International Yearbook Started At Law School

The University of Michigan Law School will launch a new publication, the Michigan Yearbook of International Legal Studies, containing articles by lawyers, scholars and students in the field of international and comparative law.

Approved by a Law School faculty committee, the journal will be published once a year beginning around March, 1979.

It will have a senior editorial board of six or more Law School upperclassmen who, along with other student staff members, will be appointed by the Law School’s faculty committee. The appointments will be made on the basis of scholastic achievement and writing skills.

The Michigan Yearbook joins two other widely respected student-edited law journals at the Law School—the Michigan Law Review, published since 1902, and the Journal of Law Reform, which was established in 1968.

U-M law Prof. John H. Jackson, a member of the faculty committee supervising the Michigan Yearbook, notes that the first issue will follow a Law School conference, sponsored by the student International Law Society, dealing with legal measures to curb foreign “dumping” of products in the U.S. at illegally low prices. The conference is being planned for November, 1978.

“The conference speakers would probably provide a number of papers which would become articles in the symposium volume,” notes Jackson.

In general, says Jackson, “it is planned by the students that each issue of the new publication will include three to eight articles from established scholars, lawyers or government officials, plus a number of student contributions including comments or case notes, appendices, and bibliographies.

“The basic idea is to produce a volume of high quality that will be useful to scholars, government officials and practitioners. The students have decided that a first issue should be devoted to anti-dumping law and should be ready for press toward the middle of the next academic year.”

Regarding anti-dumping, Jackson notes: “This subject is extraordinarily timely right now, in the light of U.S. developments in anti-dumping law, particularly with reference to the steel industry. In addition, the European Common Market has become active in using anti-dumping measures, so the issue takes on a renewed international importance.”

Jackson notes that the new U-M law publication was initially proposed by students with a special interest in international law.

Other members of the faculty supervisory committee include Profs. Alfred F. Conard, Eric Stein, Gerald M. Rosberg and Emeritus Prof. William W. Bishop.

Among other functions, the faculty committee “will make the final selection of all personnel on the senior editorial board and of all staff members on the basis of their overall scholastic record, demonstrated writing skills and past writing experience,” notes a Law School memorandum.

“For the first several issues, every piece to be published will be read and reviewed by at least one faculty member, and that faculty member in consultation with the faculty committee will have the right to veto the inclusion of any piece in the publication, on grounds of inadequate quality.”

Professorship Named For Paul Kauper

The Law School has established a new endowed professorship, named for the late U-M law Prof. Paul G. Kauper.

U-M law Dean Theodore J. St. Antoine noted that the professorship, to be filled at a later date, will be funded from annual earnings of the privately supported Paul G. Kauper Memorial Fund. Appointments will be made by the Regents on the recommendation of the dean of the Law School.

In addition to the professorship, the dean said the fund would also support student fellowships or scholarships, supplies, publication costs for scholarly materials, employment of research assistants, and other scholarly activities at the Law School.

One of the nation’s leading constitutional scholars, Prof. Kauper died in 1974 after serving on the Michigan law faculty for 38 years.

Many of his writings dealt with such questions as the state and the individual conscience, order and liberty, relations of the three branches of government, and human rights in the international community.

Among Kauper’s books were “Cases and Materials on Constitutional Law,” “Frontiers of Constitutional Liberty,” “Civil Liberties and the Constitution” and “Religion and the Constitution.”

Holder of the distinguished Henry Butzel Professorship at the Law School, Kauper in 1971 was named the U-M’s Henry Russel Lecturer—the highest honor the University can bestow on a senior faculty member.

His son, Thomas E. Kauper, is currently on the U-M law faculty, teaching antitrust and property law. From 1972 to 1976 the younger Kauper served as Assistant U.S. Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division.