Faculty News

At their May 1992 meeting, the Regents of the University of Michigan promoted assistant professors Jeffrey S. Lehman and Kent Syverud, both former editors-in-chief of the Michigan Law Review, to the rank of full professors with tenure.

Lehman earned both a J.D. and Master of Public Policy degree at Michigan after receiving a bachelor’s degree in mathematics from Cornell University. He clerked for Chief Judge Frank Coffin of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit and for Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens. Lehman, who joined the Michigan faculty in 1987, teaches and publishes in the areas of taxation and social welfare policy. He was also the force behind establishment of the Program in Legal Assistance for Urban Communities, a program that involves law students with Detroit community-based economic development groups.

Syverud also joined the faculty in 1987. He clerked for Judge Louis O’Connor. Syverud has twice been awarded the L. Hart Wright Outstanding Teacher Award by the law school student body. His scholarship includes studies of liability insurance and of settlement negotiations, as well as research on legal problems of advanced automotive technologies.

Debra A. Livingston, an associate with Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in New York, has been hired as an assistant professor. She is scheduled to teach evidence in the fall. In the winter term she will teach a seminar on ethical issues in criminal law and a criminal procedure course. Livingston received her J.D. from Harvard Law School in 1984, where she was articles editor of the Law Review. She received her undergraduate degree from Princeton University’s Woodrow Wilson School of Politics and International Affairs.

After law school, Livingston was a legal consultant to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and clerked for Judge J. Edward Lumbard of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

For four years she worked in U.S. Attorney’s office for the Southern District of New York, as assistant to the

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U.S. attorney in the public corruption unit and then as deputy chief appellate attorney.

Deborah C. Malamud has been also hired as an assistant professor. An associate at Bredhoff & Kaiser, Malamud has specialized in representing labor unions in labor and employment law. In the fall she will teach a course in labor law. She will teach classes on employment discrimination and race, class and cultural diversity in the winter term.

Malamud graduated from the University of Chicago Law School in 1986 where she served as articles editor of the Law Review. She graduated with a degree in religion from Wesleyan University.

In 1988-89 Malamud was a clerk to Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun. The previous year she clerked for Judge Louis H. Pollak (U.S. Dist. Ct., E.D. Pa.).