriving at Duke. Chen plans to take the New York bar examination and continue his legal studies by pursuing a JD degree.

### LLM Graduation Speaker

**Emmanuel Ceuster** was selected to represent the LLM class of 2009 and speak at the Law School hooding ceremony in Cameron Indoor Stadium. A native of Belgium, Ceuster received an LLB degree from FUNDP (University of Namur) in 2005 and an LLM degree from the University of Antwerp in 2008. Ceuster expects to practice corporate law after returning to Belgium.

## VISITING SCHOLARS

After a year of no visiting scholars while the Law library was being totally renovated, the program resumed with a full complement of visitors. Three, from Nigeria, Macedonia, and China, arrived with prestigious Fulbright Fellowships. The largest number came from Korea, from law firms, the judiciary, and academia. Japan and Taiwan each sent one visitor, a judge from Japan and a prosecutor from Taiwan. The judge taught a course introducing JD students to the Japanese legal system. Several visitors brought family members with them.

Professor **Yuko Nishitani** spent the spring semester at Duke. She taught a course in International Dispute Resolution in Comparative Perspective. Previously she taught at Tohoku University Law School and spent several years in Germany at the Max Planck Institute in Hamburg and also in pursuing a PhD in Law from Heidelberg University. **Youngjin Jung** from Korea during the fall semester offered a course in international trade law and also worked on a book on competition law in Northeast Asia. Mr. Jung is a lawyer specializing in antitrust law and arbitration at the Yulchon law firm in Seoul. He also has taught at Georgetown Law Center and at UC/Berkeley. He received the LLM and JSD degrees from Yale Law School. Professor **Ehud Guttel**, who was a colleague of Mr. Jung while they were both JSD students at Yale, spent the year teaching law and economics and advanced torts classes. He will stay at the Law School another year as well. Professor Guttel is a graduate of Hebrew University and holds the Cardinal Cody Chair in Law at Hebrew University. Professor **Nils Jansen** spent the fall semester at Duke teaching in the area of European private law. He is on the Law Faculty of the University of Munster where he holds the Chair for Roman Law, Legal History, and German and European Private Law. He has been a consultant to the Chinese government on the codification of tort law. He also was a Lecturer for private law at Cambridge University and a Fellow at Wolfson College, Cambridge.

## SUMMER INSTITUTES

**DUKE-GENEVA INSTITUTE IN TRANSNATIONAL LAW**  
Fifty-eight students from seventeen countries joined the 2008 Duke/Geneva Institute. Of these, eleven went on to the Duke LLM program with new Duke JD/LLM and JD friends they met at the Geneva Institute. Two young lawyers from Lagos, Nigeria, were supported by Interlaw, a global legal network. Other students came from Austria, Australia, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Germany, Guatemala, Japan, Korea, Switzerland, Thailand, and Turkey.

Duke professors teaching at the 2008 Institute were **Paul Carrington** (also serving as faculty co-director), **Doriane Coleman**, **Jim Coleman**, **Deborah DeMott**, **Tom Metzloff**, and **Richard Schmalbeck**. **Jennifer Maher** was the on-site administrator. Other faculty came from the Universities of Freiburg, Geneva, Lausanne, Leiden, Muenster, and Zurich. Courses offered were Comparative Corporate Governance, Comparative Law Governing Lawyers, International Issues in Biotechnology Law, International Sports Law, Introduction to American Law, and International Tax.

Institute participants enjoyed many extra-curricular visits to international organizations, including the opportunity to observe a working session of the Human Rights Committee, a briefing by an ICRC legal representative who covers North America (including Guantanamo), a briefing at WIPO, and a briefing about the WTO given by SJD candidate **Jan-Yves Remy** (LLM 06) (currently working at the WTO Appellate Body Secretariat) and former Duke professor, **Joost Pauwelyn**. The Institute participants also appreciated the remarks of a panel of attorneys on practicing transnational law in Geneva, which included **David**

**Ledermann** (LLM 99) and **Nicolas Killen** (LLM 00). David and Nicolas joined the annual boat cruise, along with **Andrea Wuerzner Bonvin** (LLM 98), **Nicolas Diebold** (LLM 04) and his wife Valerie, **George Fokiades** (exchange student 2007), **Etienne Patrocle** (LLM 97) and **Georg Zehetner** (LLM 00). Please join us on July 3, 2009, if you will be in or near Geneva on that date. Chin Cheung (LLM 00) also visited classmate Georg in Geneva during the Institute.

Many thanks also to alumni **Guy Vermeil** (LLM 89) and **Vladimir Markin** (LLM 97) who provided internships for JD/LLM students coming to the Geneva summer institute. We are most grateful to alumni who arrange student internships; students report to us that these experiences are invaluable in preparing them for a transnational career, and the opportunity to work overseas before an Institute is a powerful recruiting tool for Duke's JD/LLM program.

**ASIA-AMERICA INSTITUTE IN TRANSNATIONAL LAW**  
Classes for the 2008 Asia-America Institute began on July 1, the 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the transfer of Hong's Kong's sovereignty to China from Britain. In order to introduce students to Hong Kong, afternoon seminars at the start of the program focused on the history, politics, and culture of Hong Kong. Professor Johannes Chan, Dean of the Hong Kong Law Faculty, presented a particularly significant seminar on the Hong Kong constitution and Hong Kong's relationship with mainland China. Other presentations included "The IFC: What's in a Name," by **Jean-Paul Hupez** (LLM 89) who is the International Finance Corporation Legal Team Leader for East Asia and the Pacific. Prof. Carol Tan, who taught at an earlier summer institute and

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also at Duke Law School and is a professor at SOAS in London, spoke on “Civil Law and Litigation in Traditional China.” Two members of opposing political views held a debate, and a legislative councillor spoke on social activism and the courts.

The cast of 2008 faculty members was especially interesting. Comparative Constitutional Law: Asian Constitutions Under Stress was taught by Professor Rohan Edrisinha from the University of Colombo in Sri Lanka and Prof. Raul Pangalangan from the University of the Philippines. Law and Investment in Late-Developing Countries was taught by Prof. **Bob Hillman** (JD 73) from UC/Davis, who recently has been a special counsel to the President of Liberia, and Prof. Douglas Arner, HKU summer institute faculty co-director who has been involved with the financial sector reform most recently in countries like Vietnam and Cambodia. Market Practice and the Regulation of Stock Exchanges was taught by Paul Lejot from HKU and Amir Licht, professor and dean of the Radzyner Law School at the Interdisciplinary Center in Herzliya. White Collar Crime and Corruption in Asia was offered by Prof. Mark Fenwick of Kyushu University and Prof. Simon Young, HKU summer institute faculty co-director. Prof. **Neil Vidmar** from Duke shared the teaching of the International Negotiation and Arbitration class with Prof. Oliver Jones from HKU. Introduction to American Law was taught by Duke faculty members **George Christie** and **Trina Jones**.

Sixty-two students from 12 countries attended the institute. Thirty of them had a Duke connection, 14 JD/LLM students, two JD/MA students, eight JD students, and six incoming LLM students. Countries represented at the institute were Australia, Azerbaijan, China, Denmark, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Korea, Mexico, Russia, Spain, Taiwan, and the U.S. Other U.S. law schools represented were Baylor, Emory, SUNY/Buffalo, UCLA, Denver, San Diego, and William & Mary. Five Hong Kong University students also served as interns and provided orientation to HK sites, a session of the High Court, and assistance to the program administrators. Twenty-four Duke JD/LLM and JD students worked at law firms in Seoul, Osaka, Tokyo, Beijing, Shanghai, and Bangkok for 5-6 weeks before the start of the summer institute. Duke alumni facilitated the arrangements. In addition, students at the summer institute visited several U.S., British, and Australian law firms in Hong Kong, where they received information on law practice in Asia.

**Rita Pang** (JD 99) once again very kindly invited Duke alumni and Duke faculty members to a wonderful Chinese dinner at the President’s Room of the American Club. The 11 course dinner ended with a NY style cheesecake that said “Go Duke.” The event provided an elegant setting for alumni to meet and interact and also learn about what is happening at the Law School and at the summer institute. Check the Law School Web site at the alumni section for the date of this year’s alumni event.

*For more information on the summer institutes, please look at our Web site at <http://www.law.duke.edu/internat/institutes/>. If you happen to be in Geneva or Hong Kong during the month of July, be sure to stop by for a visit.*

## CAREER DEVELOPMENT NEWS

### ALUMNI PANELS AND MOCK INTERVIEWS

LLM alumni continue to support the career and professional development of Duke LLM students. Three LLM alumni came back to Duke during the Seventh Annual International Week in October 2009 and shared their perspectives and insights on career opportunities for foreign lawyers in the U.S. legal market. In addition to veteran panelists **John Curry** (LLM 05) and **Jean-Gabriel Peuchaud** (LLM 07), **Helle Weeke** (LLM 90) joined the panel from DAI (Development Alternatives Inc.). Weeke also had a breakfast discussion with JD students on the lawyer’s role in international development, where she spoke about her experience to support Vietnam’s legal governance transformation as DAI’s senior trade lawyer to the USAID-funded STAR Vietnam project.

**John Curry** (LLM 05), **Colm McInerney** (LLM 07), **Jean-Marc Poisson** (LLM 08) and **Suzanne O’Hanlon** (JD 92) also came to Duke Law School in January to provide practice interviews and networking advice to the LLM class.

## ALUMNI NEWS

### IN NEW YORK AND ABROAD

In February, **Judy Horowitz** met with 15 international alumni who are with firms in New York. The purpose of the meeting was to come together as a group to discuss items such as recruiting LLM students in a tough, competitive environment (many law schools offer large scholarships and have increased the size of their LLM programs); increasing funding for international students; taking advantage of networking opportunities; and connecting overseas law alumni associations with one another and with the Law School. The February meeting was arranged by **Thorsten Schmidt** (LLM 05) at his firm, Fulbright & Jaworski. The second meeting on June 11 was held at PricewaterCoopers, hosted by **Yair Zorea** (LLM 03). Discussion focused on more specific ways to recruit LLM students and to raise funds for LLM scholarships. The next meeting will be hosted in October by Paul Hespel (LLM 97) at his firm, Goodwin Procter. For more information about the International Alumni Advisory Group, please contact Judy Horowitz.

Groups of alumni in Japan, Taiwan, Belgium, and France met with incoming LLM students, in a variety of settings, including

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lunch, dinner, and drinks. The meetings were a very nice, informal way to provide information about studying at Duke and to introduce new students to the alumni associations in those countries. Law alumni also had dinner with Prof. **Ralf Michaels** in Osaka and with Prof. **Curt Bradley** in Tel Aviv.

## OVERSEAS TRAVEL

### IN EUROPE

Munich proved to be a delightful setting for the third Duke Law School Board of Visitors International Meeting and International Alumni Reunion, held June 19-22, 2008. The weekend included continuing legal education presentations by panels of faculty (Profs. **James Cox**, **James Coleman**, and **Jerome Reichman**), international experts, and alumni (**Lars Halgreen** (LLM 92), **George Krouse** (JD 70), **Marianne Philip** (LLM 83), **Alexander McLin** (JD 99)). An all-Duke alumni luncheon featured a state of the university address by Duke President **Richard Brodhead**. Dean **David Levi** made the event his first international travel for Duke. **Sybille Geirschmann** (LLM 99), **Markus Nauheim** (LLM 96), and **Sabine Schmidt-Pischner** (LLM 89) gave special efforts to organize the weekend, which recognized the creation of the Duke Club of Germany as German Verein (foundation). Special thanks to our sponsors, the communications management company Purerelations and the law firms of McDermott Will & Emery, Skadden Arps, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, and Taylor Wessing. Planning is already underway for the fourth international Board and alumni meeting to be held in 2010. We hope you will attend!

In Austria for the Vis Moot Competition, the Duke team and Jennifer Maher enjoyed two parties arranged by alumni to honor the team. **Bernhard Brehm** (LLM 01), **Marko MacKinnon-Volic** (LLM 03), and **Fritz Helml** (LLM 07) joined organizers Daisy Birtalan, Roland Herbst and Phoebe Kornfeld at a welcome reception and a farewell dinner, which also included the two students from Austria who will join the LLM class of 2010. In addition, Jennifer and Phoebe met at a Viennese coffee shop with **Pierre Heitzmann** (LLM 96), now a partner at Jones Day

Paris office, who was serving as an arbitrator for the competition. Another Viennese coffee shop was the setting for meeting with **Victoria Von Portatius Rosengren** (LLM 02), who is a partner in a Viennese law firm and enjoying her young daughter.

### IN ASIA

**Chun Hu** visited Shanghai and Chengdu, China in April. She visited major Chinese law firms Fangda Partners and Zhong Lun Law Firm, as well as up and coming Chinese law firms and American firms Shanghai representative office, for an overview of the legal market, hiring need and attorney development in Shanghai. Chun also explored internship opportunities for Duke JD students and employment opportunities for Duke LLM graduates with Chinese law firms. In addition to law firms, Chun visited four Chinese law schools, including East China University of Political Science and Law and Sichuan University for future student and scholar exchange programs. Chun also gave a presentation on U.S. legal education and law schools to law students at Shanghai University of Political Science and Law and Sichuan Normal University Law School. The students were very interested in case law methodology and pursuing further legal education in the U.S. Chun had dinner with **Wendy Wang** (LLM 06) and **Lei Yu** (LLM 06) in Shanghai, both are now legal directors of leading American companies' Asian Pacific operations.

We all feel extremely fortunate to have such dedicated, hospitable alumni who greet Duke Law School folks so warmly.

### LLM SCHOLARSHIP FUND

We want to encourage alumni who wish to make a contribution to the Law School to consider strongly designating the contribution for the LLM Scholarship Fund. Many law firms will double the contribution if you tell them that you are making a donation. Thirty-four members of the 2009 graduating class made gifts and pledges to the scholarship fund. All gifts are greatly appreciated and help to make Duke competitive with other law schools that are able to make more generous gifts to scholarship funds.

## ENGAGEMENTS

**Kai Peter Ziegler** (LLM 97) announces his engagement to Emma-Jean Hinchy in Brussels in April 2007 and plans to hold their wedding in summer 2009. **Hemali Mehta** (LLM ) to Manish on December 28, 2007 in Mumbai.

## MARRIAGES

**Holger Haenecke** (LLM 99) to Herdis in Germany in June 2008. **Giovanni Graziano** (LLM 97)



to Cristina on August 7, 2009 in Costa Rica. **Roy Guy-Green** (LLM 07) to Nili on June 16, 2009 in Neve Ilan, Israel. **Augusto Francisco Cauti** (LLM 99) to Ximena Vallejos Fernadex on April 25, 2009 in Lima, Peru. **Rasmus Goksor** (SJD 09) to Carlye on July 25, 2008. **Alon Azulay** (LLM 08) to Liron in Israel in September 2008.

## BIRTHS

**Lin Chua** (LLM 00) and husband, Evert Vink, welcomed Julian Evert Tai Vink on May 15, 2008. **Mimi Sengupta** (LLM 00) welcomed twins, a son named Anshul and a daughter named Anshika, on June 10, 2008. **Carlos Jose Valderrama** (LLM 08) and wife, Caroline, welcomed a daughter, Carolina, on June

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26, 2008. **Nicolas Diebold** (LLM 04) and wife, Valerie, welcomed a son, Laurin Fynn, on July 21, 2008. **Carol Lin** (SJD 05) and husband, Thomas, welcomed a son, George, on June 20, 2008. **David Vallarino** (LLM 01) welcomed his third child, Paulo, on August 29, 2008. **Jan Maarten Gerretsen** (LLM 90) and wife, Marianne, welcomed a daughter, Lotte Lieve, on August 11, 2008 in Amsterdam. **Rita Pang** (JD 99) and husband, Edwin, welcomed a daughter, Candace, on October 8, 2008. **Olya Borghesani** (LLM 03), welcomed a daughter, Sophia Carina, on July 2, 2007. **David Ledermann** (LLM 99) and wife, **Sharon Cummings** (JD 00), welcomed a daughter, Leona, on August 29, 2008. **Donald Earl Childress III** (JD/LLM 04) and wife, Lisa, welcomed a son, Jacob, on November 24, 2008. **William Kahn** (JD 00) and wife, Marianne, welcomed twin girls, Lucile and Pauline, on December 15, 2008. **Thomas Wallinder** (LLM 91) welcomed a daughter, Ottilia Emma Louise, on January 4, 2009. **Murad Al-Fares** (LLM 06) welcomed a son, Wael, on January 14, 2009. **Andrea Wuerzner** (LLM 98) welcomed a son, Neal, on March 11, 2009. **Yongyi Li** (JD 07) and wife, Tina, welcomed a son, Muyang, on April 21, 2009. **Sibylle Gierschmann** (LLM 99) welcomed a daughter, Julia Alice, on April 30, 2009.

## CLASS NOTES

### *Class of 1987*

**Roger Bilodeau** has left Heenan Blaikie and started a sole practice in Ottawa in the areas of public law and administrative law, as well as international development work regarding legal structures and the rule of law in countries in transition. Roger will conduct a one-week seminar in Hanoi in June as part of a Canadian consortium to Vietnamese civil servants in regard to public policy development. **Suk-Ho Bang** (JD, LLM 85) is now President of Korea Information Society Development Institute, a policy thinktank for Korean Communications Commission. His son, Peter, is a sophomore at Duke Trinity College.

### *Class of 1989*

**Ji Xiang Huang** visited Duke Law School in April with his daughter, who was admitted to Duke University. Ji Xiang practices immigration law in Tucson, Arizona, and is the only Chinese-speaking attorney in Tucson.

### *Class of 1991*

**Hansjoerg Piehl** and his family have moved to Munster, Germany and he is now managing partner of a mid-size regional firm. **Henning Krauss** has joined WEITNAUER in Munich, Germany.

### *Class of 1992*

**Andreas Haffner** has been promoted to Director of Human Resources of Porsche Holding Corporation.

### *Class of 1996*

**Takeru Tanojiri** has transferred to Aomori District Public Prosecutors Office to be the Deputy Chief Prosecutor.

### *Class of 1997*

**Paulo Larrain** has become a founding partner of Noguera, Larrain & Dulanto in Chile. **Francois Renard** has relocated to Beijing to head the Antitrust and Trade practice of Allen & Overy. **Kai Ziegler** has joined the cabinet of the Bulgarian judge at the Court of Justice of the European Commission. **Lars Feuerpeil** has moved from the legal to the business side and is now head of the Corporate M&A Department of Henkel Group.

### *Class of 1998*

**Manuel Frey** has been named partner at Paul Weiss Rifkind Wharton & Garrison.

### *Class of 1999*

**Varun Sahay** is now CEO Asia Pacific for Sioen Industries N.V. after working for ArcelorMittal as integration head between Eastern Europe and Western Europe. **Alessandra Boin** has left Mattos Filho Advogados to join her father's business in Brazil. **Holger Haenecke** has returned to McKinsey & Company as Manager of Professional Development after working as Chief Strategist of Microsoft's Public Sector Sales Unit. Holger's band Moxy is in preparation for the release of a new album and their current songs and videos can be found at <http://www.moxy.de>. **Luis Sprovieri** has been elected as a member of the American Law Institute as of 2009. **Pascal Duclos** has been named General Counsel of the Year by the International Law Office (ILO) and the Association of Corporate Counsel Europe (ACC Europe). Pascal is the first Swiss general counsel to win this prestigious award.

### *Class of 2001*

**Heinrich Baelz** has been working for Latham & Watkins Hamburg office specializing in corporate law and privatization in infrastructure sector. **Fernando Fresco** has joined KUFPEC (Kuwait Foreign Petroleum) as International Senior Legal Officer in Kuwait. **Pirouzan Parvine** has become Of Counsel at Salans and is coordinating Salans Central and Eastern European French Desk. **Yevgenia Rebotunova** left White & Case and has been working as Managing Director of Europolis Real Estate Asset Management Russian branch.

### *Class of 2002*

**Mathilde Houet-Weil** and **Eric Weil** have started their Paris law firm with **Pierre Tartinville** (LLM 04). They represent a lot of American clients in international arbitration and M&A. **Daisy Birtalan** has joined Heinke Skribe und Partner Rechtsanwalte GmbH. **Olivier Oosterbaan** has started his own IP/IT boutique practice, Create Law, in his hometown Amsterdam.

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### *Class of 2003*

**Yair Zorea** has relocated to New York City to work for the International Tax Department of PricewaterhouseCoopers. **Olya Borghesani** has left legal practice to pursue a PhD in psychology and moved back to the US to continue her studies. **Guillermo Plate** is now Commercial Director of Equity Trust in Buenos Aires, in charge of developing business and marketing throughout Latin American and Caribbean region.

### *Class of 2004*

**Jose Miguel Mestre** (fall exchange) has joined Sagardoy Abogados, a leading Spanish law firm in Employment Law. **Leif-Eric Langguth** has relocated to the U.S. to work for Roedl Langford de Kock in Atlanta. **Jenifer Anderson** has joined White & Case Johannesburg office. **Sophie Marquet** and **Olivier Marquet** (visiting scholar) announce the creation of PCM Avocat to counsel clients in business transactions and litigations in Monaco.

### *Class of 2005*

**Liza Klimova-Troxler** has been working for Alston & Bird Charlotte office.

### *Class of 2006*

**Wendy Wang** has joined Watts Water Technologies Inc. as VP of Legal Affairs & Compliance of Watts Asian operations. **Lei Yu** has joined Tyco Healthcare International Trading as Legal Director of the greater China region. **Philippe Chenu** has joined Loyens in Luxembourg. **Luciano Cruz Morande** has returned to Chile and joined Arteaga Gorziglia & Cia after working as an international lawyer at the New York office of Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton. **Murad Al-Fares** is a visiting scholar at Lewis and Clark Law School in Portland, working on a project to offer legal writing class in Palestine universities, funded by the USAID. **Alberto Paez** has returned to the International Legal Department of FEMSA, after concluding his internship at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton New York office. **Takashi Kokubo** has joined Integral Corporation as an attorney/investment

professional. **Ricardo Reveo** was honored as the Best Professor of Civil Law at the University of Chile of 2008.

### *Class of 2007*

**Tae Sun Kim** is now a law professor at Chung-nam University College of Law. **Ujin Ahn** (JD) has relocated to Korea with his family and is now working for Yulchon. **Roy Guy-Green** has moved back to Israel to practice law after clerking for a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals Ninth Circuit. He has been retained by Jerusalem JSPCS and the Israeli Animal Rights Committee as their legal counsel. **Colm McInerney** has published an article in the winter 2009 issue of the *New York International Law Review* on WTO disputes and exceptions to trading trules. **Gudmundur Sigurdsson** has returned to Iceland after two years of working at the Boston office of Greenberg Traurig and is now a partner of Lex Law Offices. He teaches a corporate finance course at Reykjavik University this semester.

### *Class of 2008*

**Carlos Jose Valderrama** is working for the World Bank in D.C. **Carlos Kaplan** is now working for Fenwick & West in Silicon Valley doing tax and clean energy work for companies in Latin America. **Diego Abadia** has joined the Legal Department of The Panama Canal Authority and is working on the Panama Canal expansion project. **Romana Siddiqi** has returned to Karachi, Pakistan and founded Infrastructure Solutions International, a start up company to develop power and water projects in Pakistan and the Middle East. **Heidi Malmberg** has returned to Finland and joined Castrén & Snellman. **Melissa Healy** is now working for Baker & McKenzie Brussels office in their EC, Competition and Trade department. **Bjoern Waterkotte** has joined Hengeler Mueller after finishing a two-month internship with Shearman & Sterling New York office. **Yusuke Abe** is working in the London office of Clifford Chance and will return to its Tokyo office this summer. **Ryoichi Yamazaki** is working as a secondee at the London office of Dewey & LeBoeuf. **Jaratus Chamratrithirong** (SJD) is now working at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand, working on WTO issues and negotiations of the FTAs.

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