Payton, ‘96, Takes Yoga Behind Bars

By Stuart Glascock

Every Friday night Gwendolyn Payton, ’96, transitions from top-flight class-action litigator to jailhouse yoga instructor.

Her metamorphosis unfurls in her 41st-floor office in Seattle’s downtown financial district, where Payton is a partner at Lane Powell PC, one of the Pacific Northwest’s largest law firms.

First, she holsters her always-on Blackberry and swaps her professional courtroom attire for gym togs. On a 12-minute walk to the jail, Payton makes the mental leap. She temporarily sidelines thoughts of her firm’s class-action practice group, hiring, and pro-bono committees, all of which she chairs. As she leaves behind the Emerald City’s postmodern glass and steel public library, luxury retailers, and theaters, she ponders the strange, hidden subculture she’s about to penetrate.

Just beyond the urban glitz and glamour, she arrives at a drab, manila-colored, concrete fortress: the King County Correctional Facility. Built in 1986, the 20-story structure could have been designed by Kafka for the KGB. It exudes misery.

Clearing security—a gauntlet of identification checks, metal detectors, surveillance cams, remote-controlled steel doors, and guards with guns and Tasers—extracts 40 minutes. Inside the lockup, 14 edgy men in burnt-orange, jail-issued jumpsuits queue up for yoga in the clink.

For the next two hours, Payton pilots them through a taxing series of yoga postures—poses that exhaust muscles from the inside out. The men twist, lunge, and sweat—not to pump up their biceps, but to build up inner might.

In her class, the first 30 minutes “really tire them physically. It’s the best gift I can give them,” Payton says. “They will be sweating and screaming and moaning. I get immediate feedback. They are not shy.”

As the session ends, the men bask, stretched out on the floor. Their chests rise and fall in slow, relaxed rhythms. The deep breathing warms the instructor’s heart. “This is when I know it is successful,” she says.

When it’s over, the inmates file back to their multilevel cell blocks feeling less confrontational and high strung.

“I have always felt called to serve the incarcerated,” Payton says. “I am committed to this. I believe in the transformative power of yoga.”

In a big part of that service, Payton volunteers for Yoga Behind Bars, a Washington state nonprofit that places certified yoga teachers inside correctional settings. About 35 yoga teachers give free classes at seven prisons and jails.

Teaching yoga in a frenetic jail reminds Natalie Smith, executive director of Yoga Behind Bars, of emergency room triage: Many jail detainees await transfer, release, or trial and do not yet know the length of their imprisonment. And some face shock at being incarcerated. Others endure withdrawal from drugs or alcohol. Many suffer war zone–like injuries from gang fights, stabblings, gunshots, or car wrecks. Everyone looks over their shoulders.

“We are trying to keep people safe and sane in that moment,” Smith says. “We’re trying to give someone a moment of peace in their most difficult hour.”

Citing the benefits of mindfulness practices, corrections-based mental health professionals cheer Yoga Behind Bars. The program costs taxpayers nothing.

“Volunteers who provide programs to inmates are the unsung heroes in corrections,” says Commander William Hayes, spokesman for the jail.

One Seattle jail yoga student said the program should extend “all over the jail, not just one unit.” Another praised the exercise: “For a second, I was at complete peace with myself.”

Practicing yoga can spark unexpected emotions; jailed men sometimes shed tears in yoga class, Payton says. The average age in men’s jail is 37. Four of five are incarcerated for nonviolent conduct, such as property offenses and criminal trespass.

Behind bars, Payton doesn’t dig into Eastern philosophy or explore Sanskrit terms: “We’re not there to do anything but yoga,” Payton says. “The yoga allows the men to manage stress. They experience calm.”

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1966

Jon Carlson received a Lifetime Achievement Award at the Institutional Investor Magazine’s 19th annual Mutual Fund Industry Awards Ceremony for his actions as an independent director of mutual funds that helped reform fund governance rules and practices to better serve the interests of shareholders.

1969


1970

Gregory L. Curtner has joined Schiff Hardin LLP as a partner, and is leading the firm’s Antitrust and Trade Regulation Practice firm-wide, working from both the Ann Arbor and New York offices. He also will be integral to the firm’s Sports Law Practice. Before joining Schiff Hardin, he was a principal at Miller Canfield in Ann Arbor.

John S. Pfarr has written a book, *The Inventor’s Fortune Up For Grabs* (Book Publishers Network), along with one of his clients, Suzanne G. Beyer. The book tells the story, from two perspectives, of a group of 10 cousins trying to receive some of their great-uncle’s trust before it falls into the hands of strangers. Pfarr shows the case’s journey through the Rhode Island court system, while his client, Beyer, shows the reader what happened in her family of cousins during this six-year case. *The Will* on Investigation Discovery featured the estate story last year and featured Pfarr and Beyer.

David Lick, a shareholder at Foster Swift Collins & Swift P.C., was elected to the 2012 executive committee for the Design-Build Institute of America (DBIA). Lick will oversee public-private partnerships for the DBIA.

1973

Edmund Cooke Jr. has joined Gordon & Rees LLP as senior counsel in the firm’s Washington, D.C., office. In addition to counseling and representing Fortune 500 companies in legal matters covering a wide array of employment issues, he specializes in diversity counseling and providing assistance with complex disputes and investigations from regulatory agencies and civil rights groups. He also helps clients design and implement diversity plans and employment audits, crisis communications, and diversity supplier programs. He is making the move to Gordon & Rees from the D.C. office of Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, where he was a member of the Labor & Employment Group.

1974

Bruce Howell joined Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt in the firm’s Portland, Oregon, office. He joins Schwabe from the Dallas office of the St. Louis–based law firm Bryan Cave LLC, and will continue to focus his practice in the area of health care at Schwabe. He has extensive experience with physician practice issues, fraud and abuse, and reimbursement.

1975

James D. Spaniolo, president of The University of Texas at Arlington, will retire from the university. He will continue to lead the university until the University of Texas System Board of Regents completes a search for his successor. Under his leadership, UT Arlington has been transformed into a residential campus that forms the nucleus of a growing college town, and his administration is credited for dramatically lifting and improving the profile of the University—boosting enrollment, increasing research expenditures, recruiting new faculty, assembling a strong executive team, strengthening the academic profile, leading the way in online and international education programs, and constructing major new facilities. He also forged collaborative partnerships with the City of Arlington and other institutions and organizations, both public and private.

1976

Patrick E. Mears, a partner in Barnes & Thornburg’s Grand Rapids office, has been re-elected chair of the national Finance, Insolvency, and Restructuring Department. He has served in the leadership position for the past six years. In addition, he has been appointed as an observer to two Uniform Law Commission committees. His assigned committees include the Receivership Study Committee and the Residential Real Estate Mortgage Foreclosure Process and Protections Drafting Committee. Also, he has been elected president of the West Michigan Chapter of the Turnaround Management Association (TMA) for 2012–13. As president, he will officially represent the chapter and will take on various responsibilities, including planning and coordinating activities for the chapter and conducting meetings of the chapter’s board of directors. He previously served as chair of TMAs Programs and Membership Committee, and as a member of the board of directors.

Mark Mestel is the recipient of the Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers’ 2012 William O. Douglas Award. This is considered the organization’s most prestigious honor, recognizing an outstanding attorney who exemplifies extraordinary achievement, courage, and dedication to the practice of criminal law. He has been a member of the Washington Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers since its creation, and he has been practicing for more than 30 years.
1978

Randall R. Hall was named the new Business Law Department leader at Plunkett Cooney, where he is a partner. He focuses his personal practice in the areas of banking law and commercial real estate, and he has been licensed to practice in Michigan and Texas for more than 30 years. In his role as Business Law Department leader, he oversees the day-to-day operations of the firm’s Corporate and Transactional Practice, which includes approximately 50 attorneys in Michigan, Ohio, and Indiana.

Anthony J. Kolenic Jr., a partner with Warner Norcross & Judd LLP, has been honored with Muskegon (Michigan) Community College’s Distinguished Alumni Award. The Distinguished Alumni Award is given annually and is the highest honor that the college bestows upon its alumni. He received the award based on his outstanding achievements both in his personal and professional life and for his commitment to community service. In addition to the award, he spoke to graduating students during the commencement ceremony in April.

1979

Seventeen members of the class of ’79, along with 13 of their spouses, decided not to wait for a reunion year to get together. They met up the weekend of March 16–18, 2012, at the John Rutledge House in Charleston, South Carolina, and had a wonderful time.

Julie A. Greenberg published a book with NYU Press, *Intersexuality and the Law: Why Sex Matters*. She is a law professor and former associate dean of faculty at Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego. She teaches Business Associations, Sexuality and the Law, and Gender and the Law. Her recent scholarship, which has been cited by a number of courts, focuses on legal issues related to intersexuality and gender identity.

Steven D. Weyhing has joined the law firm of Warner Norcross & Judd LLP as senior counsel. He will concentrate his practice on litigation, government, utility, agricultural, and environmental law, practicing in the firm’s Lansing, Michigan, office. Prior to joining Warner Norcross, he was a member of Kelley Cawthorne in Lansing. He has also worked at the law firms of Butzel Long and Miller Canfield.

1980

Ron Heller was elected vice chair of the Land Use Commission of the State of Hawaii. He was appointed to the commission in 2010 by Governor Linda Lingle, and was elected by the commission itself as vice chair for 2012–13. He continues to practice law in Honolulu, concentrating on tax and business litigation, with Torkildson Katz.

Charles Hertlein, a partner in Dinsmore’s Cincinnati office, has been recognized for his superior client service as a 2012 BTI Client Service All-Star. The honor is awarded by BTI Consulting Group. He is a partner in Dinsmore’s Corporate Department, primarily practicing in corporate, securities, and mergers and acquisitions.

1981

Charles M. Denton, a partner in Barnes & Thornburg LLP’s Grand Rapids, Michigan, office and chair of the firm’s Environmental Department, has been elected to the Michigan Chemistry Counsel’s (MCC) board of directors for a one-year term. He was appointed at the MCC Annual Meeting in May. Denton will continue as chair of the MCC Government Affairs Committee.

1982

Mark T. Boonstra, a principal in the Ann Arbor office of Miller Canfield, has been reappointed by the Michigan Supreme Court to the Committee on Model Civil Jury Instructions, which drafts standard instructions for juries in civil cases. The committee, comprising 21 lawyers and judges, is charged with ensuring that the Model Civil Jury Instructions are concise, understandable, conversational, not slanted, and not argumentative. It also has the authority to amend or repeal existing instructions and, when appropriate, adopt new instructions. At Miller Canfield, he is co-chair of the firm’s Appellate Section and deputy leader of the Litigation Group, handling business and commercial disputes of all kinds.

Bill Dobbs penned an article titled “Justice Doesn’t Require Vengeance” that was published on The New York Times website in April in the Room for Debate section.
Saudek, ’69: Harnessing Solar Energy to Light Up Liberia

By Lori Atherton

In a country where most homes lack electricity, “kids can’t study, businesses can’t operate, people can’t do their work at home,” says Robert Saudek, ’69.

That’s why he is working with the Liberian Energy Network (LEN) to bring solar lights to one of the poorest countries in the world.

Saudek is the vice president, treasurer, and director of LEN, a nonprofit organization founded by Richard Fahey, a retired environmental lawyer from Ohio and former Peace Corps volunteer who served in Liberia in the 1960s. The two met in 2011, when both were fellows of Harvard University’s Advanced Leadership Initiative, a program that helps late-career or retired professionals apply their leadership skills toward addressing social problems.

“What appealed to me about LEN is that there is a serious need for electricity in Liberia; houses just go dark at night,” says Saudek, a founder and retired managing partner of Morris, Manning & Martin, LLP, one of Atlanta’s largest law firms. “And yet, there is a solution—these solar lights, which are portable and not terribly expensive.”

Like many Third World countries, Liberia is struggling to rebuild its infrastructure, particularly its electric grid, following more than a decade of civil war, which ended in 2003. While some businesses and some affluent Liberians use generators, most of the country’s poorer inhabitants are forced to rely on firewood, candlelight, or kerosene lamps to light their homes and businesses after sundown.

Saudek made his first visit to Liberia in May to work on the distribution of LEN’s first shipment of 200 solar lights. Another order of 540 lights already has been placed, and a third shipment is expected to reach Liberia later in the year. The goal, he says, is to have 2,000 solar lights delivered to Liberia in the first year of LEN’s existence.

LEN sells the lights in its retail shop in the capital of Monrovia, as well as through partner organizations, such as the Ganta Methodist Mission Hospital, Advanced Youth Project, and the Christ Network for Good, charging only enough for the lights to offset the cost of manufacturing, shipping, and other operational expenses.

“There is a trend in the social enterprise world not to give things away, but rather to create revenue to the extent necessary to break even and try to make it affordable to the people you are trying to reach,” Saudek says. “It’s basically a break-even, nonprofit model.”

Several sizes and types of solar lights are available; the smallest is a reading light, which costs about $17, while the largest (more than $500) is capable of lighting a hospital ward. Another model, roughly the size of a portable flashlight, sells for $62 and has the ability to charge cell phones, which have become popular in Liberia in recent years, but are expensive to charge considering the average Liberian makes 52 cents a day.

“The cell phone phenomenon is inconsistent with a country that has too little money,” Saudek says, “and yet five or so years ago, people started buying cell phones. It’s really the only way people can stay in touch and operate over there. But there is a cost to charge cell phones; you have to go to cell-phone charging centers, and that costs $40 to $50 per year. Most of our solar lights not only will provide lighting for the purchasers but also will allow the purchasers to save the cost of charging their cell phones, and will provide opportunities for the purchasers to generate income by charging their friends and neighbors to charge their cell phones on the solar light.”

Providing a solution to Liberia’s energy needs, as well as seeing how receptive Liberians are to using solar energy, is fulfilling for Saudek, who considers his work with LEN to be a new career.

“It’s been a wonderful development to have a second career of this type,” Saudek says. “Taking on something that’s consequential and challenging and doing good for people who are in severe need has been a great thing for me. I would encourage other lawyers at this stage of their careers to look into doing something like this. They won’t regret it.”

For more information on the Liberian Energy Network, visit lightingliberia.org.
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—Azadeh Shahshahani, ’04

Shahshahani, ’04, Elected President of National Lawyers Guild

By Lara Zielin

Azadeh Shahshahani was born in 1979, four days after the Iranian revolution. Her name means “free-spirited” in Persian, so it’s perhaps fitting that, today, Shahshahani directs the National Security and Immigrants’ Rights Project at the ACLU of Georgia. From this post, she works on human-rights issues and battles for the fair treatment of refugees and immigrants, especially those behind bars.

“I thought for a time you had to be in the United Nations or in some major metropolitan area to do human-rights work and make a difference,” says Shahshahani, the newly elected president of the National Lawyers Guild (NLG)—the first woman of color ever to hold the position.

As it turns out, there’s plenty to do right here in the United States.

Shahshahani, ’04, was in her second semester of law school when the September 11 terrorist attacks occurred. “I immediately started hearing about friends being approached by the FBI. Many thought they had to subject themselves to questioning without legal representation.” These post-9/11 experiences showed Shahshahani how vulnerable certain communities could be to discrimination.

When Shahshahani graduated, she went with her husband, Maysam Ghovanloo (MS ’03, PhD ’04), whom she met at U-M, to North Carolina, where he had a teaching job. There, she approached the North Carolina ACLU “with the idea for a project that would empower [Muslim and immigrant communities] during FBI questioning, or while facing discriminatory practices.” Once her husband landed a job at Georgia Tech, Shahshahani expanded her role with the ACLU in Georgia.

“When I started, it was in the middle of the Georgia legislative session,” she says. The legislature was in the process of trying to pass a host of anti-immigrant measures. In addition, “people in a local county where local police had become involved with immigration enforcement were getting picked up and arrested, and the conditions in the jail at that time were not humane. I got to work immediately.”

Shahshahani has battled tirelessly to improve conditions in immigration detention centers. Georgia has four—one of which is the largest in the United States. She helped write a report on a three-year study of the centers, and the conditions inside. The report documents violations of detainees’ due-process rights, inadequate living conditions, inadequate medical and mental health care, and abuse of power by those in charge. One of Shahshahani’s goals is to get those facilities that are managed by private companies to revert back to government oversight. “Profit is being made by the imprisonment of human beings in substandard conditions,” she says.

As president of NLG—the country’s oldest network of public-interest and human-rights activists working within the legal system—she looks forward to better engaging law students with a passion for social justice and law. “NLG lawyers have traditionally worked with people who have had their rights violated,” she says. “It’s critical to expose these violations, to create conversation around it. That’s what needs to happen in order to create change.”
**Tim Hester**, a partner at Covington & Burling LLP in Washington, D.C., was elected to serve a second four-year term as chair of the Management Committee. His practice is concentrated in the field of antitrust litigation and antitrust counseling matters.

Richard I. Werder Jr. has been inducted as a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers. He is a partner at Quinn Emanuel as a fellow in the American College of Trial Counseling Matters.

**1983**

Jonathan Hollingsworth became the Ohio State Bar Association’s (OSBA) president-elect at the OSBA’s Annual Convention in Cincinnati. He will take office as OSBA president on July 1, 2013. He is principal in the Dayton firm of J. Hollingsworth & Associates, LLC, where he concentrates on litigation, employment, corporate and business, insurance defense, medical malpractice, personal injury, and legal disciplinary matters.

Denise J. Lewis, a partner at Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP, has been appointed to the Board of Trustees for St. John Providence Health System, one of the largest providers of inpatient care in Michigan and one of the largest employers in metro Detroit. She has served on the boards of several nonprofit organizations in Metro Detroit over the years. She is a member of Honigman’s Real Estate Department.

**1984**

Margaret Chutich serves as a judge on the Minnesota Court of Appeals, having been appointed by Governor Mark Dayton in January 2012. Before that, she served for three years as assistant dean at the Hubert H. Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota, overseeing many aspects of the student experience, from recruitment to career planning. Prior to that, she practiced law for 25 years in various capacities at the Minnesota Attorney General’s Office, including service as deputy attorney general of the Law Enforcement Section.

**1987**

Carolyn Evaní was named president of The Komen Phoenix board of directors for 2012–13. She has served on the board since 2009, most recently as vice president. She was the chair of the 2009 Komen Phoenix Race for the Cure and was named the Komen Phoenix Affiliate Volunteer of the Year in 2007.

Bill Sailer has been elected as a fellow in the College of Labor & Employment Lawyers. His current role is senior vice president and legal counsel at Qualcomm Inc., where he has practiced for the last 15 years.

**1985**

Robert A. Boonin, a frequent speaker on labor and employment matters, was a featured speaker during the Society for Human Resource Management Annual Conference & Exhibition. This is the sixth consecutive year that he has been invited to present at this conference. He is an attorney and shareholder with Butzel Long in Ann Arbor, and his practice is concentrated in the areas of labor, discrimination, and education law.

Hans-Michael Giesen, LL.M., formed a new Berlin-based law firm, which will be known as Giesen Heidbrink, with Alfried Heidbrink in March. Both initially were partners for many years at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer and its legacy firms. His practice focuses on company law, transactions, and corporate notarial services.

Reed D. Rubinstein, former senior counsel and Regulatory Committee Executive at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, has joined Dinsmore’s Washington, D.C., office. He joins the firm as a partner in the Corporate Department, focusing his practice on regulatory and federal advocacy matters.
1988

Alison Kean Campbell was appointed general counsel of Metro in Portland, Oregon. Metro is the only regionally elected government in the country, responsible for region-wide growth, land use, parks, and transportation planning for the Portland area’s 25 cities and three counties. She and her husband, Bruce Campbell, ’88, live in Portland and have two children, Annie, a junior at Dartmouth, and Ben, a senior in high school.

Vince Hess, a partner in the Dallas office of international law firm Locke Lord, is coauthor of a chapter in the Third Edition of well-read legal treatise Business and Commercial Litigation in Federal Courts. He and a colleague coauthored a chapter on “Costs and Disbursements” in a reference volume that is considered the go-to source for commercial litigation.

Matt Hrebec, a shareholder in the Lansing, Michigan, office of Foster Swift Collins & Smith, P.C., was elected to serve on the firm’s Executive Committee as treasurer. His primary practice areas are corporate transactions, securities regulation, and employee benefits.

1989

William Bock III, a partner with Indianapolis-based Kroger, Gardis & Regas LLP, was a speaker at the U-M Law School’s Sports Law Society conference, “Going for the Gold,” a symposium about the legal issues surrounding the summer Olympics. He has substantial experience in athletic drug testing matters and sports eligibility disputes. He also serves as general counsel to the United States Anti-Doping Agency.

John “Jocko” Knappmann has been appointed to the executive staff of the Wayne County CEO to work in the area of governmental relations and special projects. He has worked for Wayne County, Michigan, in various capacities since his graduation from law school. He also is an adjunct lecturer for criminal justice courses with the Detroit campus of the University of Phoenix and recently was elected treasurer of the Wayne County Art Institute Authority Board.

Jeffrey A. Ott, a partner at the law firm Warner Norcross & Judd LLP in Grand Rapids, Michigan, has been appointed to a three-year term on the Albion College Board of Trustees. Albion College is an independent residential college in south-central Michigan. His practice is concentrated in securities and business law, with an emphasis on financial institutions.

Kiren Dosanjh Zucker was promoted to the rank of professor in the College of Business and Economics at California State University, Northridge. She teaches management and business law courses.

1990

James R. Rowader Jr. was named by the Association of Corporate Counsel as a 2012 ACC Value Champion. He is vice president and general counsel for employee and labor relations at Target Corporation. Additionally, he and fellow Michigan Law alum Theresa Harris, ’91, celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary on Labor Day 2012.

1992

Joseph Schmitt, a shareholder at Nilan Johnson Lewis in Minneapolis, was named by the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) as a 2012 ACC Value Champion. The judges commended him for handling employment and labor law work with a variety of fee arrangements that have generated predictability and savings.

1994

Otto Beatty III, co-owner of E.E. Ward Moving & Storage Co. LLC, was appointed to the Small Business Council of the Columbus (Ohio) Chamber of Commerce for a three-year term. The Small Business Council reinforces the chamber’s mission to better serve the small business community and the Columbus business environment. Additionally, E.E. Ward Moving & Storage Co. LLC, has been selected by the Better Business Bureau (BBB) Center for Character Ethics to receive the 2012 Torch Award for EthicalEnterprising. Beatty also was selected by Columbus Mayor Michael Coleman to represent the city at the White House Business Council and Business Forward forum.


Richard E. Golden has joined the law firm of Parker McCay P.A. as an associate. He joins the School Law Department and is based in the firm’s Lawrenceville, New Jersey, office. His practice is focused in the areas of school law and public sector labor/employment. Prior to joining Parker McCay, he was counsel to the superintendent of Camden Community Services in New Jersey for six years.

John H. Goselin II has joined Duane Morris as a partner in the firm’s Trial Practice Group in its Atlanta office. He joins Duane Morris from Cetera Financial Group, where he was chief litigation counsel. He focuses his practice in the area of financial services litigation. He represents broker-dealers and investment advisers on a range of matters.
Margo Wolf O’Donnell was honored by the Law Bulletin Publishing Company in its 2012 edition of the Women in Law: “Women Making an Impact” special supplement. She was recognized among 15 Chicagoland women attorneys for her “commitment to excellence in her legal work, along with her active leadership in the community.”

O’Donnell also was highlighted in Today’s Chicago Women magazine as one of Chicago’s “100 Women to Watch.” She is a shareholder at Vedder Price in Chicago in the firm’s Employment and Litigation practice groups.

1995

Brian L. Johnson has been named partner in the law firm of Dingeman, Dancer & Christopherson in Traverse City, Michigan. He has been with the firm for 10 years, practicing in the areas of estate planning, probate, general business practice, and real estate.

Frederick R. Juckniess joined Schiff Hardin as a partner in the Antitrust and Trade Regulation Group, and will work in the firm’s Sports Law Practice. Before joining Schiff Hardin, he was a principal at Miller Canfield in Ann Arbor.

Pablo Quiñones, formerly an assistant United States attorney in the Criminal Division of the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the Southern District of New York, is joining Reed Smith LLP’s Global Regulatory Enforcement Group as a partner in the New York office. As an assistant U.S. attorney for eight years, he was responsible for numerous grand jury investigations and prosecutions of major cases involving securities fraud, public corruption, narcoterrorism, money laundering, and RICO crimes. Prior to joining the U.S. Attorney’s Office in 2004, he represented businesses in complex commercial litigation at Anderson Kill & Olick, P.C., and served as an associate general counsel at AmeriChoice Health Services Inc., now a UnitedHealth Group company.

Armbrister, ‘82, Named President of Girard College

By Amy Wimmer Schwab

Clarence D. Armbrister was first introduced to Girard College in Philadelphia through his trusts and estates class at U-M, where law students learned about a 1968 Supreme Court ruling denying certiorari that opened the school to students of all races.

The decision, made 13 years after the court’s landmark Brown v. Board of Education ruling, found that public policy outweighed the will of the school’s benefactor, who had died in 1831 and left behind funding for a school to educate white male orphans ages 6 to 18.

Armbrister, ’82, who grew up in Miami and earned his undergraduate degree at the University of Pennsylvania, went on to build his career in Philadelphia—first as a lawyer at a private firm, then in public service as, among other positions, city treasurer of Philadelphia.

Armbrister’s latest stop in his diverse career has taken him to the helm of the Girard College, the private school he had studied as a law student. As an African American man, he now steers the institution that still relies on the funding left behind by a man who wanted his school to benefit only whites. “It is somewhat ironic,” Armbrister says, “that I sit in this seat.”

Armbrister began his career in the public finance department of Saul, Ewing, Remick & Saul (now Saul Ewing) after clerking for the firm between his 2L and 3L years. The job put him at an interesting intersection of political science and economics—his areas of study as an undergrad—because his firm represented the city of Philadelphia in the early 1990s, as it grappled with the possibility of bankruptcy.

He made partner in seven years but took a career detour after 12 years at the firm, when he left to serve as city treasurer under then Mayor Edward G. Rendell. In that position, he helped the city crawl back financially from the brink of bankruptcy, and Philadelphia returned to investment-grade status on Armbrister’s watch.

Armbrister never did return to the practice of law. He went on to hold such diverse positions as managing director of the Philadelphia School District; director of the public finance department at PaineWebber; executive vice president and chief operating officer at Temple University; and chief of staff for Philadelphia Mayor Michael A. Nutter. Before accepting his position at Girard, Armbrister was senior vice president and chief of staff to the president of Johns Hopkins University.

Now, at Girard, Armbrister will combine the incarnations of his career to lead a formidable boarding school in his beloved adopted hometown, Philadelphia. Today, the school’s mission is to provide full scholarships to students in grades 1 through 12 who have single parents and limited finances.

The bequest 19th-century merchant Stephen Girard left the school was, at the time, the largest private charitable gift in American history. And while Girard’s vision has expanded, the mission is the same.

“He was a consummate businessperson who had the foresight to see that young men in particular who did not have parents would need assistance in providing a high-quality education,” Armbrister says. “When you look at what this institution has produced in terms of leaders in business and commerce around the United States, it’s rather extraordinary.”
Christy, ’91: Reptile Writer

By Sandra Svoboda

A law degree can pave a career path through many places. The route for Bryan Christy, ’91, has snaked through a reptile-harvesting factory in southeast Asia, a Florida smuggling operation, and the exotic animal collection of a notorious narcotics dealer.

But Christy is not prosecuting or defending those involved. He’s chronicling them as a contributing writer at National Geographic and author of the book The Lizard King: The True Crimes and Passions of the World’s Greatest Reptile Smugglers (Twelve, 2008), which recently was optioned for a feature-length film. He keeps a blog at www.thelizardkingbook.com, where he opines about issues and events related to the animal trade.

With all of his works, his background in the law influences what he writes—and, just as important, what he doesn’t include.

“I write my stories as airtight as a legal brief, and that’s because I’m dealing with stories that sometimes become criminal cases,” Christy says.

In some instances, he ends up trying people in the court of public opinion. A recent article about Anson Wong, a Malaysian animal dealer, led to major governmental reforms there. In response, in part, to public outcry, Wong was prosecuted and sentenced to five years in prison.

“He was offering snow leopards and rhinoceros horns and pandas,” Christy says. “That’s a global criminal who recognizes there’s a great opportunity for profit.”

Christy, a native of New Jersey, chose Michigan Law for its international law program. He made the most of it, completing an internship in the U.S. Trade Representative’s office during his 3L year, publishing an article in the Michigan Journal of International Law, and following up with a Fulbright to Japan and a year at Tokyo University law school. His career trajectory took off.

He had gone to law school because he was afraid to be a writer, something he reminded himself of often during his intense law practice. “If something bad happened during the day in my law firm life, I’d say, well, I’m really a writer,” Christy says.

After his father fell ill, Christy admitted to himself and his father that writing was his real passion. So in 1995, he quit his young but promising law practice at Powell, Goldstein, Frazer & Murphy in Washington, D.C., and went broke trying to be a writer. He started with a novel, lost his house and car, and was five years unemployed. Then his uncle, a retired FBI undercover agent, showed up and urged him to follow the natural curiosity he’d had as a kid and to use the investigative ability he’d honed as a lawyer.

“That got me started in the nonfiction arena,” Christy says. “Part of me did love being a lawyer so I got to combine the two careers. Then things took off emotionally and stylistically.”

He also channeled lessons from law professors. “I can still hear Yale Kamisar yelling, which probably informs every sentence I write: Make it bigger, more significant, get the important things out, don’t bury them,” he says.

Christy looked toward what had been his childhood hobby, collecting small lizards and turtles and then snakes, which had brought him healthy attention on “show-and-tell” day at school. He found an adult world full of colorful personalities, exotic species, a criminal element, and an underfunded federal government operation trying to go after those who flouted international law.

The personalities made for intriguing plot lines for his book, which focuses on a second-generation Florida reptile dealer who was prosecuted, has served time, and is now reportedly clean. He also writes about the federal investigators who spend years trying to prosecute animal-related crimes, which are not always the top priority in legal circles, and who chased Wong around the globe as best they could.

While Lizard King focuses on the supply side of the reptile market equation, Christy says the demand side bears noting. “The customers are high-end collectors. They have money and interest. Often it’s a childhood interest that is rekindled, and they collect in sets: species sets or even subspecies sets,” Christy says. “So a guy will have an interest in tortoises and he will want every tortoise specific to, say, Madagascar, where the rarest tortoises are. They want bigger and rarer.”

The book reflects the moral lessons against criminal activity and the “harvesting” of rare species for pets. But it doesn’t make a blanket statement against all reptile collecting, and it recognizes that there is a spectrum of appropriate views on the issue.

“The unfortunate reality of our society, at least in the United States, is that kids have fewer and fewer opportunities to interact in a tactile way with nature, and reptiles are one of the few forms of wildlife that children and young people can pick up and touch,” Christy says. “That’s what got me started.”

The problems begin when collectors start wanting “the un-gettable,” as Christy describes it. “Those things are un-gettable because they’re difficult to find or because they’re illegal,” he says. “Unfortunately, with the people that have a passion for going out and finding these things under rotting logs, there is a subset of those people who can’t stop. They become adults who want to flip logs and those logs are customs law and regulations.”

Christy just completed a two-year global investigation into the illegal ivory trade. That story is out this month (October) on the cover of National Geographic.
Robert J. Wierenga joined Schiff Hardin as a partner in the Antitrust and Trade Regulation Group, and will work in the Ann Arbor office. He will also be integral to the firm’s Sports Law Practice. Before joining Schiff Hardin, he was a principal at Miller Canfield in Ann Arbor.

1996

Michelle Madden Dempsey has been awarded tenure and promoted to the rank of professor of law at Villanova University School of Law, where she teaches Criminal Law, Evidence, Jurisprudence, Feminist Legal Theory, and Sexuality and Law. She previously was a lecturer in law and tutorial fellow at the University of Oxford, England.

1997

Eric Hecker is a partner at Cuti Hecker Wang LLP, a firm that he cofounded in 2011. His practice focuses on civil rights litigation, including First Amendment, children’s rights, police misconduct, and election law issues. He currently represents the New York Senate Democrats in connection with an ongoing legislative redistricting process.

Kaethe Morris Hoffer, deputy executive and legal director of the Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation (CAASE), received the Chicago Foundation for Women’s 2012 Impact Award. The awards honor local attorneys and activists who have defended women’s rights in the courtroom, the capitol, and beyond. She is being recognized for advocating for the rights of survivors and working to eradicate sexual assault and prostitution. She leads CAASE’s legal program, the Sexual Assault Justice Project, which offers free legal representation to survivors of rape, sexual abuse, prostitution, and sex trafficking.

1999

Elliot M. Regenstein of EducationCounsel LLC gave a presentation, “Guam Early Childhood Summit,” at Guam’s Early Learning Summit in April. He worked on a strategic plan with the Early Learning Council, and then had a large meeting for the stakeholders and the governor.

2000

Chris McCleary has been hired to serve as general counsel for The Echo Nest, providing legal guidance and leadership in licensing and other corporate engagements. The Echo Nest is a music intelligence platform powering music applications across the web and devices. He has 12 years of experience representing big data, tech startups, and digital media companies, most recently as vice president of Business Development and Strategic Partnerships at Rovi Corporation.

2001

Damany F. Ransom has been elected a shareholder at Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, in the firm’s Atlanta office. He is a member of the Product Liability and Mass Tort Practice Group, and he defends product liability and toxic tort cases involving pharmaceutical products, medical devices, dietary supplements, chemical exposure, and premises liability. His practice also includes business litigation, in which he prosecutes and defends lawsuits involving breach of contract, fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and other business torts.

2002

Kimberly K. Kefalas joined Schiff Hardin as a partner in the Antitrust and Trade Regulation Group, and will work in the Ann Arbor office. She will also be integral to the firm’s Sports Law Practice. Before joining Schiff Hardin, she was a principal at Miller Canfield in Ann Arbor.

Hamid M. Khan has been appointed senior program officer at the Rule of Law Center of the United States Institute of Peace. He supervises rule of law efforts in Afghanistan, including facilitating academic study of the 2004 Constitution, study of customary justice practices and linkages, and evaluating international principles of transitional justice with classical and contemporary Islamic law. He also has been appointed professorial lecturer in law at the George Washington University Law School, teaching courses on Islamic Law.

David C. McKone has been elected to Nixon Peabody LLP’s partnership. His practice in Chicago focuses on litigating patent and other intellectual property disputes, primarily in federal court.

Katherine M. Rahill, a partner at Jenner & Block, has been selected as a recipient of the Chicago Foundation for Women’s 2012 Impact Award. She is being recognized for her leadership of Jenner & Block’s participation in the Circuit Court of Cook County Domestic Violence Division’s Order of Protection Pro Bono Representation Program. Through the program, which began in 2011, volunteer attorneys assist clients
Sonia Rolland authored a book, *Development at the WTO* (Oxford University Press), which offers perspectives to negotiators and litigators on how to use international law and how to reinterpret WTO agreements in a way that is more cognizant of the demands of developing country members. She is an associate professor at Northeastern University School of Law, and previously she was a visiting professor at the U-M Law School.

Jennifer D. Rupert has joined Frost Brown Todd as a senior associate in the Labor and Employment Practice Group. Her practice is concentrated in employment law, representing employers in both state and federal court in claims of age, gender, race, and disability discrimination, wrongful discharge, retaliation, sexual harassment, breach of contract, and defamation.

Emily J. Zelenock, a partner in Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP’s Intellectual Property and Technology Practice Group, recently authored a chapter in the book *Protecting Rights in International Business Transactions* (Aspatore Books). Her chapter, entitled “Understanding the Cultural Complexities of IP Issues in Cross-Border Deals,” discusses a variety of issues that businesses and attorneys may encounter when negotiating and entering into international business transactions involving intellectual property. Also, she was named co-chair of the Scholarship Committee for the Federal Circuit Bar Association.

Jeffrey Jones, of counsel with Barran Liebman LLP, has earned tenure as an associate professor of law at Lewis & Clark Law School. He joined the law school faculty in the fall 2007 and became an associate professor in 2010. He teaches Employment Law, a Disability Law Seminar, Jurisprudence & Property, and Legal Elements.

2003

Michael Groebe of Foley & Lardner LLP has been promoted to senior counsel. His practice focuses on advising employers in all aspects of employment law, including large-scale layoffs, and he has experience representing employers before state and federal courts and administrative agencies, such as the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and National Labor Relations Board. He is a member of the firm’s Labor & Employment Practice, the Automotive Industry Team, and the Trade Secret/Noncompete Specialty Practice.

2004

Emily Liu of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meaher & Flom LLP, was honored as one of the recipients of The Legal Aid Society of New York City’s 2011 Pro Bono Publico Award. The Honorable Jonathan Lippman, chief judge of the State of New York, presided over the ceremony in Manhattan and presented the awards to lawyers who have provided exceptional legal service to low-income New Yorkers. She was recognized for providing excellent representation to clients in The Legal Aid Society’s Harlem Community Law Office in a variety of litigated matters in the civil practice.

2007


Sonya S. Mays was named a vice president in Deutsche Bank’s Investment Banking Practice, based in New York City. She is focused on providing capital markets and M&A advisory services to the industrial and manufacturing sectors, with special emphases on construction and automotive companies. She joined Deutsche Bank in 2008 as an associate.
By Sandra Svoboda

When he left the news producer’s chair at the Detroit NBC affiliate for law school, Harry Mihas, ’02, thought his next career would be in criminal law. He got the law part right, but the criminal specialty took a few more years. And when it happened, one of his first cases drew headlines.

Mihas was on the team of defense attorneys that represented the Hutaree’s nine members arrested in March 2010 on federal charges of plotting to kill police officers by using illegal explosives and guns. Seven members of the Adrian, Michigan–based anti-government group went to trial in early 2012. In March a federal judge ended the trial before it ever reached the jury.

Judge Victoria Roberts ruled the government could not prove charges of seditious conspiracy and conspiracy to possess weapons of mass destruction. She dismissed the cases against five of the defendants, while two defendants eventually pled guilty to a weapons charge. As part of her ruling, Judge Roberts found the Hutaree’s anti-government rhetoric was First Amendment–protected speech.

“You go to law school dreaming of doing cases like that, but until you actually get one, it’s still a dream,” Mihas says. “The law is the law, but the art and technique of lawyers that you get exposed to in cases like this can really help you elevate your work and your expectations for yourself.”

Getting to that federal courtroom wasn’t Mihas’s first career goal. A native of River Rouge, the first suburb downriver from Detroit, he wanted a change after high school; he earned a bachelor’s degree in history and a master’s in civil rights history from Clemson University in 1992, then worked in television news for several years, including news producer at WDIV-TV 4 in Detroit. By 1999, he knew he needed a new profession.

“I looked at the guys who were 50 years old, who’d had two heart attacks, three divorces and were still working the same amount of hours,” he says. “There’s no light at the end of the tunnel in television, and you know you’re not going to change it because there are 2,000 other people willing to do the job.”

At Michigan Law, he got busy. Mihas was a student representative on the admissions and scholarship committee, a liaison for the Latino Law Student Association (“We didn’t have a Greek one,” he says), worked on the Journal of Law Reform, clerked at the Wayne County Prosecutor’s Office, and held a graduate student assistantship teaching writing in the art history department.

He was a law student on September 11, 2001, and remembers professors refusing to cancel class. “Professor [Yale] Kamisar told us that we were not going to cower to the people that brought the Twin Towers down. So we kept on going,” Mihas says.

After graduation, his first job was in the general counsel’s office at Detroit Public Schools. Then he landed four clerkships with federal judges in St. Louis and Detroit. The economic downturn of the last decade caused his layoff from a large Detroit firm, which he treated as a blessing.

“I was doing mostly commercial and business litigation. It was trial work, which I had some interest in, but at the end of the day, I was looking at it and thinking, ‘It’s just about money.’ I get more excited when it’s somebody’s rights or there is a victim to a crime as opposed to just money involved,” Mihas says.

He landed at the Oakland County Prosecutor’s office before striking out on his own as a criminal defense lawyer in 2011. At one of his federal clerkships, Mihas had met William Swor, a noted Detroit criminal defense attorney, who had said, “If you ever get into private practice, call me.” So Mihas did.

Swor was the court-appointed counsel for Hutaree leader David Stone Sr., and asked Mihas to be second chair.

Despite the highly publicized case reminding Mihas of his television news days, his work was legal. “Research, going through discovery, helping with motions, prepping for jury selection and cross examination,” he describes it. “The trial itself was exhausting. We were always on edge and had new deadlines. There was always a surprise,” he says.

He credits the defense team with much of the resulting not-guilty verdicts from trial but also asserts that the “agents in the field overreached” and that the government tried to inflate the danger the group potentially posed by painting them as terrorists rather than going after them for weapons charges.

“That seems to be one of the lessons learned in the Hutaree case,” he says. “In this day and age of terrorism and fearing terrorists, terrorism enforcement is about manufacturing a threat where there really isn’t one, not necessarily ending terrorism.”
2009

Emily E. Edsenga joined Goldberg Kohn as an associate in Commercial Finance in Chicago.

Katherine G. McKeon has joined Sacks, Glazier, Franklin, & Lodise LLP, a litigation boutique in Los Angeles, as an associate. She focuses her practice on trusts and estates litigation.

Gregory W. Lavigne Jr. joined Frost Brown Todd as an associate in the Cincinnati office in the Lending and Commercial Services Practice Group. He is experienced in taxable and tax-exempt financing, focusing on public finance, project finance, structured finance, economic development, securities law, and public debt federal and state tax matters.

2010

Kyle Recker joined Squire Sanders as an associate in the firm’s Columbus, Ohio, office. His practice focuses on real estate matters. Prior to joining Squire Sanders, he was a corporate lawyer for a manufacturer of life-sustaining medical devices, where he was responsible for handling matters related to contracts and commercial transactions, anti-kickback laws, FDA regulations, and other compliance and regulatory matters. He also managed many of the day-to-day operations of the legal affairs department.

2011

Aaron E. Bass has joined Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP as an associate in the Real Estate Department in the firm’s Detroit office. He will concentrate his practice on general real estate matters, including development, financing, restructuring, and leasing. Prior to joining Honigman, he was an attorney at Jaffe Raitt Heuer & Weiss, Southfield, Michigan.

Kemp, ’00: Lawyer, Sci-Fi Bestseller

By Andrew Clark

A self-proclaimed voracious reader, it always seemed like a question of “when” and not “if” Paul S. Kemp, ’00, would become a novelist. Before he started law school, Kemp would dabble in the craft, penning stories whenever he could.

But when it came to his 3L year, Kemp realized that he needed, for his own happiness, to pursue writing as a career—in addition to law. Fast-forward a decade, and Kemp has realized both of these dreams in a big way.

During the day, Kemp is the vice president and general counsel for CareTech Solutions, a Michigan-based company rooted in health-care IT services. When he’s not in the office, Kemp is working on his next novel. He’s published more than a dozen titles, including selections that have appeared on The New York Times bestseller list for hardcover fiction. His newest book, The Hammer and the Blade (Angry Robot, 2012), was released this past June.

“If you love something, then you can make time for it,” says Kemp, 43, who lives in Grosse Pointe with his wife and three children. “I have my family, my job, and then my writing career to juggle. With writing, I just find time to do it. Sometimes it’s during my lunch hour, or after my wife goes to sleep and I’m still up.”

Kemp’s novels fall within the fantasy and science-fiction genres. His latest book follows the journey of a pair of rogues whose ultimate goal is to kill a demon and then take his riches and retire—though that plan doesn’t come without its wrinkles.

A longtime participant in the Dungeons and Dragons role-playing game, Kemp grew up digesting science-fiction and fantasy novels—especially so-called sword and sorcery books.

Kemp says that being trained to think like a lawyer has been an asset to his ability to analyze details and deconstruct things as a writer. And unlike his job as a lawyer, there is no leaving the office at the end of the day.

“When you’re a writer, you are never off, even when you’re technically on vacation,” says Kemp. “There’s always a deadline looming somewhere. And the writing process differs. If I am writing a scene with lots of prose involved, sometimes it takes a lot longer. But if it’s an action scene, the words come fast and furious.”
## IN MEMORIAM

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