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As the time grows near for our departure, tradition imposes itself upon the final leg of our academic sojourn. It calls upon us to remember, reflect, philosophize, and to foresee the future, as we legal graduates face the uncertain world ahead. We have much to remember and reflect upon about our experiences at Hofstra Law School, as each of us can look back upon a personal triumph or defeat, viewing it as an overall struggle to achieve a common goal - professionalism. We too can look back upon those professors who have extended their talents to us (in their various forms), with fondness, as we have all been enriched by the knowledge we have gained. We can look back upon those acquaintances we have visited with, the friends of convenience we have made, and the lasting bonds of true friendship (whose continuance will be a source of comfort for years to come), feeling that the people we have met are important to each one of us in different ways. We should also remember our loved ones, i.e. the ones who we have always known, and those we have known only momentarily, but will always remember; thanking them for their guidance and steadfast support throughout our adventures, for without them, life would have seemed empty and unbearable.

When philosophizing, we can say that our experience here has been educationally relevant, rigorous, excruciating, exhausting, debilitating, mind boggling, productive, worthwhile, wonderful and unforgettable, and we would be accurate in all our descriptions. However, the questions we must grapple with are: What will the future hold? How will we use our professional responsibility in shaping it? Will we know how to reach the high levels of our trade, achieving the esteem and honor we all should value as important, or will we attempt to embrace the lure of lust and power that has destroyed many of our practicing brethren? Will we seek to turn our naivete into productive change that will benefit the lot of man, or will we continue to perpetuate that which stagnates society, and continues archaic methods that old traditions have mindlessly told us to follow? Will we think, feel and reflect about the guidance we give, or will we churn out advice because we are in that business?

The future is known and unknown for in our hands we hold the keys to turn those hidden locks; let us strive for that which is good, just and honorable, for things that will make us proud to wear the label of the professional; and let us strive for things that will make us feel the special glow of inner satisfaction earned through hard work, rigor and meaningful achievement.

We, the Class of 1977, bid the halls of Hofstra Law School farewell, as we remember it with fondness, thanking it for allowing us to cultivate the seeds of our personal and professional growth. Goodbye old friend - we will think of you often.

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