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IN MEMORY

Professor John Regan
1929 - 1995
As a representative of the student body, I now realize not only did I never envision myself in this position, but I never envisioned myself graduating from Hofstra as a lawyer. You see, three years ago, when I first came to Hofstra, becoming a lawyer was just a nebulous concept. I was unsure what it would mean to be a lawyer and I didn’t really know the difference between escrow and escarole. But now, three years later, here I am, both happy and proud to be a Hofstra graduate.

As I have been speaking with our classmates, it seems to be a common feeling that it is amazing that three years have gone by already. It seems like just the other day that we were unsuspecting and ungroomed First Years.

Three years ago, many of us feared going to Professor Gregory’s First Year Criminal Law Class. Now, three years later, well..., he’s not so bad.

Three years ago, many of us were sitting in our First Torts Class wondering what a tort was. The only person who seemed to know was my Danish mother -- she told me that a tort was a type of pastry. Now, three years later, some of us probably still might have a problem defining it.

Three years ago, we were sitting at our First Year orientation, looking around the room full of strangers, wondering who everybody was, what they were like, and how smart they were. Now, three years later, we have seen everyone through both their best and their worst times.

As a result of these past three intense, often difficult, but rewarding years, we share a common bond. We will carry this bond with us throughout our lives. Although this bond will be blanketed by our more recent experiences and concerns at times, it will not be forgotten by any of us, and it shouldn’t be.

During the past three years, I must admit I sometimes wondered if I was choosing the right profession and often had to get a grip and not freak out when thinking about my ever-mounting student loans. But now, I cannot adequately put into words the incredible feelings I have recently experienced:

Having graduated from Hofstra Law School, the wonderful relationships I have formed, and the most amazing feeling of all -- I am really a lawyer! ... Almost.

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“Who will pay $20 for Silverman? How about $15? $10? Come on folks, he comes with a hockey stick...”

A Giant among men!
Sound Familiar?

----------First Year----------

"Ummm, why do you want to know this? Were you born with this knowledge?"
Professor Champlin, Civil Procedure

"Counsellor, don’t you have a motion to make?"
Professor Walker, Torts

"That is to say you have a plaintiff in Kansas..."
Professor Diamond, Civil Procedure

"When I was on the New York State Commission of Commissioners...
Professor Lane, Lawmaking Institutions

"FFFFFFFFEEEEERRRRGGGGGOOOOONNNNNNGGGGG"
Professor Jacob, Property

"Murder is defined as the intentional killing of another human being, with spinach."
Professor Gregory, Criminal Law

"Can you do the dance?"
Professor Silverman, Property

----------Second Year----------

It’s gotta have schmoltz!"
Professor Kaynard, Labor Law
“Mr. O’Connor, another question?”
Professor Charlow, Constitutional Law

“Our next topic is hearsay. OK, who’s wearing blue today...”
Professor Kessler, Evidence

“Impact of milk restrictions on interstate commerce? Ummmm, how ‘bout a 84.”
Professor Leon Friedman, Constitutional Law

“OK, troops. Come on gang.”
Professor Eric Friedman, Pre-trial Litigation

“Mr. Scott, what do you think about the trilema?”
Professor Monroe Friedman, Ethics

---------Third Year---------

“I smell a paper. Do you smell a paper?”
Professor Silverman, State & Local Government

“Thus, the will is held invalid. I find this...troubling.”
Professor Gans, Wills trusts & Estates

“You mean the lawyer will communicate with the judge? Wow! Kum Bay Ya!”
Professor Schepard, New York Practice

“I’m troubled by this. Aren’t you troubled by this?”
Professor Gans, Federal Individual Income Tax

“March 2, Jones loan to Jones Shoe Corporation. March 4, bankruptcy. Talk to me.”
Professor Resnick, Debtor-Creditor
The Law Library

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The Hofstra National Trial Team has been both very active and very successful over the past year in trial competitions around the country.

In January, 1995, Kathleen Dillon was the only second year student selected to participate on a team of third years at the Texas Young Lawyers National Trial Competition in Syracuse, N.Y.

In April, 1995, four second year students, Wendi Barish, Alicia Gerez, Brian Manoff and Mary Beth Ott placed third out of sixteen teams at the Association of Trial Lawyers of America National Student trial advocacy competition in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Ms. Dillon, Ms. Gerez, Mr. Manoff and Ms. Ott competed in the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Cathy E. Bennett National Trial Competition in Las Vegas, Nevada in October, 1995. The team placed second overall, with Ms. Gerez taking the Best Advocate award for the Semi-Finals and with Ms. Ott receiving the award for Best Overall Advocate.

In February, 1996, two teams, a third year team and a second year team, traveled to Albany, N.Y. to compete in the Texas Young Lawyers National Trial competition. The third year team was comprised of Ms. Dillon, Ms. Gerez and Ms. Ott. The second year team was comprised of Brian Bender, Anne D'Elia and Melba Pearson. Ms. D'Elia received the award for the Best Advocate in the Quarter-Final round.

Three second year students, Celia Bacon, Yousef Rahimi and Robert Wechsler and one third year student, Randi Fensterer, competed in Providence, Rhode Island at the Association of Trial Lawyers of America National Trial Competition in March, 1996 and placed fourth out of sixteen teams.
Student Bar Association

Tim McGrath, Elaine Sammon, Britt Silver, Sanjay Rao, Maryann Turco, Anzelmo Graziosi, Mark Karpe, Simone Moore, Rob Barbarelli, Keith Barrett, Rachel Bovell.
Not Pictured: Christine Bagetakos, Liba Lasher-Groveman, Wendi Barish, Mike Duggan, Alex Sepulveda.

Yearbook Staff

Not Pictured: Mark Karpe, Jim Kiley.
Conscience

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Front Row: Greg Gilden, Scott Bayer, Sanjay Rao, Bill Roche.

Unemployment Action Center

Front Row: Deborah Cann, Andreea Langszner, Elizabeth Weiland, Eric Felsberg, Sabra Sasson, Gina Fonseca.

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Back Row: Tom McKevitt, Sergei Pereplyotchik, Mark Karpe, Christine Bagetakos.
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Front Row: Lauren Angelo, Tania Gordiosa, Stephanie Hecht, David Sasso.
Second Row: David Suna, Justin Holmes, Philip Kusnetz.
Back Row: David Kaplan, Jeremy Wolk, Jacob Silberstein.

Environmental Law Society

Top Row: Suzanne Behan, Gregory Gilden, Professor Ginsberg, Jeffrey McCready.
Bottom Row: Colleen Mullaney, Susan Christ, Gregory Berke, Joanna Balaskas.
California Ave. School Volunteers

Front Row: Colleen Mullaney, Suzanne Behan, Christine McNicholas, Tim McGrath.
Back Row: Ralph Healey, Ann Driscoll, Joseph Poe, Mary Jewels, Elaine Sammon, Catherine Carney.

Politics and Law Society

Second Row: David Olsen, Leah Terranova, Andrew McNeela, James Greenberg.
Back Row: Steven Pinzino, David Rubenstein, Anzelmo Graziosi.
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THANK-YOU NOTES FROM THE EDITOR:

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Thank you all!
Christine Bagetakos