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John A. E. Pottow was a National Scholar at Harvard Law School, where he earned his J.D. *magna cum laude* and graduated approximately in the top 1 percent of his class. While in law school, he also served as treasurer and as a member of the board of trustees of the *Harvard Law Review*.

During the summer between his first and second years of law school he worked with Professor Arthur R. Miller, a former University of Michigan Law School faculty member, on the supplement to Wright, Miller and U-M Law School Professor Edward Cooper's monumental *Federal Practice & Procedure* and helped to revise a volume of the treatise.

As a Harvard College undergraduate working toward his *summa cum laude* bachelor's degree in psychology, Pottow also compiled an impressive record: Phi Beta Kappa; winner of the National Entrance Scholarship; winner of the John Harvard Annual Scholarship four consecutive years; awarded the Thomas Hoopes Prize for Undergraduate Research; and winner of the Gordon Allport Prize in Psychology.

In addition, he was president and jazz program host on WHRB-FM, student conductor of the Harvard University Band, and a member of the Hasty Pudding Theatricals group and the crew team.

Pottow has clerked for judges in two countries — the Rt. Hon. Beverley McLachlin of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Hon. Guido Calabresi of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He has practiced with Hill & Barlow in Boston as an associate in the litigation department, focusing on both appellate and trial work. In addition to drafting the successful principal brief in a 67-party, first-impression leveraged buyout bankruptcy appeal before the First Circuit, Pottow won asylum for an Afghan national seeking gender-

based relief from the Taliban regime.

Currently, Pottow is project director of the National Consumer Bankruptcy Project, which is studying some 2,000 bankruptcy filings and developing a database to analyze court records.

Pottow will begin teaching at the Law School in fall 2003.



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While at Harvard Law School, where she earned her law degree *cum laude*, Molly Shaffer Van Houweling served as articles editor for the *Harvard Journal of Law & Technology* and as a teaching and research fellow at the Berkman Center for Internet & Society, where she

designed and coordinated an online course on Internet privacy, developed the curriculum for a seminar on "Internet and Society," and researched Internet domain name, free expression, and intellectual property issues. Van Houweling was also a research assistant to professors Arthur R. Miller and Lawrence Lessig, and a teaching fellow in the Harvard College Government Department (where she received the Derek Bok Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Education).

At the University of Michigan, where she earned her bachelor's degree in political science with Highest Distinction, Van Houweling was inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa Honorary Society and named the William Jennings Bryan Outstanding Political Science Graduate. She received high honors for her undergraduate thesis, *The Politics of Presidential Position-Taking*.

Van Houweling comes to the Law School from Stanford Law School, where she has been a fellow at the Center for Internet and Society and executive director of Creative Commons, a nonprofit corporation that facilitates sharing of intellectual property. She previously served as law clerk to Justice David H. Souter of the U.S. Supreme Court and to the Hon. Michael Boudin of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, and as one of the initial staff members of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, the organization that oversees the Internet domain name system.

Van Houweling has published in the *University of Colorado Journal of Telecommunications & High Technology Law* (forthcoming) and the *Harvard Journal on Legislation*. She currently is working on an article about the state action doctrine in the context of conflicts between property law and Internet-based speech.