

News in Brief @ Yale Law School

2007 Global Constitutionalism Seminar



FOR THE ELEVENTH TIME SINCE 1996, SOME OF the finest legal minds on the planet came to Yale Law School for a September seminar designed to broaden their already considerable intellectual horizons by allowing them to talk about important legal issues and share their experiences with each other in a strictly confidential setting.

The 2007 Global Constitutionalism Seminar at Yale Law School took place September 27 through 29. Attending were twenty of the top Supreme Court and constitutional court justices from around the world, including Stephen Breyer and Anthony Kennedy of the U.S. Supreme Court as well as justices from Germany, France, Italy, Colombia, Mexico, Chile, Canada, South Africa, and other countries. They were joined by about fifty Yale Law School faculty members.

David Boies Professor of Law Robert Post '77 is director of the Seminar, having taken the reins from Paul Gewirtz '70, Potter Stewart Professor of Constitutional Law, in 2006. The purpose of the Seminar is to promote international understanding of common issues of constitutional law.

“The justices don’t have much occasion to be together,” said Post, “and this Seminar allows them to roll up their sleeves and work alongside one another in an atmosphere of trust and collegiality. It helps them understand how practitioners in other legal systems deal with the same problems they are facing.”

“That people come from so far is a great gift to those of us in New Haven, who have traveled so little distance to learn so much,” said Arthur Liman Professor of Law Judith Resnik.

One of the Law School’s signature international programs, the Global Constitutionalism Seminar this year consisted of three full days of meetings centered on the theme, “The Design and Operation of Judicial Review.” Individual workshops explored such topics as:

- discrimination and accommodation—whether some groups should be treated differently in order to be equal;
- the influence of international and transnational institutions and treaties on national constitutional law;
- the design of judicial review and how different countries differently institutionalize the judicial enforcement of constitutional law;
- the constitutional right of dignity—what dignity means and how courts can locate authoritative sources for its interpretation and application;
- the phenomenon of judicial secrecy and the intrinsic connections between courts and publicity.

The 350-page Global Constitutionalism Book of Readings required almost six months to prepare by selected judges and Yale faculty, who each took responsibility

for a single session. Post supervised the overall process with the help of YLS students. The book was distributed to Seminar participants ahead of time to facilitate the discussion.

“The Seminar is an intellectual feast—a nourishing and delicious assortment of academic and judicial insights to digest,” said Justice Rosalie Abella of the Supreme Court of Canada.

“I always learn much that is valuable—both from the Yale faculty and the many fine judges I meet there,” said U.S. Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer.

Though the Seminar is restricted, for the most part, to the justices and Yale Law faculty, it does allow for participation by Yale Law School students at various points over the three days. The students had breakfast with the justices on Thursday and were invited to a panel discussion on reproductive rights led by Post and Nicholas deB. Katzenbach Professor of Law Reva Siegel ’86. Many also attended Justice Anthony Kennedy’s Anderson Lecture. On Friday afternoon, about 300 students got up close and personal with Justices Breyer and Kennedy at a Q&A sponsored by the Federalist Society and the American Constitution Society at Yale Law School.

“There’s a sort of mystique around Supreme Court justices for many law students, and the more that mystique can be replaced by actual firsthand experience, the better we’ll understand judicial decision-making,” said Claire McCusker ’09, vice president for events for the Federalist Society. “I don’t think it’s an exaggeration to say that we were all surprised by how very human the justices seemed.”

“Their demeanor gave the event a certain intimacy,” said Stephen Ruckman ’08, co-president of the American Constitution



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Society at Yale Law School. “We as students were not simply an audience from afar, but more like colleagues around a seminar table.”

That kind of comfort level was present throughout the entire Seminar and is key, says Post, to ensuring continuity of membership and a successful event. He noted that four of the justices—Stephen Breyer of the U.S., Aharon Barak of Israel, Dieter Grimm of Germany, and Frank Iacobucci of Canada—have come every year.

“For me the Global Constitutionalism Seminar is the most important conference of the year,” said Dieter Grimm of the Institute for Advanced Studies in Berlin and former Justice in the Constitutional Court of Germany. “The fact that a core group of justices has participated from the very beginning in 1996 creates an atmosphere of mutual trust and sympathy that distinguishes the discussions at this conference from many other non-recurring meetings.”

“It is clearly the best discussion on constitutional law I’ve ever been part of,” said Frank Iacobucci, former Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. “It combines the leadership of Yale Law School with the participation of judges from constitutional courts around the world, and the materials and discussions are superb. I wouldn’t miss one.”

Indiana Jones Production Films at Law School

THE YALE CAMPUS got a taste of show-biz last summer when a crew from Paramount Pictures arrived to shoot several scenes for the new Indiana Jones movie, directed by Steven Spielberg and starring Harrison Ford.

The fourth installment in the adventure series is set in 1957 and as a result, required several days of prep work to transform the streets and shops around Old Campus to the way they looked fifty years ago.

The moviemakers made a special stop at the Law School to film a “small but important” scene in a Dean’s office. Set dressers converted the Faculty Dining Room into that Dean’s office, replacing the existing furniture and portraits with pieces period to 1957. In the Dean’s Row Seminar Corridor, crew members painted the walls, replaced doors and changed the lighting fixtures.

Dean Harold Hongju Koh, who presented Steven Spielberg with a Yale Law



Associate Dean Mike Thompson worked with crew members from Paramount as they set up lights and transformed parts of the Sterling Law Building to look like a college campus circa 1957.

School baseball cap, said, “We are tickled that Steven Spielberg chose to film a ‘small but important’ scene of his classic series at our small but important law school. We suggested the title ‘Indiana Jones and the Temple of Legal Realism,’ but they doubted

that would grab the summer blockbuster crowd! Certainly, having them here made for a fun few summer days for the members of our community.”

Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull is scheduled to be released in May 2008.

Justice Kennedy Delivers 2007 Anderson Lecture

A PACKED AUDITORIUM of nearly 500 faculty and students gathered on September 27 to hear The Honorable Anthony M. Kennedy, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, deliver the 2007 Robert P. Anderson Memorial Lecture. Justice Kennedy, appointed to the Supreme Court in 1988 by President Reagan, spoke about “Constitutions: Structures and Rights” as part of the three-day Global Constitutionalism Seminar hosted by the Law School. First-year law student Marisa Van Saanen ’10, who spent the past four years working for the World Bank, shared some of her reflections on the talk. She said she was interested to hear Justice Kennedy’s thoughts on federalism and international law but took special note when his focus shifted to world poverty.

“He spoke of ... the challenges of women and poor people the world over, and the extent to which the poor and marginalized are outside of legal systems and constitutions, the very subject the judges were gathered at the law school to discuss,” Van Saanen said. She then continued, “...his words remain a challenge to me, and I believe to our community—how will our lives as lawyers help to make the world a better and more just place for the poor and marginalized among us?”



Yale Law School Enrolls in iTunes U

YALE LAW SCHOOL is now part of iTunes U, a portal on the iTunes Store website that allows institutions of higher education to get their audio and video content out to the public. Classroom lectures, presentations by invited guests, commencement speeches, performances, and other live events are among the many university offerings available on the site, which has previously focused on music, movie, and television content. Visitors to iTunes U may click on the Yale Law School icon and access such things as NYU Law Professor Jeremy Waldron’s lecture series on foreign law in American courts, Theodore Sorensen’s discussion of



JFK's foreign policy approach, and Carla Hills' talk on the Gerald Ford presidency. For instructions on how to access iTunes U, visit www.yale.edu/opa/podcast/.

New Wasserman Workshop in Law and Finance Debuts

THE YALE LAW School Center for the Study of Corporate Law inaugurated the Bert W. Wasserman Workshop in Law and Finance on November 19, with Professor Andrew Metrick of the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania speaking about the economics of private equity funds.

The Wasserman Workshop was established by Craig Wasserman '86 in memory of his father, Bert W. Wasserman, a distinguished leader in the field of finance. The workshop supports the study of corporate law and finance by bringing to the Law School faculty from Yale and other universities, to present current research.

Three additional Wasserman Workshops were scheduled for the academic year: Holger Mueller of New York University's Stern School of Business on December 5; Cindy Alexander, assistant chief economist at the SEC, on January 31; and Paul Mahoney '84, David and Mary Harrison Distinguished Professor of Law at the University of Virginia School of Law, on April 17.

The Center for the Study of Corporate Law continued its stimulating slate of activities with another alumni breakfast program in New York in November on proxy voting, with panelists Henry Hu '79, Allan Shivers Chair in the Law of Banking and Finance, University of Texas School of Law; Charles M. Nathan '65, Global Co-Chair of the Mergers & Acquisitions Group of Latham & Watkins, LLP; and Erik R. Sirri, Director of the SEC's Division of Market Regulation. Recent Center activities also included two career-related events cosponsored by the Law School's Career Development Office and The Yale Law & Business Society, a new student organization. The first event was a panel on November 14 entitled "What Do Corporate

Lawyers Do?" The second event was a talk on November 27 by Oscar M. Ruebhausen Professor of Law and Director of the Center, Roberta Romano '80, on "How to Craft a Career in Corporate Law: Foundations for Transaction Lawyering, Litigation, Business, and Academic Careers."

The Center also recently welcomed two new staff members: John Morley '06, the John R. Raben/Sullivan & Cromwell Executive Director; and Kris Kavanaugh, the Center Coordinator.

For more information on Center activities, visit the website at www.law.yale.edu/ccl.



Wharton Professor Andrew Metrick was the speaker for the inaugural Bert W. Wasserman Workshop in Law and Finance.

AWARD



Robert Todd Lang '47, chairman of the YLS Center for the Study of Corporate Law's Board of Advisors, was the recipient of the first Simeon E. Baldwin Award for Distinguished Service in Law and Business. The award was presented at the Advisory Board meeting on October 29. Lang, a senior partner of Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, was the driving force behind the creation of the Center, which was the first corporate law center to be established in the U.S.

The award is named after Simeon E. Baldwin, both a student and faculty member of the Law School, who was responsible for putting in place in the late 19th century the Law School's interdisciplinary tradition, which would prove to be the foundation for the school's future success. Baldwin was also the leading railroad lawyer of his day; governor and chief justice of the Supreme Court of Connecticut; and a founder and president of numerous professional associations, including the American Bar Association, American Association of Law Schools, and American Political Science Association.

Roberta Romano '80, Center director, said on the occasion, "Baldwin's career embodies what we wish to recognize and honor in the award recipient, and he would have recognized a kindred spirit in Todd Lang. Todd is not just one of the great corporate lawyers of his generation, but he has also worked tirelessly on every important bar committee and task force on corporate governance and securities regulation over the past several decades. As a consequence, the benefits of his wisdom have gone far beyond his clients; our laws are infinitely better for Todd's efforts. Todd has also been a steadfast friend of YLS who had both the vision to recognize the need for a corporate law center at the Law School when none existed in the country, and the generosity to get such a project off the ground. Students, faculty, and alumni in the law and business area have all been the beneficiaries of Todd's foresight and generosity, which has enriched students' educational experience and faculty research, and fostered interaction among students, faculty, and graduates. It is befitting that Todd is the first recipient of the Simeon Baldwin Award that the Corporate Law Center has established to recognize an individual's contribution to law and business."



Panelists discussed the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy in October. From left: Fredo Silva '08, Professor Robert Burt '64, Visiting Lecturer Eugene Fidell, and Ken Harbaugh '08.

'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' is Focus of Protest, Panel

A RECENT RULING IN *Burt v. Gates*, a suit brought by members of the Law School faculty in 2002, resulted in a return to the Career Development Office's annual Fall Interview Program by recruiters from the armed forces.

While the military has always been permitted to recruit students at the Law School, the recruiters have been denied access to some Career Development Office services because of the Law School's decades-old policy of requiring employers

to sign the School's nondiscrimination policy before participating in its off-campus recruitment program.

Since the spring of 2002, the Defense Department has interpreted the Solomon Amendment to require denial of federal funds to schools that withhold assistance from military recruiters. A group of Law School faculty filed suit in the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut challenging that interpretation, and the suit was decided in favor of the faculty. In September, the Second Circuit reversed this ruling, and Dean Harold Hongju Koh reinstated a faculty resolution giving him

permission to waive the requirement that the military sign the nondiscrimination form.

Recruiters for both the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy participated in interview sessions at FIP's off-campus location on October 1. On that day, students organized by OutLaws, the School's lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender student organization, staged a silent protest on the steps of the Law School, and then walked silently to the interview locations to protest the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. The organizers emphasized that the military was the only recruiter unable to



DEAN HAROLD HONGJU KOH congratulates Sterling Professor of Law and Political Science Bruce Ackerman '67, who was recently honored by Scribes: The American Society of Legal Writers for the best law book published in 2006. Ackerman was named co-winner of the Scribes Book Award for *Before the Next Attack: Preserving Civil Liberties in an Age of Terrorism* (Yale University Press).

sign the Law School's nondiscrimination policy, which forbids "discrimination based upon age, color, handicap or disability, ethnic or national origin, race, religion, religious creed, gender (including discrimination taking the form of sexual harassment), marital, parental or veteran status, sexual orientation, or the prejudice of clients."

Dean Koh noted in a statement that the twin principles of the right to academic freedom and to equal opportunity expressed in *Burt* were important ones, and that he continued to "look forward to the day when all members of our community will have an equal opportunity to serve in our nation's armed forces."

Dean Koh and the students also organized an informative panel on "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" with Visiting Lecturer Eugene Fidell, who lectures on military law at the Law School. Other participants included Professor Robert Burt '64, lead signatory on *Burt v. Gates*; Fredo Silva '08 of OutLaws; and Ken Harbaugh '08 of Yale Law Veterans. The panel was moderated by Craig Konnoth '10. Panelists discussed the ramifications of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy in today's military and the ways that students and faculty might engage the military and work with Congress to change DADT.

Fall Conferences Consider State of Play and Future of Energy

A PIONEERING GLOBAL CONFERENCE on virtual worlds, designed to enhance cross-cultural interaction and understanding, took place in Singapore in August. Organized by Yale Law School, Harvard Law School, New York Law School, Trinity University, and Nanyang Technological University in Singapore, "State of Play V: Building the Global Metaverse" invited experts across disciplines to discuss the future of cyberspace and the impact of new immersive, social online environments on education, law, politics, and society.

"We look forward to bringing a global perspective to issues of law and society in virtual worlds," said Eddan Katz, execu-

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Joey Hanzich '10 Remembered

In mid-September, Joey Hanzich, a first-year student, died from natural causes as he was beginning his time at YLS. Though Joey had only been a member of the YLS community for a short time, his quick intelligence and easy smile had already made him a strong presence at the Law School.

The Joey Hanzich '10 Fund at Yale Law School will serve as a lasting memorial to Joey's life of service, humanity, and compassion. The Fund will provide financial aid support to deserving and talented students who reflect Joey's commitment to public service and the common good. It may also be used to support activities related to healthcare law or other policy interests, which Joey so passionately pursued.

For more information, call the Development Office at 203 432-6080.



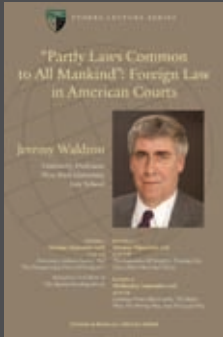
FACULTY TEA



Sidley Austin-Robert D. McLean '70 Visiting Professor Thomas W. Merrill spoke about his recent work at a faculty tea held September 24. The Sidley Austin-Robert D. McLean '70 Visiting Professorship was established in 2006 by gifts from the law firm of Sidley Austin LLP, and family and friends of the late Robert D. McLean '70 to honor his distinguished career in the law.

Thomas A. Cole, Partner and Chair of the Executive Committee, Sidley Austin LLP, introduced Professor Merrill after having earlier presented his own lecture entitled "Sarbanes-Oxley, a Five Year Retrospective." Mr. Cole's address was given as a part of the Corporate Governance Seminar taught by Sam Harris Professor of Corporate Law, Corporate Finance, and Securities Law Jonathan Macey '82 and Visiting Lecturer Harvey Pitt.

Visiting the Law School



Jeremy Waldron, University Professor at New York University School of Law, delivered the Storrs Lectures at Yale Law School September 10, 11, and 12. His presentation was titled, "Partly Laws Common To

All Mankind': Foreign Law In American Courts." Waldron discussed whether it's ever appropriate for American judges to be influenced in their decisions by what they know of the laws of other countries. He made reference to the old Roman Law principle that every society is governed partly by its own laws and partly by laws common to all mankind.

Douglas Yarn opened the Quinnipiac-Yale Dispute Resolution Workshop series on September 14 with a lecture titled "The Biology of Reconciliation." Yarn teaches alternative dispute resolution and professional responsibility at Georgia State University College of Law. Other lecturers in the series included New York University Law Professor **Geoffrey P. Miller**, who spoke October 15 on "Ex Ante Dispute Resolution Arrangements in Public Company Contracts"; **Richard Zeckhauser**, Professor of Political Economy at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government, who spoke November 13 about "Trust in On-Line Auctions"; and Ohio State University Law Professor **Ellen Deason**, who spoke November 30 on "A Framework for Comparison: Building a Taxonomy of ADR System Analysis and Design."

Michael A. Olivas delivered a Dean's Lecture on October 1 titled "'Colored Men' and 'Hombres Aqui': *Hernández v. Texas* and the Emergence of Mexican-American Lawyering." Olivas is the William B. Bates Distinguished Chair of Law and Director of the Institute of Higher Education Law & Governance at the University of Houston Law Center.



Veton Surroi

Also giving Dean's Lectures this fall were **Veton Surroi**, a member of the Kosovo Negotiating Team, who spoke October 3 on "Kosovo: In Pursuit of Independence"; **Ryozo Kato**,

Ambassador of Japan to the United States, who discussed "The Evolution of Japan's Involvement in the World Community Order" on October 11; and **Noëlle Lenoir**, Of Counsel at Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, Paris, whose October 30 lecture was titled "Is the New Europe Anticompetitive?"



Richard Mendelson gave a Dean's Special Seminar on "Wine Law in America" November 1 and 5. The first session covered "Temperance and Prohibition" and the second session, "The Wine Revolution."

Mendelson is an attorney with the law firm of Dickenson, Peatman & Fogarty in Napa, California, where he specializes in alcoholic beverage law and land use planning for wineries and vineyards.



Martha Nussbaum, Ernst Freund Distinguished Service Professor of Law and Ethics at the University of Chicago Law School, presented the Sherrill Lecture on December 3. Nussbaum's topic

was "The Real Clash of Civilizations: Democracy, Religious Violence, and the Case of India."

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tive director of the Information Society Project (ISP) at Yale Law School. The ISP, founded and directed by Knight Professor of Constitutional Law and the First Amendment Jack Balkin, has been studying this topic, as well as related issues of identity online, for several years in collaboration with top experts in the field as part of the Reputation Economies in Cyberspace project.

The Yale Law & Business Society, Yale Environmental Law Association, and Yale School of Management Energy Club hosted a conference titled “The Future of Energy” in November. The conference brought together business leaders, academics, and regulatory experts to discuss the policy, business, and regulatory outlook on the energy sector over the next twenty-five years.

“It’s an opportunity to discuss the extremely pressing topic of sustainable energy use with individuals capable of turning any consensus reached into reality,” said Ilya Podolyako ’09, president of The Yale Law & Business Society.

Among other issues, the conference examined the types of incentives the current regulatory regime creates for renewable energy sources and addressed the economic prospects of both traditional and alternative energy producers over the next twelve to eighteen years.

ISP Redesigns Website, Hosts Fall Programs

THE INFORMATION SOCIETY PROJECT has had a busy beginning to the 2007-08 academic year. In addition to redesigning its website, the program has been active with a lunch speaker series, a fall reading group, and a fall symposium. Speakers for the lunch series represent a range of research interests related to the information society, including ethics and technology, artificial agents, ubiquitous computing, user-generated content, history of intellectual property of living organisms, race and bioscience, South African telecom policy, human rights and authorship norms, Internet censorship, and informa-

tion ethics. Meanwhile, the program’s fall reading group focused on public policy implications of technological standards.

“Reputation Economies in Cyberspace” was the theme of the ISP’s December



IN SEPTEMBER, more than 1,000 people attended a rally organized by 24 Hours for Darfur, a video advocacy campaign dedicated to ending the conflict in Darfur and promoting peace and security for the people living there. The rally was held opposite United Nations headquarters in New York City on September 16, the Global Day for Darfur.

“The general response was overwhelming,” said rally organizer Benjamin Plener ’09. “The crowd found it powerful to watch videos from people around the world, all urging leaders to confront the crisis in Darfur...there was a strong sense of a shared commitment to this issue. One man got up on stage and announced that he would be enlisting in the Nigerian army to go serve with the

African Union peacekeepers in Darfur. He received a standing ovation.”

The rally also included speakers, including three members of the Darfuri diaspora.

24 Hours for Darfur was founded by a group of Yale University law, graduate, and undergraduate students as a video advocacy campaign aimed at using the Internet to mobilize people worldwide to end the genocide in Darfur. Their next project involves sending a team to Eastern Chad to represent and broadcast the views of Darfuri civilians on issues of peace and justice through both a population-based attitudinal survey and a video testimonial project. For more information, visit www.24hoursfordarfur.org.

2007 symposium. Representatives from industry, government, and academia met to discuss online individual and business reputation, community-mediated information production, and the implications for democracy and innovation. Panels included “Making Your Name Online,” “Privacy and Reputational Protection,” “Reputational Quality and Information Quality,” and “Ownership of Cyber-Reputation.”

For more information about the Information Society Project, visit <http://isp.law.yale.edu>.



Jacquie D. Bierman Professor of Taxation Anne L. Alstott '87

Considering Law Teaching?

YALE LAW SCHOOL OFFERS a variety of services to graduates who want to pursue entry-level law teaching positions. The Career Development Office has created a guide entitled “Entering the Law Teaching Market,” which is available to students and alumni on its website (www.law.yale.edu/cdo). In addition, CDO provides advice on the application and interview processes, reviews resumes, distributes a book of YLS law teaching candidate resumes (the YLS CV book) to all law schools, and hosts functions for faculty recruiters and YLS candidates at the Faculty Recruitment Conference, held by the Association of American Law Schools each fall.

Interested alumni should send an email to nikitia.tillman@yale.edu to receive password access to the online guide, as well as other useful information about faculty recruitment. Additional information is available on the CDO website at www.law.yale.edu/studentlife/cdolawteaching.asp and the AALS website www.aals.org under Faculty Recruitment Services.

Application materials should be submitted to the AALS in August of the year before the applicant wishes to begin

teaching. Alumni interested in resume review should contact CDO early in the summer; the deadline for submission for the YLS CV book is late July.

International Fellowships Support Teaching, Research in South Asia and Cairo

WITH THE SUPPORT OF the Oscar M. Ruebhausen Fund, the Law School has established a teaching and research fellowship for recent YLS graduates interested in teaching law and policy at a South Asian law or law-related school. Open to graduates in the classes of 2003–2008, the fellowship will support twelve months of teaching and research in South Asia. Up to two fellowships may be granted annually, with one of the fellows being supported for an additional six months at Yale Law School in order to complete research and to help coordinate South Asian-related events at the Law School.

A Cairo-based fellowship has recently received new funding that allows for more extended study with the University of Cairo and at YLS. The newly named Richard A. Bartlett '82 Fellowship at The American

University in Cairo and Yale Law School is open to YLS alumni, J.D. candidates in their final year, and LL.M. and J.S.D. candidates who plan to pursue an academic career. Fellows will spend one academic year in residence at The American University in Cairo teaching two to four substantive courses, and one semester at Yale Law School pursuing research and writing projects.

For more information about these and other fellowships, visit www.law.yale.edu/studentlife/cdolawteaching.asp.

YLS Community Releases Statement Regarding Rule of Law in Pakistan

IN EARLY NOVEMBER, Yale Law School Dean Harold Hongju Koh, Simeon E. Baldwin Professor of Law Peter Schuck, Oscar M. Ruebhausen Fellow in Law Jeff Redding, and other members of the Law School and legal communities released a statement denouncing General Pervez Musharraf’s assault on the rule of law in Pakistan. The statement read, in part, “By suspending the Constitution; dissolving the Supreme Court and the provincial High Courts and replacing them with judges of his own choosing; engaging in arbitrary and unprovoked arrests of thousands of opposition leaders, journalists, and other law-abiding citizens; and violently suppressing protests by hundreds of lawyers who were acting in

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the highest tradition of our profession, General Musharraf is trampling upon the very system of law that alone can justify a ruler’s power over his people. We stand in solidarity with our fellow lawyers and the democratic values that they represent, and

we urge an early restoration of legality and legitimate authority in Pakistan.” Hundreds of law school students, faculty members, deans, lawyers, and other members of the legal community from around the world added their names to the statement on the Law School’s website. To see the full statement and list of signatories, visit www.law.yale.edu/news.



In the beginning of September, members of the JD Class of 2010 and new graduate students traveled to Sleeping Giant Park where they took part in a “Hike with Harold.” Each fall, Dean Harold Hongju Koh hikes Sleeping Giant with new students, and each spring he hikes it again with graduating students. Dean Koh characterizes the hikes as “bookends” to the YLS experience—a time for the class to begin and end their journey together.

Fun Facts About The Class of 2010

- 189 J.D. students from 72 undergraduate institutions
- 25 LL.M. students
- 1 M.S.L. student
- 12 J.S.D. students
- 12 Transfer students

- 65 countries represented, including Bhutan, Bosnia, Burma, Cuba, Rwanda, and the United Arab Emirates

- 35 Masters degrees
- 14 Foreign fellowships
- 13 Ph.D.s

- 25 languages read or spoken, including Aramaic, Krio and Creole, Syriac, and Urdu

- 8 marathon runners
- 7 journalists
- 6 martial artists
- 3 Teach for America participants
- 1 poet and hip hop artist who performed with Kanye West
- 1 sculptor
- 1 cartoonist
- 1 competitive wrestler
- 1 nationally ranked tennis player
- 1 member of the U.S. national speed-skating team
- 1 stand-up comedian
- 1 professional actor
- 1 trapeze artist
- 1 classical choral singer
- 1 ballet dancer
- 1 belly dancer
- 1 movie reviewer
- 1 author of a book on breast cancer
- 1 Peace Corps volunteer
- 1 casket salesman
- 1 ordained priest
- 1 cryptanalyst
- 1 firefighter
- 1 organic farmer
- 1 cowgirl



For each student in the Class of 2010, twenty others applied for his or her place.