

# development news

## A Remarkable Bequest

### A Loyal Alumnus Remembers his Alma Mater

“LET ME SAY THAT YALE and Yale Law School loved Richard. And in his own generous and unobtrusive way, Richard loved Yale back,” said Harold Hongju Koh in remarks delivered at the February 2014 memorial service for Richard J. Urowsky '72.

Koh, Sterling Professor of International Law and former dean of Yale Law School, spoke for many who benefited from

Urowsky's friendship and guidance during his lifetime—including Yale University and the Law School.

A remarkable bequest from Urowsky will increase two existing endowments and create two more, supporting both faculty and student financial aid in Yale College and Yale Law School.

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#### ADDING TO A RECORD OF GIVING

In 2008, Urowsky created the Anne Urowsky Fund at Yale Law School, designated to support faculty in the area of commercial law. At first, the endowment supported professorial fellows—including lawyer and economist Ian

Ayres '86, bankruptcy expert Edward Janger, and intellectual property expert Barton Beebe '00. As Urowsky added to the fund, it enabled the school to host visiting professors Roderick Hills, Jr. '91 and Jon Michaels '03. Urowsky's bequest will now increase the fund to support a full-time faculty member.

At the memorial service, Koh explained Urowsky's decision to name the fund for his mother. “We discussed that the Law School had very few professorships named for women, at which point he said he would like to name it for his late mother, because he was both aware of and hopeful for the positive signal and impact such a professorship might have.”

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The bequest will also fund financial aid, adding to an existing scholarship fund in Yale College that Urowsky created in 2009 and creating a new one in the Law School.

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#### A SUCCESSFUL LIFE, A PROUD LEGACY

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## Supporting Student Research

JOHN H. STREICKER '67 VISITED the Law School in March to meet some of the students whose research has been supported by the Streicker Fund for Student Research. Since 1997, the fund has enabled students to conduct a range of original research and projects, with a preference given to international work that involves cross-cultural immersion.



On April 8, twenty-two Goldman Scholars joined Dean Robert Post '77 in a dinner honoring the legacy of Lillian Goldman, creator of the Lillian Goldman Perpetual Scholarship Fund. Dean Post and the Goldman Scholars were joined by members of the Goldman family, including Jane Goldman, Dr. Ben Lewis, Michael Lewis-Goldman, and Amy Goldman Fowler.

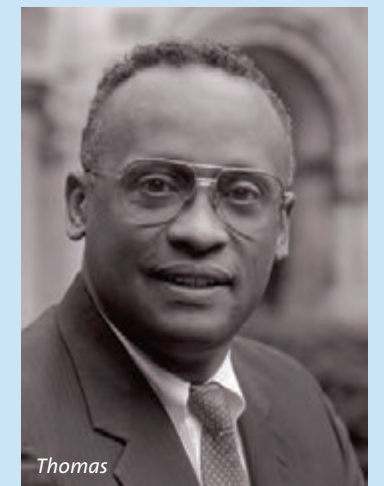


A generous gift from David A. '60 and Betty Jones created the James A. Thomas '64 Scholarship Fund.

## Yale Law School Announces the James Thomas Scholarship

IN FEBRUARY, Dean Robert C. Post '77 announced the establishment of the James A. Thomas '64 Scholarship Fund, which will offer assistance to Yale Law students with need. The scholarships were created by a gift from David A. Jones '60 and his wife Betty, who are among the Law School's most generous and committed supporters.

Thomas served Yale Law School for thirty-four years, most notably in his long tenure as associate dean for admissions. “The diversity that we now enjoy at this Law School,” said Post, “builds on Jim's innovative and courageous work.”



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