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LE MOT DU DOYEN

 @DeanLeckey



Your Faculty of Law is teeming with energy. Since the start of my deanship, we've welcomed five new professors. Two more are holding research fellowships and will join us in 2019. The elements of our curricular renewal are in their second or third iteration, improved by the generous (and occasionally bracing) feedback of our colleagues and students.

Nous sommes maintenant à la recherche d'un(e) professeur(e) en droit des affaires. Plusieurs diplômés et diplômées ont fait don d'une somme de 1,1 \$ million afin de permettre cette embauche pour un mandat de cinq ans. Ils se sont ralliés à ce projet parce qu'ils croient que l'approche distinctive de notre Faculté de droit en enseignement et en recherche a une contribution unique à apporter dans ce domaine. Nous visons par ailleurs l'établissement permanent d'une chaire en droit des affaires.

Our number of donors keeps rising steadily—from 771 in 2017 to 897 in 2018—but we must do better. Participation varies significantly across cohorts. Several classes from the 1960s exceed 40%, but many are under 20% and even 10%. Your degree or degrees from McGill opened doors for you, acting as a passport—as mine have for me. You received an Ivy League education at a fraction of the cost, giving you extraordinary value for money. I invite you to give back so that succeeding generations can benefit from a legal education among the best in the world. Planned giving may be a good option for you (see details on page 27). Remember that a stronger McGill Faculty of Law means a stronger brand for your degree.

Every dollar donated to the Faculty of Law makes a difference, be it by enhancing our students' learning or supporting our professors as they advance debates on critical issues in Montreal and around the globe. An experienced team of assistant deans and finance experts works with me to ensure we steward our scarce resources wisely. Our operating budget is approximately one-third that of our closest Canadian peer law faculty in international rankings, proof that we give a great return on investment.

En réponse à vos commentaires, nous dédierons désormais plus d'espace dans cette publication aux réalisations et à la générosité de notre communauté diplômée à l'égard de la Faculté.

Je suis heureux de constater que les liens au sein de cette communauté se resserrent dans nos marchés principaux. Vous avez été nombreux à assister aux coquetels annuels à Montréal, New York, Ottawa et Toronto, aux activités spéciales à Boston, Calgary et Hong Kong, aux événements organisés par notre Comité de jeunes diplômés, et au Banquet des retrouvailles. Dans sa nouvelle forme, le banquet est ouvert à toutes les promotions. La deuxième édition a eu lieu le samedi 13 octobre, avec Ken Dryden, LLB'73, OC, à titre d'invité spécial. Le banquet a connu un franc succès — près de 400 membres de la communauté diplômée y ont pris part ! Ceux qui ne vivent pas dans la région de Montréal ont apprécié que toutes les activités se déroulent en une seule journée.

Of course, there's lots of McGill Law news to celebrate between my visits and your trips back to Chancellor Day Hall. Connect with me on LinkedIn and follow us on social media to keep in touch: @LawMcGill and @DeanLeckey on Twitter and @LawMcGill on Instagram and Facebook. 🐦



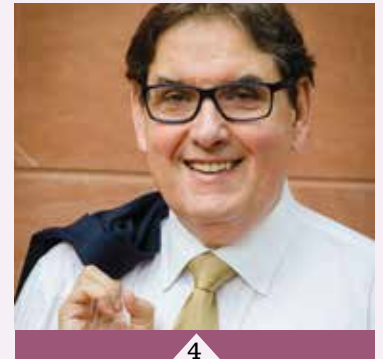
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NOUVELLES DE LA FACULTÉ

Ronald Niezen, Pearson Chair in Civil Society and Public Policy in the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Arts, was appointed as William Lyon Mackenzie King Chair of Canadian Studies at the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University for the 2018-2019 university year.

Vincent Forray a été nommé directeur du Centre Paul-André Crépeau de droit privé et comparé pour un mandat de deux ans, prenant les rênes de la directrice sortante, la professeure **Yaëll Emerich**.

François Crépeau, titulaire de la chaire Oppenheimer en droit international public, a été reconduit comme directeur du Centre sur les droits de la personne et le pluralisme juridique pour un nouveau mandat de deux ans. Il a par ailleurs été nommé Officier de l'Ordre du Canada en décembre et a reçu la Chaire International Francqui Professor en sciences humaines pour l'année 2017-2018.

Fabien Gélinas, titulaire de la chaire Sir William C. Macdonald, a été nommé Chercheur facultaire Norton Rose Fulbright en arbitrage et droit commercial pour une durée d'un an. Il se joint à sa collègue, la professeure Kun Fan, qui entame la deuxième année d'une nomination de trois ans. Ils pourront ainsi soutenir un vaste programme d'activités de recherche en droit commercial et en arbitrage international.

Armand de Mestral et **Fabien Gélinas** ont été nommés à la liste de membres dressée par le Canada pour les règlements de différends de l'ALÉNA, Chapitre 19 (Recours commerciaux), pour un mandat de dix ans, rejoignant **Andrea Bjorklund** qui fait partie de la liste de membres des États-Unis pour ce même chapitre de l'accord.

Nandini Ramanujam, executive director of the Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, was appointed co-chair of the Principal's Task Force on Respect and Inclusion in Campus Life at McGill University in December 2017. Her group handed their final report to Suzanne Principal Fortier in May 2018.

Last fall, **Stephen Smith (1)** visited several universities in New Zealand, and gave talks as the prestigious NZ Law Foundation Distinguished Fellow of 2017.

Yaëll Emerich (2) and **Robert Leckey** were named associate members of the prestigious International Academy of Comparative Law, and **Lionel Smith** was promoted to titular member. Furthermore, **Robert Leckey** was tapped to co-chair the McGill Working Group on Principles of Commemoration and Renaming.

Professor **Hoi Kong** has left McGill University to join the Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia, where he will be the inaugural incumbent of the Rt. Hon. Beverley McLachlin PC Professorship in Constitutional Law.

Après près de 18 ans à la Faculté de droit à titre de doyenne adjointe à la vie étudiante, puis de doyenne adjointe à la planification stratégique, **Véronique Bélanger (3)** a été promue au poste de chef de cabinet de la professeure Suzanne Fortier, Principale et vice-chancelière de McGill. Elle figurait au comité éditorial de la revue Focus depuis 2010.

Le bibliothécaire Wainwright et bibliothécaire en chef de la Bibliothèque de droit Nahum Gelber, **Daniel Boyer (4)**, a été nommé avocat émérite par le Barreau du Québec. 🇵🇪

MEET OUR NEW PROFESSORS

FIVE NEW PROFESSOR APPOINTMENTS WILL BRING US EXPERTISE IN INDIGENOUS CONSTITUTIONALISM, PRIVACY LAW, METIS LAW, HEALTH AND DISABILITY LAW, AND CRIMINAL LAW.

KERRY SLOAN

Assistant Professor (starting August 2019)

“As a citizen and former member of the governing council of the Metis Nation of Greater Victoria, I’ve seen Metis law in practice,” Kerry Sloan says. “However, I’ve also become aware of areas in which Metis law is no longer fully operating. It made me realize that revitalizing our law could strengthen our communities and the Metis nation as a whole.”

Through community-based collaborative research, Sloan aims to develop what she calls “MetCrit”—critical approaches to law tailored specifically to the concerns of Metis people. Her work also encompasses the history and functioning of Metis law, as well as the historical development of Indigenous law-state law interactions, and how these lead to intersecting legal identities and trans-systemic law. “The more I learn about Metis law, the more interesting it seems. Complex, multilingual and dynamic, it is more than simply a *bricolage* of Indigenous and European legal traditions,” she said.

After having spent one year at the Faculty as a Boulton Junior Fellow in 2017-2018, Sloan is completing an SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship at the University of Saskatchewan. She shared her excitement about getting to know her McGill colleagues better, continuing to improve her French, and listening to a lot of live jazz when she moves to Montreal in August 2019. “I also look forward to learning more about my Québec ancestors—Indigenous and non-Indigenous—and about the Mohawk, Metis, and urban Indigenous communities of greater Montreal.” 🐦



JONAS-SÉBASTIEN BEAUDRY

Professeur adjoint

Si elle paraît simple au premier regard, la notion d'« incapacité » se révèle aussi complexe et malléable que celle de race et de genre, selon Jonas-Sébastien Beaudry. Construction sociale pour certains, fait médical pour d'autres, sa signification même fait débat. « À travers ce riche concept, sociétés et chercheurs tentent d'articuler ce qui est "normal" et de déterminer nos devoirs à l'endroit des personnes de corps, de capacités et de besoins différents », explique-t-il.

Au moment d'entamer son doctorat, il a paru naturel à Jonas-Sébastien Beaudry de combiner ses deux passions : la philosophie et les droits de la personne. Pour montrer les présuppositions problématiques qui sous-tendent le concept de droit, il a choisi de s'intéresser à un groupe dont le statut de personne détentrice de droits à part entière a été historiquement contesté. Ses recherches s'intéressent aujourd'hui à la polysémie du concept d'incapacité, à la construction sociale des handicaps mentaux et physiques et aux composantes sociales de l'autonomie en relation avec l'aide médicale à mourir. « J'explore les défis conceptuels que les tribunaux, les législateurs et les chercheurs doivent relever pour remédier aux défaillances des lois et des politiques publiques concernant l'incapacité, par exemple le défaut de répondre convenablement aux besoins et aux vulnérabilités des personnes présentant un handicap et d'employer les bonnes façons de coopérer avec elles », résume-t-il.

Jonas-Sébastien Beaudry s'est joint à McGill à l'automne 2018 et partage son temps entre la Faculté de droit et l'Institut des politiques sociales et de la santé, une double affiliation propice à l'exploration de ses intérêts interdisciplinaires. Originaire de Montréal, il se réjouit d'être de retour dans la ville dont il aime la culture, le bilinguisme et le cosmopolitisme, après un beau début de carrière comme professeur à Vancouver.



IGNACIO COFONE

Assistant Professor

“Privacy is interesting behaviourally because people act differently about their personal information than they do about most things,” observes Ignacio Cofone, “and it’s interesting legally because it’s one of the few fields of law in which legal traditions diverge dramatically in solving the same problem.” Exploring how law regulates the flow of information and the social and economic consequences that stem from those regulatory choices, Cofone has zeroed in on privacy law. It is an area where the flow of information is most important, he explains—and one where there is ample room for effective advocacy. “The impact of privacy is increasingly important as new ways of communicating become prevalent and personal information continues to be the way to finance new products.”

Before joining McGill, Cofone was a research fellow at the NYU Information Law Institute, a resident fellow at the Yale Law School Information Society Project, and a legal adviser for the city of Buenos Aires. He started teaching at the Faculty in fall 2018. “In some ways, what I like about Montreal and what I like about McGill are very similar,” he said. “Montreal is deeply multicultural and marries two traditions without synthesizing them. It’s a city where overlapping layers of pluralism can coexist. I’m excited about learning about its different traditions, exploring its diversity, and getting to know its people.”



MUGAMBI JOUET

Boursier Boulton (2018-2019),
puis professeur adjoint (à partir d'août 2019)

« Une société se juge à l'état de ses prisons », nous confie Mugambi Jouet, citant la célèbre formule attribuée à Albert Camus. Après avoir obtenu son diplôme en droit de la Northwestern University, il a pratiqué pendant plusieurs années en tant qu'avocat de la défense pénale (*public defender*) pour les personnes indigentes à Manhattan. « La justice aux États-Unis est nettement plus répressive qu'au Canada et qu'en Europe, où les droits de la personne jouent un rôle plus important », souligne-t-il en décrivant ses expériences et ses recherches.

S'intéressant aujourd'hui au système pénal en tant que microcosme des valeurs d'une société et de sa conception de la démocratie, Mugambi Jouet combine des perspectives de droit, d'histoire et de sociologie pour étudier l'évolution des démocraties occidentales. Ses travaux portent notamment sur les normes relatives aux droits des prisonniers et sur l'abolition de la peine de mort. Il est aussi l'auteur d'un ouvrage intitulé *Exceptional America: What Divides Americans From the World and From Each Other*, qui compare les États-Unis au Canada, à l'Europe et au reste du monde. « Je mets notamment en lumière l'intensification de la polarisation de la société américaine et les facteurs ayant mené à l'élection de Donald Trump, » explique-t-il.

Né à Nairobi d'une mère française et d'un père kenyan, Mugambi Jouet a grandi à Paris avant de vivre aux États-Unis et plus brièvement à La Haye et à Mexico — un parcours qui a contribué à susciter son intérêt pour le droit et la politique comparés. Il se réjouit de s'établir dans un pays qui le fascine depuis longtemps, où il pourra satisfaire tant son amour de la culture que de la nature.



AARON MILLS

Assistant Professor

During his law school years, Aaron Mills experienced a profound sense of disappointment with how low he thought the Supreme Court of Canada had set the bar with its casting of reconciliation in the Aboriginal rights jurisprudence. “The Court was carefully safeguarding settler interests—even in how it defined Indigenous ones. I formed the view that this was not the sort of obstacle that lawyering, no matter how careful, brilliant or creative, could overcome,” he said.

Largely because of this realization, Mills turned to Anishinaabe elders to learn about their traditional system of law. “My first challenge was just to begin to understand how it worked, but I hoped also to learn whether, once empowered to grow again, it might do a better job of managing Indigenous-settler relations. I was enthralled by what I learned! I spent as much time as I could returning to my reserve and neighbouring First Nations. It's no hyperbole to state that my grandmother's teachings on these matters have transformed much of my life.”

His work on Anishinaabe constitutionalism has since been supported by several prestigious awards. “My research establishes the necessity of articulating any Indigenous system of law as a function of the Indigenous constitutional order that creates and sustains it,” he explains. “In countries like Canada, which are engaged in national Indigenous-settler reconciliation projects, this poses a serious problem. Indigenous constitutional orders aren't *merely* different from Canadian constitutionalism; they're different *in kind*.” Arguing that legal pluralism is inadequate to the task of reconciliation, Mills aims to reframe it as a question of constitutional dialogue.

Having moved to Montreal, he looks forward to collaborating with faculty members and students, hungry to engage with Indigenous and constitutional law, and in French-language scholarship, as well as watching his infant son flourish in a vibrant city that will afford him many opportunities.



ISABELLE MARCOUX, BCL'95 : LE DROIT ET LES AFFAIRES

DU PREMIER RANG DES SALLES DE CLASSE DU PAVILLON CHANCELLOR-DAY À LA TÊTE DU CONSEIL D'ADMINISTRATION DE TC TRANSCONTINENTAL, ISABELLE MARCOUX EST RESTÉE FIDÈLE À DES VALEURS FAMILIALES SOLIDEMENT ANCRÉES : TRAVAILLER FORT, DEMEURER AUTHENTIQUE, ET BÂTIR POUR LE LONG TERME.

/ par KARELL MICHAUD /

Quel type d'étudiante en droit étiez-vous ?

J'ai passé trois années fantastiques à la Faculté, je trouvais les études en droit très stimulantes intellectuellement. Nous formions une cohorte intéressée et engagée. J'étais une étudiante studieuse et sérieuse, probablement assise dans la première rangée à l'avant de la classe. Il y avait déjà quatre ans que j'étudiais à McGill pour mon baccalauréat en économie et sciences politiques, donc j'avais hâte d'entrer sur le marché du travail.

Vous avez commencé votre carrière comme avocate.

Comment s'est déroulée votre transition du monde juridique au monde des affaires ?

Mon expérience chez McCarthy Tétrault a été déterminante dans ma carrière. À l'époque, beaucoup d'entreprises faisaient leur premier appel public à l'épargne, donc nous offrions souvent des services en valeurs mobilières et en droit commercial. J'ai eu la chance d'être prise sous l'aile d'Hubert Lacroix, lui aussi diplômé de la Faculté. Il a été un mentor extraordinaire. Alors que j'étais jeune avocate, Hubert

m'invitait aux réunions avec les clients, ce qui m'a permis de développer un sens de la satisfaction-client qui était essentiel chez McCarthy Tétrault et qui m'a beaucoup servi chez Transcontinental. Hubert travaillait aussi très fort. Les semaines de sept jours et les soirées au bureau étaient fréquentes, mais je me souviens de cette époque comme très enrichissante, où nous avions du plaisir en travaillant.

Le moment charnière est arrivé quand je suis tombée enceinte de ma fille. Je trouvais difficile d'envisager de soutenir le rythme en cabinet avec un bébé, et je pensais que ce serait plus aisé chez Transcontinental (ça ne l'a pas été !). Ayant toujours nourri l'ambition de rejoindre l'entreprise familiale, le moment semblait donc opportun. La transition s'est faite tout en douceur parce que je suis arrivée chez Transcontinental à une époque où on faisait des dizaines d'acquisitions par année, ce que j'avais bien appris à faire chez McCarthy Tétrault. C'est l'époque où on a consolidé le secteur de l'imprimerie et développé notre secteur des médias.

Le Women's Executive Network vous a intronisée cette année au temple de la renommée des femmes les plus influentes au pays. Pouvez-vous nous parler des personnes qui ont été vos propres modèles ?

J'ai beaucoup travaillé avec mon père, qui avait un rôle central lors des acquisitions, car nous achetions souvent des imprimeries détenues par des entrepreneurs sans relève. Mon père est un bâtisseur et un homme de valeur. J'ai été exposée jeune à l'importance de créer de la richesse dans une perspective à long terme. Une autre personne qui m'a influencée plus tard dans ma carrière est Maureen Sabia, qui est présidente du conseil d'administration de Canadian Tire, une compagnie qui vaut des milliards de dollars. C'est une femme dont l'intégrité est irréprochable, mais qui a surtout une opinion sur une foule de sujets et des convictions solides qu'elle défend. Elle m'a inspirée à être à mon tour une présidente de CA qui a confiance en ses capacités.

Quel est le plus grand défi auquel vous avez eu à faire face pendant votre carrière ?

Concilier travail et famille. J'ai traversé une période difficile qui a exigé beaucoup de sacrifices ; je ne voyais à peu près plus mes amis, je ne faisais plus beaucoup de sport... 125% de mon temps allait à ma famille et à mon travail. Alors que les enfants vieillissent, la communication devient plus facile et plus fluide. Mais leur période de zéro à dix ans correspond à celle de trente à quarante ans où l'on croît dans sa carrière. Souvent, je rentrais à la maison le soir et continuais de travailler après que les enfants étaient couchés. J'ai eu le premier BlackBerry chez Transcontinental, et je pense que j'y suis la plus grande utilisatrice de technologie encore à ce jour. Il faut vraiment aimer son emploi, et vraiment vouloir des enfants pour continuer, mais il est possible de concilier tant bien que mal les deux. J'en vois les bénéfices aujourd'hui : à quarante ans, j'avais une carrière moins interrompue, et j'ai pu continuer de progresser. Ceci dit, j'admire tout autant les femmes qui décident de ne plus travailler et de s'occuper de leurs enfants à temps plein, parce que ce choix n'est pas facile non plus.

Quelle est la réussite dont vous êtes la plus fière ?

Avoir élevé mes deux enfants ! *[rires]* En ce qui concerne mon emploi, il a toujours été dans les plans de mon père de transmettre Transcontinental à la deuxième génération. Quand nous avons effectué la transition, l'entreprise œuvrait dans des secteurs sous pression (l'imprimerie et l'édition de magazines et de journaux). Nous sommes en train de réussir un virage important. Nous nous sommes désengagés de l'édition (sauf du journal *Les Affaires* et des manuels pédagogiques), et nous avons vraiment consolidé le secteur de l'imprimerie au Canada et pris une position de leader. Depuis quatre ans, nous effectuons des acquisitions dans le domaine de l'emballage. Ce repositionnement a demandé beaucoup d'énergie, de réflexion, de discussion avec le conseil d'administration et d'utilisation de mon influence, et j'en suis très fière. Cette année, je copréside aussi la campagne des grands donateurs de Centraide. C'est une grande source de fierté de pouvoir transmettre ma passion de réduire la pauvreté à Montréal et de bâtir un tissu social solide.

Quelle raison vous a motivée à vous impliquer dans le *Faculty Advisory Board (FAB)* de la Faculté de droit ?

Je n'avais pas mis les pieds à la Faculté depuis au moins vingt-cinq ans. Quand Greg David [président du FAB] m'a approchée, je lui ai dit que je n'avais pas le temps. Il m'a invitée à un petit déjeuner avec le doyen, et j'ai été très impressionnée par l'énergie de Robert et par son désir de faire avancer la Faculté. Je me suis ralliée à son ambition de créer une chaire en droit des affaires. Il me tient à cœur qu'on forme de grands avocats dans ce domaine à Montréal, comme cela a été le cas dans les générations précédentes. C'est essentiel pour l'entrepreneuriat au Québec — les avocats peuvent en effet être des partenaires extraordinaires pour les entreprises ! McGill devrait jouer ce rôle ; son écosystème, notamment en matière d'intelligence artificielle, pourrait faire en sorte que notre chaire soit la meilleure au Canada.

En ce moment, quel est votre mantra ?

Nous travaillons actuellement à intégrer les opérations d'une vingtaine d'usines, surtout aux États-Unis, mais aussi en Amérique latine, en Chine, en Angleterre... On sent beaucoup de pression et on est très nerveux. Donc ces temps-ci, je répète souvent cette phrase : « On n'opère pas à cœur ouvert, là ! » *[rires]* Les gens réalisent que personne ne va mourir, ça calme les émotions et relativise les problèmes. 🐼



**IL ME TIEN À COEUR QU'ON
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EN DROIT DES AFFAIRES
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QUÉBEC — LES AVOCATS PEUVENT
EN EFFET ÊTRE DES PARTENAIRES
EXTRAORDINAIRES POUR
LES ENTREPRISES ! »**



20 YEARS IN THE STACKS

/ by MENAKA RAPTI RATNAYAKE,
LLM CANDIDATE /

2018 MARKS A MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY FOR ONE OF MCGILL UNIVERSITY'S GREATEST TREASURES. FOCUS LAW TAKES A MOMENT TO REFLECT ON THE LEGACY OF THE NAHUM GELBER LAW LIBRARY AND ITS EVOLUTION IN MEETING THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS TODAY.



“OF THE NUMEROUS PROJECTS I HAVE UNDERTAKEN, THE MOST REWARDING BY FAR WAS THE MCGILL LAW LIBRARY. TWENTY YEARS LATER, I STILL RECALL THE MEETINGS WITH THE ARCHITECT, DAN HANGANU; WITH STEPHEN TOOPE, THEN DEAN OF LAW (TODAY VICE CHANCELLOR OF CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY IN THE U.K.); AND WITH THE HONOURABLE NICHOLAS KASIRER, WHO WAS ALSO DEAN OF LAW BEFORE BEING APPOINTED TO THE QUEBEC COURT OF APPEAL. HIS GRANDFATHER, HERMAN KASIRER, WAS A HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR, AND A VALUED CLIENT DURING MY YEARS AS A PRACTICING LAWYER. SUCH WAS THE TALENT THAT CREATED THIS THRIVING LAW LIBRARY.”

– NAHUM GELBER, QC, CM, BCL’57

BUILDING THE NAHUM GELBER LAW LIBRARY

“Breaking ground and building dreams” was the title beneath a photo on the cover of the 1997 Faculty of Law Fall Newsletter. In the photo, then Principal Bernard Shapiro, alumnus Nahum Gelber, BCL’57, and architect Dan Hanganu are holding a ribboned shovel, ready to break ground on the Gelber Law Library construction site. The vision was to create a 21st-century state-of-the-art learning environment for McGill University’s Faculty of Law—a much needed rescue from the faculty’s previous library, which was housed on the upper floors of New Chancellor Day Hall and was called stuffy, grim and overcrowded. Despite interruptions from the Ice Storm of 1998, the construction crew kept to a tight schedule, and the Nahum Gelber Law Library opened in time to mark the 150th anniversary of the Law Faculty.

Today, the Gelber Library is at the heart of McGill’s Law Faculty and stands as a focal point for student learning and research. The library features a world-class collection of statutes, law reports, books and journals, in addition to a wide array of online resources, publications and databases. It boasts such specialized rooms as the John P. Humphrey United Nations Collection and holds unique resources in Air and Space Law. Students are particularly drawn to the library’s moot rooms, its 24-hour access during exams and the supportive library staff.



The Faculty’s previous law library, which was housed on the upper floors of New Chancellor Day Hall, was called “stuffy, grim and overcrowded.”

20 YEARS OF MEMORIES

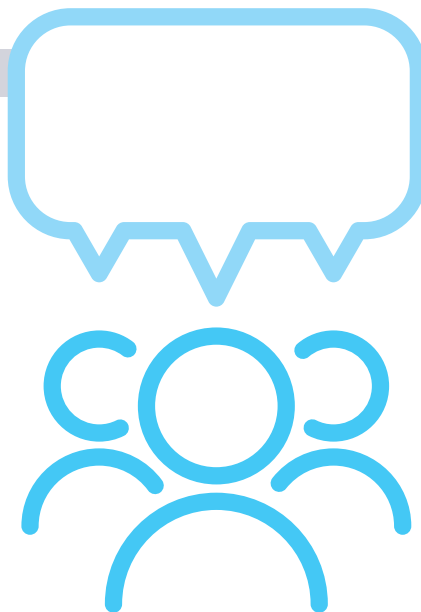
Daniel Boyer, who has been the Wainwright Librarian of the Gelber Law Library since 1998 and its Head Librarian since 2009, remarks that the library has undergone great changes: “It has had to adapt to McGill’s unique integrated law curriculum and respond to the needs of a growing body of graduate students.”

But how does a library manage to stay relevant in light of the digital revolution? Boyer responds that while its role has evolved, a clear student need persists and goes far beyond online resources.

“Even with our rich online database offerings, law students fill the floors of the library at all hours of the day,” he says. More than the sum of its resources, the Gelber Library is a hub for students to meet, work, and share ideas.

The Gelber Library has certainly exceeded expectations. Its foyer presents a variety of exhibitions and showcases publications from faculty members. Recently, the library honoured Professor Paul-André Crépeau and celebrated the 150th anniversary of Canadian Confederation. The current exhibition commemorates the 20-year journey of the Nahum Gelber Law Library.

If law libraries are the initial step to shaping future lawyers and legal systems, then the Nahum Gelber Law Library undeniably serves its purpose. It is through the extraordinary gift from Nahum Gelber and the philanthropic support of McGill alumni that the library has come to be one of the best in Canada. 🐦



Ateliers Focus Week : *intensifs, pratiques, enrichissants*

DE NOUVEAUX ATELIERS INTENSIFS PERMETTENT AUX MEMBRES DE LA COMMUNAUTÉ ÉTUDIANTE D'ENRICHIR LEURS COMPÉTENCES PRATIQUES, ET OFFRENT À NOS DIPLÔMÉS ET DIPLÔMÉES UNE NOUVELLE FAÇON DE S'IMPLIQUER À LA FACULTÉ.

« La formation juridique à McGill doit son excellence aux fondations solides qu'elle permet d'acquérir en principes du droit et en pensée critique », nous confie le doyen de la Faculté de droit Robert Leckey. « Cependant, alors que la pratique du droit se transforme rapidement dans divers milieux, il nous a paru impératif d'enrichir les options offertes à notre communauté étudiante de sujets qui ne sont pas couverts dans le cadre du cursus habituel. »

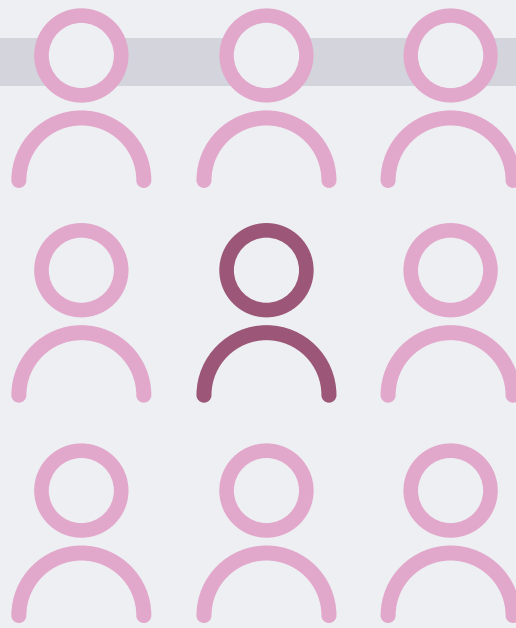
Lorsque la Faculté consultait sa communauté diplômée en prévision du renouvellement du programme BCL/LLB, il est rapidement ressorti que l'acquisition de compétences pratiques était vitale pour bien préparer les étudiants et étudiantes aux défis qui se dressent devant eux. À l'entrée en vigueur du programme renouvelé en 2016, l'horaire habituel étalé sur treize semaines de cours par session a été condensé en douze semaines. En première année, ce nouveau calendrier prévoit une semaine d'intégration au début de chaque session, consacrée à des cours d'introduction et à des ateliers en petits groupes. Pour les cohortes des années supérieures, il fait place à une *Focus Week*, dédiée à un riche programme d'ateliers optionnels.

« Les ateliers *Focus Week* sont l'occasion de s'initier à un nouveau domaine et de travailler en petits groupes avec un praticien du droit pour affiner ses compétences », explique Vrinda Narain, vice-doyenne à l'enseignement. D'une durée de deux à trois jours et comptant pour deux crédits, ces ateliers misent sur des jeux de rôle, des discussions actives et des exercices pratiques.

Les sujets lors de l'année inaugurale comptaient notamment le droit alimentaire, la médiation, la négociation et l'investigation informatique. L'année qui vient proposera plusieurs options issues du domaine des affaires, telles que *Anatomy of a Deal*, *Law and Technology and Applied Innovation* et *Build your Professional Success with Emotional Intelligence*, en plus d'ateliers sur les droits de la personne en Afrique, le droit de l'énergie et les changements climatiques.

La formule intensive présente l'avantage de permettre à un grand nombre de diplômés et diplômées de s'impliquer dans la vie de la Faculté. « Nos diplômés me disent souvent combien ils aiment partager leur expérience avec la relève, et leur perspective pratique est très précieuse pour nos étudiants. Cependant, tous ne peuvent pas se permettre d'assumer une charge de cours d'une session », souligne le doyen Leckey. En 2017-2018, c'est plus d'une trentaine de diplômés et diplômées qui ont pris part aux *Focus Weeks*. 🐦

La Faculté de droit tient à souligner le soutien accordé aux ateliers Focus Week par le Fonds McCarthy Tétrault pour l'innovation dans l'enseignement du droit.



Getting Down to Business

The Faculty of Law is hiring. Our appointments committee is tasked with the exciting challenge of recruiting an eminent expert in Business Law to join the Faculty. The holder of this new senior professorship will play a central role in defining and executing the Faculty's overall vision for teaching and research in business law.

This is the latest development in a series of initiatives that have enhanced how the Faculty equips its graduates for successful careers in today's corporate world and beyond. Through the newly introduced *Focus Weeks* (see facing page), students can develop hands-on skills in such areas as labour negotiation, private equity and corporate governance. Since 2017-18, they may complement their BCL/LLB studies with a minor in management, offered by McGill's renowned Desautels Faculty of Management. This year, the Faculty has also brought an *Accounting for Management* course to Chancellor Day Hall, offering students a convenient opportunity to acquire a skill many firm recruiters now consider a must-have: reading and understanding financial statements.

"As aspiring leaders, students see business law as an opportunity to shape and modernize a traditional field while working in a robust and challenging legal sector," the McGill Business Law Association (MBLA) team highlights. Each year, the student-led initiative collaborates with Montreal, Toronto and New York law firms to organize highly attended conferences, panel discussions, cocktails and lunches.

Some of the greatest names in Canada's business community hold law degrees from the Faculty—and the post we are filling this year results from their coming together to help foster the next generation of exceptional talent in their field. Beginning last December, several law alumni have rallied around a project of establishing a five-year Professorship in Business Law at McGill. In a matter of months, enough funds were secured to enable the Faculty to start soliciting applications. "I am thrilled by the enthusiasm with which alumni have collaborated towards establishing our five-year Professorship," says Dean Robert Leckey. "It allows us to have an immediate impact on our students' training and our research while we work towards the ambitious goal of establishing a permanent chair in business law."

"McGill Law has a distinctive approach to legal teaching and research and we are tremendously excited to see the outstanding contribution this will make to business law," concluded alumnus Marc Barbeau, BCL'84, LLB'84, a key supporter of the initiative and adjunct professor at the Faculty. 🐦

WHAT ARE PROFESSORSHIPS AND RESEARCH CHAIRS?

Professorships and chairs are prestigious merit-based appointments that highlight professors who have distinguished themselves in a specific field. These appointments offer recognition and usually provide additional research funds.



KENDRA ALEXIA HEFTI, BCL/LLB'16

MEET THE BLOCKCHAIN LAWYER

TIME MOVES FAST ON THE BLOCKCHAIN. A YEAR AND A HALF AGO, DELOITTE DID NOT HAVE A BLOCKCHAIN TAX PRACTICE IN CANADA. TODAY, A 30-PERSON TEAM LED BY KENDRA ALEXIA HEFTI (BCL/LLB'16) AND BY A PARTNER IN DELOITTE'S TAX PRACTICE CATERS TO THE BLOCKCHAIN NEEDS OF MORE THAN 40 ORGANIZATIONS—MOST OF WHICH DID NOT EXIST TWO YEARS AGO. FOCUS LAW INTERVIEWED HEFTI ABOUT THE SKYROCKETING CAREER THAT HAS RECENTLY EARNED HER A RISING STAR AWARD FROM MCGILL UNIVERSITY.

/ by KARELL MICHAUD /

Kendra Alexia Hefti is constantly on the move. Splitting her time between building Deloitte Canada's blockchain practice, international tax structuring for blockchain startups, and consulting with governments around the world on blockchain and cryptocurrency legislation, a standard workweek can take her across multiple time zones. Hard to believe that when she crossed the McGill stage at Convocation in May 2016, blockchain was barely on her radar.

Her initiation came a few months after she started working as an international tax lawyer at Deloitte, and was pulled in on a consulting project for a multinational mining company.

"A lot of the gold that we extract from the ground doesn't get used," Hefti explains. "Mining causes all sorts of environmental devastation, Indigenous land often gets destroyed, and public health is impacted, all for it to end up sitting in vaults." The mining company

had contracted Deloitte to help them develop the concept of "tokenizing" unmined gold. The idea was to attach a right to the gold that existed in the ground and enable people to acquire that asset through a "token," without ever extracting it. "That project blew my mind. It spoke to so many things that are important to me, and demonstrated how we can use technology to marry social, environmental and profit-making objectives," Hefti says.

After that project, you could find her at every blockchain meetup in Toronto. After months of collaboration with her peers in Deloitte's offices around the world, she began laying the foundation for what would become the Canadian blockchain tax practice. A firm partner renounced his portfolio of established multinational clients to back the project. "He saw the vision," Hefti says, "even though all of our clients were startups with little more than ground-breaking ideas."

Regulatory uncertainty around cryptocurrencies is one of the greatest challenges facing blockchain startups. When planning an Initial Coin Offering (or “ICO,” analogous to crowdfunding), guidance from tax and securities regulators is key.

“In the absence of guidelines, blockchain companies launched tokens, risking that regulators may find that their ICO had run afoul of securities legislation, possibly resulting in fines or even imprisonment,” Hefti says. “An ICO client’s greatest fear is ending up in prison.” In the past year, blockchain legislation has been making ground, with new laws often disrupting projects at the last minute—only for the country to change course a month later. In the midst of this governmental about-turn, emerging markets are taking the lead as more progressive environments for ICOs and blockchain technology. Social factors are also paving the way for faster technological adoption. Citizens of countries like Venezuela with highly volatile currencies are turning to cryptocurrencies as a more stable option. In Africa, “mobile money,” a payment service operated via a mobile device, has been around for over a decade as most people do not have a bank account. This makes the leap to a cryptocurrency much smaller than in credit-card reliant societies like Canada. In Argentina, a complex blockchain-based third-party arbitration system was invented to circumvent a corrupt court system where citizens were unable to get their grievances on the docket.

Blockchain startups often raise capital by way of an ICO. “I could issue an ‘Alexia Coin’ that people can buy with Bitcoin, and offer a discount to those using it to pay for my services,” Hefti explains. That coin would fall in the category of “utility tokens” in certain jurisdictions. Other categories would include asset-backed tokens (like tokens granting rights to unmined gold), and payment tokens like Bitcoin.

In preparation for the ICO, companies draft a white paper explaining their proposal, publish the “public key” of a wallet where users can transfer a cryptocurrency to acquire the token, code a smart contract for the token to be sent to the purchaser when they pay the set price, identify ICO advisers, and engage in a marketing push. In the first six months of her practice, Hefti’s startup clients each raised between \$15 million and \$50 million. Interest in blockchain and cryptocurrencies at Deloitte and globally exploded.



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When not at the office, Hefti dedicates her spare time to SavannahX, an African academy she co-founded. Hefti, her former McGill Law classmate Amanda Wurah, BCL/LLB’17, and several Ugandan blockchain enthusiasts are developing a curriculum and setting up the academy to train software developers in various blockchain languages. They aim to create a blockchain ecosystem in Africa and employment opportunities for young Africans. As one of the few women in the industry, Hefti is also committed to ensuring that 50 per cent of the SavannahX-trained developers are women, and that they receive mentorship and skills to provide them the same opportunities as their male peers.

Use cases for blockchain are emerging at an exponential speed. Hefti mentions an initiative underway by Shyft Network using blockchain technology to provide identities to refugees. In the Pacific Ocean, the WWF is using blockchain to stamp out illegal fishing and human rights abuses in the tuna industry. Agora is developing a blockchain to run free and fair elections globally. While many projects are still in their early stages and have yet to show the full range of their potential, Hefti only sees one way forward: “As the technology progresses, we will see blockchain as the second wave of the Internet. Where Internet is the store of information, blockchain is the store of value. Any value, from information to a building or a currency, can be stored on a blockchain. One day—for our kids, or maybe our kids’ kids—it will be as unthinkable to go to a meetup to learn about blockchain as it is to go to an Internet meetup today.” 🐦



Kendra Alexia Hefti is a regular at blockchain events all over the globe, where she shares her experience and expertise.

ACTUALITÉS ÉTUDIANTES

L'INTELLIGENCE ARTIFICIELLE SUR LE BANC DE LA COUR SUPRÊME

Quels seraient les mérites éthiques et théoriques de nommer une intelligence artificielle (IA) comme juge à la Cour suprême du Canada? Voilà l'audacieuse question que l'étudiante en droit Rachel Meland a explorée lors d'un atelier du symposium international sur l'intelligence artificielle 2017 de la *Japan Society of Artificial Intelligence*, tenu à l'Université de Tsubakura à Tokyo. Grâce à un *Schull Yang International Experience Award* et au soutien du Fonds des diplômés et diplômées pour la vie étudiante, la jeune universitaire a pu présenter le fruit de ses recherches lors de cette conférence multidisciplinaire internationale. « On comptait dans l'auditoire des sommités de

l'intelligence artificielle provenant de partout au monde qui dévouent leurs recherches aux applications de l'IA à la profession juridique », nous raconte-t-elle. Une occasion parfaite pour la future juriste de s'initier à la fine pointe de l'intelligence artificielle, de l'extraction d'information juridique dans les textes législatifs à l'annotation et l'analyse de documents juridiques. « Cette expérience m'a offert la chance exceptionnelle de présenter mes recherches, de tisser des liens avec des universitaires partout dans le monde et de découvrir une ville que je n'avais jamais visitée », conclut-elle. « Je suis extrêmement reconnaissante que des fonds offrent l'opportunité aux étudiants et étudiantes de participer à des conférences internationales. »



L'étudiante en droit Rachel Meland a argué qu'une intelligence artificielle nommée juge pourrait devenir une collaboratrice précieuse pour les autres juges de la Cour suprême du Canada lors d'un atelier de la *Japan Society of Artificial Intelligence*.



LLM candidate Ermanno Napolitano met former NASA administrator Charles Frank Bolden at the 2017 International Astronautical Congress.

CANADIAN SPACE AGENCY TAPS IASL STUDENT TO JOIN INTERNATIONAL DELEGATION

The International Astronautical Congress's (IAC) guest list reads like the Who's Who of the global space community. Leading scientists and space-agency delegates rub shoulders with policy-makers, astronauts, and private industry representatives. SpaceX founder Elon Musk is a regular. Imagine the excitement of Institute of Air & Space Law (IASL) Master's student Ermanno Napolitano when he learned that he was one of the 10 students nationwide—and only law student—tapped by the Canadian Space Agency (CSA) to take part in the 2017 edition of the IAC in Adelaide, Australia.

Napolitano's academic career took off at the conference. The CSA arranged meetings with the directors of NASA and of the Italian and Japanese space agencies. He acquired an international network of academic friends that has already yielded invitations to present his research in Japan and South Korea. His studies presented at the congress were widely appreciated, and earned him offers

of publication. His achievements are all the more remarkable knowing the arduous road Napolitano had to overcome to make his way to Australia.

A stellar student who has earned a Graduate Excellence Award and the Nicolas Mateesco Matte fellowship, Napolitano has always been motivated to give his best. But when health difficulties put hurdles in his academic path, he had to ask for help to be able to go on. "When I thanked the director of Student Aid for the support based on need, she told me to thank the donors without whom many students wouldn't be able to study at McGill," Napolitano said. "I realized the importance of these donors, most of whom wish to remain anonymous. The combination of need-based and merit-based awards helped me tremendously when I really needed it and provided me the motivation to work hard. I hope that one day I will be in the position to provide donations to the University to help students who may encounter unpredictable problems or who deserve to be rewarded for their dedication," he concluded.

SALLE COMBLE POUR LE DROIT AUTOCHTONE

Le 21 septembre 2017, la salle du tribunal-école Maxwell-Cohen était pleine à craquer, plus de 240 membres de la communauté de la Faculté s'entassant sur chaque siège, chaque marche, et jusqu'au fond de la salle. Un accueil qui a laissé stupéfait le professeur Hayden King de l'Université Carleton, venu à Montréal pour s'adresser à « une poignée d'étudiants en droit », croyait-il. « Avant l'événement, il m'avait confié qu'il était nerveux, quoique honoré, de partager la scène avec le professeur John Borrows*, une occasion inattendue étant donné que leurs cercles académiques ne se chevauchent habituellement pas », nous raconte André Moreau, membre du club organisateur de l'événement. « Nous avons été très choyés d'assister à une discussion ouverte sur les droits autochtones entre ces deux grands esprits anishinabés », poursuit-il. Rendue possible grâce au soutien du Fonds des diplômés et diplômées pour la vie étudiante et de l'Association des étudiantes et étudiants en droit, la conférence *From Principle to Implementation: Indigenous Rights, the Constitution, and UNDRIP in Canada* a compté parmi les nombreuses initiatives lancées ou soutenues par l'*Indigenous Law Association/ Association de droit autochtone (ILADA)* en 2017-2018.

Autre grand projet mis en œuvre : ILADA a conçu un blogue pour créer un espace de discussion sur les traditions juridiques autochtones. Les professeurs de droit John Borrows et Matthew L.M. Fletcher ainsi que l'activiste mohawk Ellen Gabriel y ont soumis une contribution sous le thème de *Law Through Language*, explorant les liens entre langues et lois autochtones. La première saison du blogue a reçu un accueil chaleureux tant à la Faculté que dans les cercles juridiques autochtones, nous raconte Laura Davis, rédactrice en chef du projet. « Notre rayonnement commence même à atteindre la côte Ouest! », souligne-t-elle fièrement. Le projet a attiré l'attention de nombreux juristes et linguistes, et une professeure de l'Université de l'Alberta prévoit en exiger la lecture lors d'un séminaire. 🐦

Pour explorer *Law Through Language*, rendez-vous à <https://bit.ly/ILADA-Blog>

*[n.d.l.r. Distinguished Tomlinson Visiting Professor à la Faculté en 2017-2018]

DES BOURSES QUI CHANGENT DES VIES

LES EFFORTS ET LA GÉNÉROSITÉ DE NOS DIPLÔMÉS ET DIPLÔMÉES AINSI QUE DE LEURS FAMILLES ONT PERMIS LA CRÉATION DE PLUSIEURS BOURSES. GRÂCE À LEUR SOUTIEN EXCEPTIONNEL, LA FACULTÉ PEUT D'AVANTAGE SOUTENIR LES RÊVES ET LES AMBITIONS DE SON CORPS ÉTUDIANT.



Nathan Schipper's brother Theodore Schipper, BCL'95, and mother Ethel Schipper, along with Dean Robert Leckey, Ricky Black, Michael Wolfe, and Neil Wechsler.

CLASS OF 1992 HONOURS LATE CLASSMATE'S MEMORY

The Class of 1992 made history on the occasion of their 25th graduation anniversary. To honour the memory of their classmate **Nathan Schipper**, BCL'92, LLB'92, who had passed away earlier in the year, they came together to make the greatest single class gift the Faculty had ever received. Class leads **Ricky Black**, BCL'91, **Michael Wolfe**, BCL'92, LLB'92, and **Neil Wechsler**, BCL'92, LLB'92, worked in close collaboration with the Schipper family to raise funds to create two awards in the name of their late friend. The **Nathan Schipper Scholarship** supports outstanding students entering the BCL/LLB program coming from a multidisciplinary background. In addition, a new award is available for BCL/LLB students who are pursuing an internship in Israel.

The latter enabled law student Zoë Freedman to spend 12 weeks in Tel Aviv this summer, working with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. She took on the entire case-load of asylum-seekers looking to relocate to Canada, and played a central role in liaising between UNHCR in Tel Aviv and Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada in Ottawa. "This internship was my first opportunity to marry my academic, legal knowledge with my interests in immigration and refugee issues in a proactive, tangible way," Freedman said. "Thanks to the Nathan Schipper Internship Award, I made lasting relationships, both professional and personal, opening many doors for my forthcoming legal career. I learned more than I ever could have while sitting in a classroom—about the law, the world and myself."



Esther Taranto Rosenberg and her grandson Ariel Deckelbaum

SCHOLARSHIP HONOURS WWII REFUGEE'S DREAM OF STUDYING LAW

Blood runs McGill red in the Deckelbaum family. Following the footsteps of their father, **Richard Deckelbaum**, BSc'63, MDCM'67, **Ariel Deckelbaum**, BA'93, BCL'98, LLB'98, and all three of his siblings earned McGill credentials of their own. But it is a family member who never got to sit on McGill's benches whom Ariel Deckelbaum had in mind when he made a donation to establish the **Esther Taranto Rosenberg Scholarship**.

Born in Bulgaria in 1924, Esther Taranto Rosenberg spent her childhood nurturing the dream of becoming a lawyer—but history got in the way. After starting her legal studies in Sofia and surviving WWII with members of Bulgaria's Jewish community, she fled her country when the Communists came to power, and settled in Israel. A gifted piano player, she started a new life by teaching music, eventually opening a music school that is active to this day. In honour of his 94-year-old grandmother's unfulfilled dream of becoming a lawyer, Ariel Deckelbaum established an entrance scholarship in her name, to be awarded to exceptional students with a background in music, or who have been displaced due to political, social or religious turmoil.

SUR LES TRACES DU PROFESSEUR DANIEL JUTRAS, ANCIEN DOYEN DE LA FACULTÉ

Lorsque le décanat du professeur Daniel Jutras s'est achevé, les diplômées et diplômés qui avaient été ses proches conseillers se sont unis pour souligner de façon durable sa contribution exceptionnelle à la Faculté. Les membres du Comité consultatif de la Faculté ont établi le *Daniel Jutras International Experience Award*. S'inspirant du parcours du professeur Jutras — qui, son baccalauréat en droit en main, avait pris la direction de l'Université Harvard pour obtenir une maîtrise — le prix Daniel Jutras sera remis à un finissant ou une finissante en droit qui souhaite poursuivre des études de cycle supérieur à l'étranger. Le généreux don du Comité consultatif a été doublé grâce aux *Schull Yang International Experience Awards*.

« Quand je suis parti étudier à Boston, j'avais 24 ans et je n'avais jamais encore quitté le Québec pour une période prolongée. Mes études à Harvard ont été un moment charnière dans ma vie, tant sur le plan personnel que sur le plan intellectuel. Ouf ! Le monde des idées, et le monde tout court, étaient beaucoup plus complexes que l'image que je m'en faisais auparavant ! Je n'aurais pas pu vivre cette riche expérience sans l'aide financière que j'avais reçue à l'époque. Je suis vraiment touché que le Comité consultatif, avec l'extraordinaire appui d'Anna Yang [BCL'88, LLB'88] et Joe Schull [BA'82, MA'85], ait si généreusement doté ce prix pour offrir une telle expérience à une étudiant ou une étudiante de notre Faculté », nous a confié l'ancien doyen Daniel Jutras. 🐾



Norman Steinberg, BCL'75, qui était président du Comité consultatif de la Faculté de droit en 2016, présente au doyen sortant Daniel Jutras le certificat attestant la création du prix en son honneur.

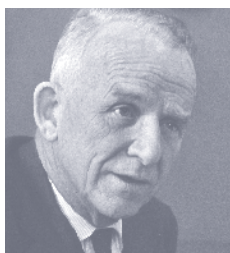


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TRAVAILLER POUR UN MONDE PLUS JUSTE, D'HIER À AUJOURD'HUI

UNE SÉRIE D'ACTIVITÉS ORGANISÉES PAR LE CENTRE SUR LES DROITS DE LA PERSONNE ET LE PLURALISME JURIDIQUE SOULIGNE LES 70 ANS DE LA DÉCLARATION UNIVERSELLE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME, ET AUTANT D'ANNÉES DE LEADERSHIP À LA FACULTÉ DANS LA LUTTE POUR CRÉER UN MONDE MEILLEUR.

/ par ANNICK POITRAS, ÉTUDIANTE AU BCL/LLB /



Après une carrière de 20 ans à l'Organisation des Nations Unies, John P. Humphrey a regagné son poste de professeur de droit à la Faculté, où il a enseigné pendant plus de 30 ans au total.

La « Magna Carta de l'humanité ». Voici comment M^{me} Eleanor Roosevelt qualifia l'ébauche de la Déclaration universelle des droits de l'homme, adoptée le 10 décembre 1948 par l'Assemblée générale des Nations unies, au lendemain de la Seconde Guerre mondiale.

« Considérant que la reconnaissance de la dignité inhérente à tous les membres de la famille humaine et de leurs droits égaux et inaliénables constitue le fondement de la liberté, de la justice et de la paix dans le monde », ce document, devenu un pilier du droit international, perpétue encore aujourd'hui un idéal commun à atteindre pour tous les peuples.

Par un clin d'œil du destin, l'Université McGill a joué un rôle clé dans son élaboration. C'est en effet l'avocat John P. Humphrey, alors professeur à la Faculté de droit, qui fut recruté en 1946 pour rédiger l'ébauche du plan directeur de 400 pages qui a servi de fondement à la Déclaration. « Il y aura paix sur la Terre quand les droits de tous seront respectés », croyait ce juriste qui œuvra ensuite pendant 20 ans à l'Organisation des Nations Unies avant de revenir enseigner le droit à McGill.

« Bien que l'humanité ait fait beaucoup de chemin depuis l'adoption de la Déclaration, notamment en ce qui a trait aux droits des femmes et des minorités, les droits et libertés fondamentales de quatre milliards de personnes sur Terre demeurent menacés, commente la professeure Nandini Ramanujam, directrice exécutive du Centre sur les droits de la personne et le pluralisme juridique.

Reconnaissant que les idées et la prise d'action concrète dans le monde sont indissociables, le Centre se veut une plateforme de partage de connaissances sur la recherche, l'élaboration de politiques et la prise d'action en matière de droits de la personne et de pluralisme juridique. Il favorise la recherche et l'innovation en regroupant sous son égide un vaste éventail d'acteurs en droits de la personne, et ses ressources permettent une étude critique des impacts du droit sur des enjeux d'actualité cruciaux.

Par exemple, puisque leurs impacts peuvent être dévastateurs, la montée des inégalités sociales et du populisme sont deux thèmes particulièrement pressants à l'heure actuelle. Les droits des migrants sont sur la table de travail des chercheurs, aux côtés d'un éventail d'autres questions dont la diversité montre l'universalité de la mission du Centre : droits des personnes handicapées, justice économique, discrimination, santé, enfants et conflits, etc. Le Centre et la Faculté de droit sont aussi très engagés dans le processus de réconciliation avec les peuples autochtones, un enjeu majeur en matière de respect des droits de la personne au Canada.

Depuis sa création en 2005, le Centre offre aux étudiants en droit des stages en droit de la personne aux quatre coins du globe, accueille des jeunes chercheurs invités, et organise des conférences prestigieuses. Ces événements permettent de rassembler une multitude d'acteurs engagés à protéger et à promouvoir la diversité dans les droits de la personne dans le monde. Cet automne, le juriste britannique Philippe Sands a exploré les origines du génocide et des crimes contre l'humanité. En novembre, l'Américain Philip Alston donnera la conférence annuelle John Humphrey.

Ces conférences, de même que l'ensemble des activités du Centre, visent à promouvoir le dialogue sur des défis pressants partout autour du globe. Dans ce domaine du droit en perpétuelle mouvance, de nombreux professeurs de la Faculté de droit sont des figures renommées sur la scène internationale, se distinguant tant par leur leadership intellectuel que leur implication dans la communauté.

« La relève est aussi vitale pour poursuivre notre travail dans les années à venir », ajoute Nandini Ramanujam, soulignant l'arrivée à la Faculté du jeune professeur Jonas-Sébastien Beaudry, spécialiste en droits des personnes handicapées, et l'importance des travaux effectués chaque année par de jeunes chercheurs, des étudiants en droit et des stagiaires.

« Les droits de la personne ne doivent pas être une tour d'ivoire, tout le monde doit travailler ensemble à leur protection », déclare-t-elle, avant de conclure en invoquant un précepte cher à Amartya Sen, philosophe indien et lauréat du prix Nobel d'économie : « Et bien que le monde ne sera probablement jamais parfait, c'est notre devoir de participer à l'éradication des formes d'injustice extrême dans le monde. » 🐦



La professeure Nandini Ramanujam, directrice exécutive du Centre sur les droits de la personne et le pluralisme juridique



BIEN QUE LE MONDE NE SERA PROBABLEMENT JAMAIS PARFAIT, C'EST NOTRE DEVOIR DE PARTICIPER À L'ÉRADICATION DES FORMES D'INJUSTICE EXTRÊME DANS LE MONDE. »



UNE COLLATION DES GRADES SOUS LE SIGNE DE LA JUSTICE SOCIALE

LORS DE LA COLLATION DES GRADES DE LA FACULTÉ DE DROIT, L'UNIVERSITÉ MCGILL A REMIS UN DOCTORAT HONORIFIQUE À LA JUGE À LA RETRAITE JUANITA WESTMORELAND-TRAORÉ POUR SOULIGNER SA CARRIÈRE DÉVOUÉE À LA JUSTICE SOCIALE ET AU SERVICE DE LA COLLECTIVITÉ.

/ par **LYSANNE LAROSE** /

L'honorable Juanita Westmoreland-Traoré est la première Afro-Canadienne à avoir été nommée juge dans l'histoire du Québec. Elle a aussi été la première doyenne afro-canadienne d'une faculté de droit au pays. En 2012, elle a pris sa retraite de la Cour du Québec, siégeant comme juge surnuméraire jusqu'en 2017.

In her address to the class of 2018, Justice Westmoreland-Traoré shared a guiding principle for her life: "If your message is clear, your purpose is defined, and if you hold fast to your principles, and work steadily toward your goal, you will succeed." She said that mantra, the experiences of her family as racialized immigrants, and her own struggle, have always made clear that "as a Canadian and a Quebecer and as a woman of African descent, my destiny was intertwined with the emancipation and equality of Afro-descendants both in Canada and abroad." She called upon the class to continue their activism and social justice work, quoting Mahatma Gandhi's simple and powerful words during his 1922 trial: "Non-cooperation with evil is as much a duty as is cooperation with good."

Valedictorian Susan Humphrey reflected on the privilege and burden of a legal education, and reminded her classmates that:

« Nous partageons la responsabilité de mettre nos compétences au service d'une cause extérieure à nous-mêmes. Whether it be mentoring the next generation of lawyers, taking on pro bono files, or offering our skills to the organizations that serve our communities and those who are the most vulnerable among us, each of us can do something. »

Le doyen Robert Leckey a conclu la cérémonie en soulignant lui aussi cette responsabilité qui incombe aux nouveaux juristes: "What have you learned by studying law? A dear friend of mine wrote to me, 'If law school taught us anything, it's this: write persuasively, speak persuasively, honour your voice and the spirit of those whose voices, for whatever reason, are silenced.'" 🐦

Our sincere congratulations to the Class of 2018.

Revivez la cérémonie : <https://youtu.be/QYQAWEE68d8>

Lisez le discours du doyen Robert Leckey :
<http://bit.ly/DeanSpeech2018>

Visionnez l'album photo : <http://bit.ly/LawConvocation2018>

CLASS ACT

From Day One, the entirely renovated classrooms on the ground floor of New Chancellor Day Hall proved their purpose, as they hosted the first Focus Week workshops.

Last fall, the energy was palpable as the students in the second year of the renewed curriculum entered their Legal Ethics and Professionalism Focus Week. Wheeling around tables to work in small groups, sitting face to face to simulate interactions with clients, and using the writable surfaces on the walls to hone their presentation skills, the cohort inaugurated the newly renovated John W. Durnford and Donald E. Meehan classrooms.

In 2017, the ground floor of Chancellor Day Hall underwent critical work to create learning spaces better suited to contemporary teaching methods. Out with the old lecture rooms with podiums and long rows of chairs anchored in concrete; the slope-style 1960s rooms were levelled and fitted with custom, movable furniture. The brown carpeting was stripped from the walls and replaced with sustainable bamboo panelling and several writing surfaces. The rooms were furnished with a modern audio-visual system and many electrical outlets to attend to the power needs of a laptop-wielding generation of students.

“The John W. Durnford and Donald E. Meehan classrooms have quickly proved how having the right physical space can enhance teamwork, problem-based learning, and skill building,” said the outgoing chair of the Faculty’s Space Committee, Professor Stephen Smith.

The project would not have seen the light of day if it were not for the generosity of the McGill Law community, including an outstanding class gift marking the 40th anniversary of the graduating classes of ’74, ’75 and ’76, who named a classroom in honour of former Dean John W. Durnford, as well as the generous donation of Donald Meehan, LLB’75. The John W. Durnford Classroom and the Donald E. Meehan Classroom (rooms NCDH 101 and 102, respectively), as well as the redesigned Roderick Macdonald Lobby were officially inaugurated in a ceremony during Homecoming 2018. 🐦

“IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ENHANCEMENT OF A CLASSROOM AT THE FACULTY OF LAW, MCGILL UNIVERSITY. I HAVE HAD A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY OF DEVELOPING FRIENDSHIPS THROUGH THE FACULTY THAT HAVE ENDURED OVER THE YEARS. I HAVE BEEN BLESSED TO HAVE A SUCCESSFUL AND REWARDING CAREER IN LAW AND, IN LARGE MEASURE, I FEEL THE FACULTY OF LAW HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR MY SUCCESS. I AM DELIGHTED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF PARTICIPATING IN THE CONTINUING ENHANCEMENT OF OUR VERY PRESTIGIOUS FACULTY OF LAW AT MCGILL UNIVERSITY.”

– DONALD MEEHAN, LLB’75



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT ON DONALD MEEHAN, LLB’75

In 1981, when partnership was clearly within his reach at the Toronto law firm where he had been practicing corporate law since graduating from McGill Law, Donald Meehan made a bold career move: he handed in his resignation. “My mom cried when I told her,” he recalls. Following his passion for hockey, he had decided to open a player agency, Newport Sports Management Inc. Instead of trying to sign players already active in the NHL, Meehan was able to get his venture off the ground by approaching the families of young talents before they were drafted by NHL teams. A couple of years in, he struck gold when he was hired by a gifted young centre shattering records, Pat LaFontaine, who would go on to be selected third overall at the 1983 NHL entry draft, and star in the 1984 Olympics. Fast-forward thirty years, Newport Sports Management today represents over 100 NHL players and has offices in six countries around the world. Still in the president’s seat, Donald Meehan is known as the most powerful player agent in the world of hockey. A renowned negotiator, he is a leading figure in the sports industry where more and more law graduates are leaving their marks.

You can also read our tribute to John W. Durnford (1929–2017) on page 38.

THE BCL/LLB PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

MCGILL'S GLOBALLY ORIENTED LEGAL EDUCATION PREPARES JURISTS FOR A RAPIDLY CHANGING WORLD. THROUGH OUR DISTINCTIVE TRANSNATIONAL APPROACH, GROUNDED IN CIVIL LAW AND COMMON LAW, STUDENTS LEARN TO THINK CRITICALLY AND TACKLE PROBLEMS THAT CROSS MULTIPLE BOUNDARIES.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Students have flexibility in shaping their time at the Faculty. Here is an example of a student's progression.



DURÉE DU PROGRAMME

Menant à l'obtention de **deux diplômes**, en **droit civil** et en **common law**, le programme a une durée de trois à quatre années, selon le cheminement individuel et les options choisies.

3 ANS

Cheminement accéléré
(charge de cours accrue
et cours d'été)

3.5 ANS

Cheminement
régulier

4 ANS

Cheminement avec options
complémentaires



LEGAL EDUCATION FOR A RAPIDLY CHANGING WORLD

- Students learn to solve legal problems in areas of **rapid change with no single right answer**—or with many.
- Intensive **Focus Week** workshops given by practicing professionals introduce students to current topics like Negotiation, Emotional Intelligence and Conflict Resolution.
- Modernized classrooms use **technology** to enhance participation and critical reflection.
- Extracurricular activities such as Innovation week feature topics like **Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, and Intellectual Property**.



A UNIQUE INTEGRATED APPROACH

McGill's program provides students a transnational understanding of law, not confined to specific jurisdictions or legal traditions.

Some core courses now combine **civil law, common law** and, increasingly, **Indigenous legal traditions**, as well as **international perspectives** and **multidisciplinary approaches**.

Example:

Criminal Justice Course = Civil Law + Common Law + Indigenous Legal Traditions + Criminology



UNE APPROCHE AXÉE SUR LA RÉOLUTION DE PROBLÈMES

- Les étudiants et étudiantes abordent **des questions d'éthique et de méthodologie juridique, de recherche empirique et d'analyse de politiques**.
- Les ateliers d'intégration et les ateliers *Focus Week* (p.10) offrent des **périodes d'enseignement intensif** afin de travailler sur des problèmes juridiques **en petits groupes**.
- Le cours renouvelé **d'éthique et de professionnalisme** est axé sur des scénarios, des jeux de rôle et des ateliers menés par des praticiens du droit.

COMPLEMENTARY AND ELECTIVE COURSES

Students complete courses in four required areas:

- Civil Law
- Common Law
- Social Diversity, Human Rights and Indigenous Law
- Administrative Law

They also take elective courses in multiple fields of law, sampling widely or going deeper into areas of special interest.

APPRENTISSAGE PAR L'EXPÉRIENCE

Les étudiants et étudiantes peuvent acquérir de l'expérience pratique au cours du programme BCL/LLB grâce à diverses activités d'apprentissage expérientiel.

En voici quelques exemples :

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| • Concours de plaidoirie | • Échange |
| • Auxiliaire juridique | • Revue de droit |
| • Clinique juridique | • Stages en droits de la personne |

TAKING THE BCL/LLB FURTHER

- + Minor in Arts, Science or Management
- + Honours option (Advanced Legal Research)
- + Major in Commercial Negotiation & Dispute Resolution or in International Human Rights & Development
- + Joint BCL/LLB-MBA
- + Joint BCL/LLB and Masters of Social Work



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BY LOCATION • BY INDUSTRY



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TORONTO ALUMNI AWARDS

ALUMNI COMMUNITY

TWO OUTSTANDING LAW ALUMNI WERE HONOURED AT A TORONTO ALUMNI AWARDS RECEPTION, HELD ON JANUARY 23 IN THOMSON REUTERS' OFFICE.

Anthony Morgan, BCL/LLB'12, was awarded the Charles D. Gonthier Outstanding Recent Graduate Award. Created by the Young Alumni Board in 2008, the award is named after the Honourable Charles Doherty Gonthier, CC, BCL'51, LL.D'90 (1928-2009), who generously supported and mentored young jurists throughout his career.



Dean Robert Leckey, Anthony Morgan, BCL/LLB'12, and Greg David, BCL/LLB'93, chair of the Faculty Advisory Board.

Stephen Halperin, BCL'75, LLB'78, received the F.R Scott Award for Distinguished Contribution to McGill and to the law. The award is named in honour of the Canadian poet, intellectual and constitutional expert who was Dean of the Faculty of Law from 1961 to 1964.

Our sincere thanks to all those who joined us in highlighting the accomplishments of these two great alumni, and to Thomson Reuters for generously hosting the event. 🐦



The Honourable Michael A. Meighen, QC, McGill Chancellor, Stephen Halperin, BCL'75, LLB'78, and Dean Robert Leckey.

A LOOK BACK AT #McGILL24

For McGill's third annual day of giving held on March 14, the McGill community came together to raise **\$1,878,453** from more than **4,500** donations, setting a new single-day fundraising record for Canadian universities.

Students, alumni, staff and professors of the Faculty let their McGill pride be heard loud and clear:

46% increase in number of donors

67% increase in young alumni donors (alumni who graduated in last 10 years)

43% increase in student donors

Cohortes ayant effectué le plus grand nombre de dons :

1. Promotion de **2020**
2. Promotion de **2016**
3. Promotion de **2014**

Key student and alumni initiatives around McGill24:

- Encourage mental health initiatives
- Help create a Corporate Law professorship
- Support scholarships and bursaries



Le professeur Sébastien Jodoin a affiché fièrement son support pour l'initiative étudiante Healthy Legal Minds / Ju(ri)stes en santé.



**SAVE
THE DATE!**

**#McGILL24
RETURNS ON
MARCH 13, 2019**

**"I SUPPORT MCGILL LAW
SO THAT WE CAN JOIN HANDS AND
TOGETHER BUILD A JUST AND
INCLUSIVE WORLD."**

**- PROFESSOR NANDINI RAMANUJAM,
ON MCGILL24.**



THE GIFT *of a* LIFETIME

Professor Stephen A. Scott, BCL'66, is a legend at the Faculty of Law. For scores of McGill students, he represented their first brush with Canadian constitutional law, a subject on which he is a passionate expert. For more than five decades, he has actively participated in public issues, particularly constitutional questions.

To McGill's lasting benefit, he chose to remain here during his entire career, teaching, conducting research, and having a profound impact on legions of law students.

"In my retirement from active teaching, I remain in residence as a Professor Emeritus at the Faculty of Law, whose teaching staff and students have afforded me most of my professional friends and colleagues," he says. Well known for his colourful and highly effective teaching style, he recalls with fondness the "zillions of fun exchanges" with his students.

Over the past 45 years, Professor Scott has supported the Faculty of Law and the Libraries with annual gifts. In 2006, he provided historic photographs and drawings for the Stephen Scott Seminar Room, a beautifully renovated space in Old Chancellor Day Hall named in his honour. He has also established the Scott-Rappaport Family Scholarship, in memory of his mother, father and stepfather. "I commend to all the establishment of scholarships, as a means of commemorating family, friends and others, from whom they would wish to make lasting gestures," he says.

After a lifetime of giving back to McGill in many ways, Professor Scott has now remembered the University in his estate plans. "The Faculty is better than it has ever been, and I hope through my legacies to continue to help building it after my lifetime."

"Professor Scott's extraordinary contributions to the Faculty of Law—as a teacher, scholar, colleague, and donor—inspire me and I hope that they will inspire others," said Dean Robert Leckey. "We are truly grateful." 🐾



A passionate expert in Canadian constitutional law, Professor Scott has marked generations of students, and he continues to help change student lives.

ABOUT PLANNED GIVING

A planned gift, such as a bequest, is charitable donation that you arrange to become available to the University at a future time. Along with bequests, other options offer you financial benefits while allowing you to achieve your philanthropic goals and have a significant impact (e.g. charitable-gift annuity, life insurance, retirement plan assets, charitable remainder trusts, and IRA charitable rollover).

The University Advancement team in the Faculty of Law would be pleased to discuss planned giving with you.

Please contact alumnioffice.law@mcgill.ca.

ANNUAL GIVING BY LAW ALUMNI

Through the lifelong generosity of its alumni, the Faculty of Law continues to excel in legal teaching and research.

Thank you!

YEAR	PARTICIPATION RATE (5-YEAR AVERAGE) ¹	PARTICIPATION RATE (2018) ¹	LIFETIME GIVING ²
1950	55%	50%	\$ 241,261
1951	18%	9%	\$ 3,430,709
1952	21%	27%	\$ 1,373,299
1953	24%	28%	\$ 475,478
1954	37%	23%	\$ 921,839
1955	30%	25%	\$ 125,289
1956	37%	39%	\$ 334,427
1957	35%	29%	\$ 5,239,157
1958	26%	28%	\$ 737,853
1959	27%	19%	\$ 611,936
1960	13%	10%	\$ 370,144
1961	18%	23%	\$ 277,378
1962	38%	40%	\$ 301,461
1963	34%	30%	\$ 892,813
1964	35%	26%	\$ 1,427,875
1965	24%	17%	\$ 4,122,055
1966	34%	29%	\$ 1,589,961
1967	19%	32%	\$ 2,164,755
1968	25%	27%	\$ 485,946
1969	24%	22%	\$ 282,835
1970	13%	10%	\$ 262,855
1971	23%	25%	\$ 1,036,770
1972	25%	24%	\$ 1,128,911
1973	15%	14%	\$ 589,709
1974	11%	11%	\$ 896,010
1975	16%	16%	\$ 1,735,604
1976	12%	13%	\$ 2,406,597
1977	17%	13%	\$ 3,413,031
1978	16%	12%	\$ 784,053
1979	13%	14%	\$ 797,220
1980	14%	16%	\$ 879,879
1981	13%	14%	\$ 455,986
1982	14%	12%	\$ 1,065,877
1983	17%	18%	\$ 250,428
1984	13%	11%	\$ 358,652

YEAR	PARTICIPATION RATE (5-YEAR AVERAGE) ¹	PARTICIPATION RATE (2018) ¹	LIFETIME GIVING ²
1985	14%	11%	\$ 1,147,294
1986	13%	14%	\$ 453,161
1987	14%	17%	\$ 3,404,035
1988	13%	16%	\$ 603,456
1989	14%	9%	\$ 264,922
1990	13%	12%	\$ 729,759
1991	18%	11%	\$ 726,235
1992	12%	18%	\$ 463,789
1993	12%	13%	\$ 996,284
1994	9%	12%	\$ 154,442
1995	8%	7%	\$ 673,159
1996	6%	4%	\$ 482,127
1997	11%	15%	\$ 731,215
1998	9%	9%	\$ 344,492
1999	12%	10%	\$ 149,122
2000	5%	6%	\$ 190,575
2001	10%	11%	\$ 184,267
2002	8%	7%	\$ 128,674
2003	4%	4%	\$ 162,095
2004	5%	5%	\$ 131,169
2005	7%	8%	\$ 143,427
2006	6%	7%	\$ 73,765
2007	6%	9%	\$ 42,143
2008	8%	8%	\$ 39,711
2009	6%	9%	\$ 41,825
2010	6%	7%	\$ 23,822
2011	6%	7%	\$ 28,874
2012	3%	4%	\$ 8,741
2013	4%	7%	\$ 7,183
2014	4%	6%	\$ 7,234
2015	4%	9%	\$ 3,683
2016	3%	6%	\$ 3,188
2017	3%	5%	\$ 1,101
2018	4%	9%	\$ 1,250

METHODOLOGY

- 1) The participation rate only represents giving to the Annual Fund—special/major gifts are not included.
- 2) Data only represent giving from individuals who are alive and for whom we have address information.

Participation rates and lifetime giving are updated at the end of each financial year.
Last update: April 30, 2018.



EN 2017, LA FACULTÉ DE DROIT A RÉINVENTÉ LA FORMULE DE SES RETROUVAILLES ET RASSEMBLÉ LA COMMUNAUTÉ DIPLÔMÉE EN DROIT DE L'UNIVERSITÉ MCGILL SOUS UN MÊME TOIT POUR UN GRAND BANQUET.

BANQUET DES RETROUVAILLES

De gauche à droite, debout :

Clive V. Allen, BCL'59,
Robert Godin, BCL'62,
Stephen Cheasley, BCL'62,
l'hon. David Angus, BCL'62.

Assis : Manuel Shacter, BCL'47,
Jodi Lazarus;
Morden "Cookie" Lazarus, BCL'65,
l'hon. Morris Fish, CC, BCL'62.



Tania Tretiak, BCL'97, LLB'97, et Ted Claxton, BCL'82.



Lyanne Winikoff, BCL'97, LLB'97, Philipp Duffy, BCL'97, LLB'97,
Niru Kumar BCL'97, LLB'97, Selin Bastin, BCL'97, LLB'97.

L'hon. Morris Fish, CC, BCL'62,
et Manuel Shacter, BCL'47.



Melanie de Souza, BCL'97, LLB'97,
et Lara Speirs, BCL'97, LLB'97.



De gauche à droite, debout : Cameron Fiske, BCL/LLB'07, Slava Sinigerska, BCL/LLB'07, Delia Cristea, BCL/LLB'06,
Marianna Ferraro, BCL/LLB'07, Marc-André Séguin, BCL/LLB'07, Marya Sawaf, BCL/LLB'12, Ioana Luca, BCL/LLB'07,
Joseph Reynaud, BCL/LLB'07, John Ramsay, BCL/LLB'07, Catherine Lambert, BCL/LLB'07.
Assis : Andrés Drew, BCL/LLB'07, Matthew Bilmes, BCL/LLB'07, Carl Dolandas, BCL/LLB'06.



Anne-France Goldwater, BCL'80, et
le doyen Robert Leckey.



De gauche à droite, debout : Christine A. Carron, BCL'77, l'hon. Geraldine Sparrow, LLB'77,
Françoise Guénette, BCL'76, Louise Lévesque, BCL'76. Assis : Lorna Telfer, BCL'77,
Ian Rose, BCL'71, Robert C. Wilkins, BCL'72, Maura McKeon, Dip Ed'69, Cert Sec Lang'92.



Nicolas Glaudemans (Recipient: **Davis Ward Phillips & Vineberg Fund for Community Engagement & Lyon William Jacobs Q.C. Award**),
James Kim (Recipient: **Yoine Goldstein Book Prize in Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law**),
Madeleine Macdonald (Recipient: **Lord Reading Society 60th Anniversary Human Rights Bursary**).

CELEBRATION OF DONOR SUPPORT AND STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

LE 27 MARS, LES ÉTUDIANTS ET ÉTUDIANTES RÉCIPENDAIRES DE CERTAINS DE NOS PRIX LES PLUS PRESTIGIEUX ONT ÉTÉ INVITÉS À RENCONTRER LES GÉNÉREUX DONATEURS ET DONATRICES QUI ONT RENDU POSSIBLE LA BOURSE QU'ILS ONT REÇUE.

THIS MOST INSPIRING RECEPTION WAS AN OCCASION TO CELEBRATE THE EXCEPTIONAL TALENT OF THE FACULTY'S STUDENTS, AND SHOW GRATITUDE FOR THE TRANSFORMATIVE IMPACT OF PHILANTHROPY ON LIFE AT THE FACULTY. THE INVALUABLE SUPPORT OF OUR ALUMNI AND FRIENDS IS CRITICAL TO ENABLE THE FACULTY TO RECRUIT WORLD-CLASS STUDENTS, AND HELP THEM THRIVE THROUGHOUT THEIR LAW STUDIES.



Roberto & Michelina Buffone Research Assistantship Support Fund:
Alexander Agnello and Roberto Buffone, BCL'90/LLB'90.



Fern Gertrude Kennedy Prize in Jurisprudence:
Shelley Freeman, MSW'80, and Mark Dance.





John G. Ahern Q.C. Memorial Award:

The Honourable Joseph Nuss, BCL'58, and Farnell Morisset, BCL/LLB'17.



Norton Rose Canada Entrance Scholarship: Naomi Lewis-Lett and Norman Steinberg, Ad E, BCL'75, chair emeritus of Norton Rose Fulbright Canada, past chair of the Faculty Advisory Board.



Elizabeth Thomson International Experience Award:

Sydney Lang and Elizabeth Thomson, LLB'74, BCL'75.



Benjamin Brunot (Recipient: **Justice James K-Hugessen Fellowships for the Study of Disabilities and the Law**), Dean Robert Leckey and Maryam d'Hellencourt (Recipient: **Rosa B. Gualtieri Prize**).



Eric David, BCL'89, LLB'89, André Paquette, BCL'89, LLB'89, Sophie Roy-Lafleur, Career Development Office, and Anthony Fata, BCL'90, LLB'90.



The Honourable Joseph Nuss, BCL'58, and The Honourable Benjamin J. Greenberg, QC, BCL'57.

MONTREAL ALUMNI COCKTAIL

LE 10 AVRIL, LE PREMIER COQUETEL ANNUEL DES DIPLÔMÉS ET DIPLÔMÉES TENU PAR LA FACULTÉ À MONTRÉAL A CONNU UN SUCCÈS RETENTISSANT. MORE THAN 250 ALUMNI, REPRESENTING LAW CLASSES FROM 1947 TO 2018, WERE BACK IN CHANCELLOR DAY HALL TO RECONNECT WITH OLD FRIENDS AND MAKE NEW CONNECTIONS. MERCI À TOUS NOS DIPLÔMÉS ET DIPLÔMÉES POUR CETTE SOIRÉE MÉMORABLE !



Marc Weinstein, BCL'91, LLB'91, Gregory David, BCL'93, LLB'93, Naomi Shrier, University Advancement, Norman Steinberg, BCL'75, and Tina Hobday, BCL'93, LLB'93.



Marc Barbeau, BCL'84, LLB'84, and Hillel Rosen, BCL'85, LLB'85.



Judith Knight, BCL'91, LLB'91, and Stephen Fogarty, BCL'84, LLB'85.



Dean Robert Leckey, Noura Karazivan, BCL/LLB'03, Sarah Woods, BCL/LLB'03, and David-Emmanuel Roberge, BCL'01, LLB'01.



Sophie Roy-Lafleur, Career Development Office,
Ewa Krajewska, BCL/LLB'08, and
Jamie Cameron, LLB'78.



Matthew Chung, BCL/LLB'17,
and Dean Robert Leckey.

TORONTO ALUMNI COCKTAIL

TORONTO-BASED ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF THE FACULTY WERE REUNITED FOR THE ANNUAL TORONTO ALUMNI COCKTAIL TO CATCH UP OVER DRINKS AND RECONNECT WITH DEAN ROBERT LECKEY. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO JOINED US, AND TO THOMSON REUTERS FOR HOSTING THIS WONDERFUL EVENT.



Kendra Hefti, BCL/LLB'16, Benny Chan, BCL/LLB'17,
Delaney Greig, BCL/LLB'15, and Christie Bates, BCL/LLB'16.

Bernard Baum, BCL'75, LLB'76,
Glenn Higginbotham, BCL'75, LLB'76,
and the Honourable
Geraldine Sparrow, LLB'77.



HONG KONG



Law student on exchange Ghaith El-Mohtar, BCL/LLB'18, and Elizabeth Thomson, LLB'74, BCL'75.



Law alumnae Susan Lavender, BCL'88, LLB'88, and Elizabeth Thomson, LLB'74, BCL'75, with fellow McGillians at the McGill Principal's Hong Kong Reception. Dean Robert Leckey met with the law alumni community in Hong Kong a few days later.

MCGILL LAW ON THE ROAD

THE FACULTY OF LAW HAS BEEN INCREASING ITS PRESENCE OUTSIDE MONTREAL TO CREATE MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR LAW ALUMNI EVERYWHERE TO RECONNECT AND GET TOGETHER. STAY TUNED FOR MORE EVENTS!

OTTAWA



John Ramsay, BCL/LLB'07, Andrés Drew, BCL/LLB'07, and Mark Searl, BCL'01, LLB'01, catch up over drinks at the annual Ottawa Alumni Coffeehouse held on September 28, 2017.

CALGARY



Calgary alumni jumped on the occasion to get together, thanks to a cocktail hosted by Bennett Jones LLP: Sarah Newcombe, BCL/LLB'15, Suzanne Davies, BCL'01, LLB'01, Bryan Haynes, LLB'93, Catherine Hamill, BCL/LLB'15, Stephanie Clark, BCL/LLB'15, Dean Robert Leckey, Sandra Aigbinode, BCL/LLB'15, the Hon. Sal LoVecchio, BCL'70, Adriane Dueck, Jonathan Dueck, BCL/LLB'17.

BOSTON



On January 22, McGill Law alumni in Boston came together for a reception and dinner with Dean Leckey, David Alward, Canadian Consul General in Boston, and visiting Law alumni from Montreal. The cocktail was generously sponsored by Morgan Lewis and the dinner by BLG.

Dinesh Melwani, BCL/LLB'04, David Alward, Consul general of Canada in Boston, Robert Ventura, BCL'76, LLB'78, Sarah Gagan, LLB '95, George Sopel, BCL'95, LLB'95, Mary Patricia Cormier, BCL'96, Sylvain Rouleau, BCL'96, Allison Jaskolka, BCL/LLB'12, Hadrien Montagne, BCL/LLB'05, Vivian Wexler, LLB'01, T. Peter R. Pound, BCL'01, LLB'01, Neil Hazan, BCL/LLB'02, Dean Robert Leckey, Naomi Shrier, University Advancement, Rachel Faye Smith, BCL/LLB'04, Danny Kaufer, BCL'77, LLB'78, Janice Gross, BCL'93, LLB'93, Richard Rosensweig, BCL'91, LLB'91, Howard Mandelcorn, BCL'91, LLB'91.

NEW YORK



Lisa Shemie, BCL'94, LLB'94, Itai Sneh, LLB'93, Ian Cuillerier, BCL'95, LLB'95, and Axel Bernabe, BCL'01, LLB'01.



Dean Robert Leckey handed Jordan Waxman, LLB'91, BCL'92, his Chancellor Day Medallion at the New York Law Alumni cocktail, kindly hosted by HighTower at their downtown Manhattan offices on November 8, 2017.



Calgary (continued): Kara Levis, BCL/LLB'07, Jim Surbey, LLB'76, Dean Robert Leckey, Laura E. Buckingham, BCL/LLB'07, Stephen Panunto, BCL/LLB'04, Marielle Kaley Lachapelle, BCL/LLB'17.

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JOHN W. DURNFORD

(1929-2017)

A native Montrealer, John Durnford was a two-time graduate of McGill (BA'49, BCL'52). Admitted to the Bar in 1953, he practiced law for several years in Montreal before returning to McGill as an associate professor in 1959. He served as Law Dean from 1969 to 1974.

His deanship came during a crucial period in the Faculty's history and he proved a courageous and compassionate administrator and leader. The revolutionary National Programme was introduced in 1967, the first iteration of a curriculum combining the common law and civil law. He played a vital role in ensuring the successful implementation of this innovative bilingual program.

As Dean, Durnford fostered an enduring pattern of mutual respect for differences and cordial relations among students, staff, and professors. Colleagues remembered him as energetic, funny, smart, soft-spoken, and very much the gentleman. Yet he was firm in advocating for fair treatment of colleagues—including the Faculty of Law's first female professor. He took pains to ensure that photos of distinguished graduates hanging on the walls of Chancellor Day Hall included more women, setting a path toward greater inclusiveness.

After his deanship, Durnford continued at McGill as a beloved and extraordinary teacher, and remained attentive to the well-being of his colleagues. He taught a wide range of courses, his expertise in special contracts and taxation being especially appreciated. In a bold move that few established academics would dare to follow, he switched his research and teaching from the civil law to the law of taxation when he was in his 40s. In 1977, he was appointed Sir William C. Macdonald Professor of Law. Immediately following his retirement, McGill named him emeritus professor.

In 1987, the Class of 1962 established the Professor John W. Durnford bursary. In the late 1990s, the Law Students' Association renamed its teaching award the John W. Durnford Teaching Excellence Award. In 2017, a classroom renovated thanks to the generosity of the Classes of 1974, 1975, and 1976 was renamed the John W. Durnford Classroom.

Robert Leckey
Dean and Samuel Gale Professor of Law

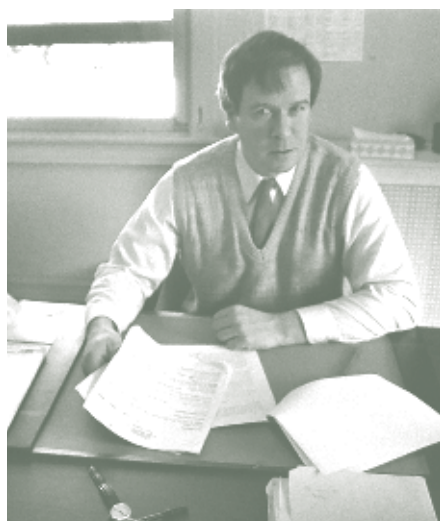
Read the many touching tributes to John Durnford we received from our community at:
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THE BLAINE BAKER ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIP

Established in 2013 by students, friends, family and colleagues of Blaine Baker in recognition of his 30 years of service, this scholarship is awarded to one or more outstanding students entering the BCL/LLB program on the basis of high academic standing, with a preference for those having pursued prior graduate studies.

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BLAINE BAKER (1952-2018)

Professor Baker taught legal history, administrative law, and contract law for more than 28 years. Prior to joining McGill in 1981, he studied law at the University of Western Ontario (LLB'78) and Columbia University (LLM'80), and he was a Bigelow Fellow at the University of Chicago Law School. At McGill, he served as associate dean (academic) from 1999 to 2001 and associate dean (graduate studies) from 1997 to 1999. He was named professor emeritus on his retirement in 2009.

A beloved teacher, Baker received the John W. Durnford Teaching Excellence Award three times. His scholarship also garnered him awards from the Canadian Law and Society Association, Canadian Association of Law Libraries, American Society for Legal History, and Canadian Historical Association.

Over the course of his career, Baker was scholar-in-residence at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP and he acted per diem for the Attorney General of Ontario as a Superior Court Mandatory Mediator and as a License Appeal Tribunal member and adjudicator. He continued to co-teach courses at McGill many years after his retirement.

"Blaine Baker made extraordinary contributions to Canadian legal history and he was an outstanding, unforgettable teacher who cared deeply about his students," said Dean Robert Leckey. "On behalf of the Faculty of Law, I extend my sympathies to his many friends, former colleagues and students."

*A memorial ceremony in his honour was held
in McGill's Birks Heritage Chapel on September 7.*

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1960s

- In October, the Hon. Mr. Justice **RONALD L. BERGER**, BA'64, BCL'67, retired from the Alberta Court of Appeal, to which he was appointed in 1996. From 1985 to 1996, he had served on the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta. During his time on the bench, Justice Berger didn't shy away from exercising his judicial independence. He was a staunch defender of the vulnerable and of the integrity and independence of the judiciary.
- L'honorable **IRWIN COTLER**, BCL'64, OC, OQ, a reçu un doctorat *honoris causa* à la collation des grades de la Faculté de droit de l'Université de Montréal pour son engagement exceptionnel en droits de la personne. Un doctorat honorifique lui a aussi été conféré par l'Université de Tel Aviv en août.
- **RICHARD POUND**, CC, OQ, QC, FCA, BCL'67, LLD'09, a reçu le titre de Commandeur de l'Ordre de Montréal, le grade le plus élevé de cet ordre soulignant le talent et les réalisations des gens qui façonnent la métropole.

1970s

- **MICHAEL GOLDBLOOM**, LLB'78, BCL'79, who is co-chair of the Board of Trustees of the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada (MISC), was named chair of the Board of CBC/Radio-Canada. Goldbloom has also been appointed for a third five-year term as Principal of Bishop's University, which he has headed since 2008.
- **LEWIS KLAR**, QC, BCL'70, LLM'73, Professor Emeritus, University of Alberta, was the recipient of the 2016 Professor John G. Fleming Memorial Prize for Tort Scholarship and delivered the 2016 biannual Fleming Lecture at Berkeley Law, University of California.
- The Hon. **SAL LOVECCHIO**, BCL'70, has been appointed as Calgary's new integrity commissioner. He will be tasked with investigating any complaints of ethical wrongdoing or policy breaches by city council members. The appointment came shortly after he retired from a distinguished 22-year career as judge in the Court of Queen's Bench.

1980s

- **LENNY ABRAMOWICZ**, BCL'85, LLB'85, received the Law Society Medal at the Ontario Law Society's Annual Awards ceremony at Osgoode Hall in Toronto. Abramowicz was honoured for his commitment to Ontario's community legal clinic system and for his exceptional achievements and contributions.
- **MARC BARBEAU**, BCL'84, LLB'84, was elected chair of Stikeman Elliott LLP. An adjunct professor and member of our Faculty Advisory Board, Barbeau has lectured in Corporate Finance at the Faculty since 1996.
- **STEPHEN FOGARTY**, BCL'84, LLB'85, qui pratique principalement dans les domaines de droit de l'immigration et de la citoyenneté et en droit administratif devant la Cour fédérale, est co-auteur d'un ouvrage intitulé *Droit de l'immigration et de la citoyenneté* (LexisNexis, 2017).
- L'honorable **STEPHEN W. HAMILTON**, BCL'84, LLB'84, juge de la Cour supérieure du Québec, a été nommé juge de la Cour d'appel du Québec à Montréal. Il remplace le juge **YVES-MARIE MORISSETTE**, ancien doyen de la Faculté de droit (1989-1994), devenu juge surnuméraire en novembre 2017.
- **JIEFANG HUANG**, LLM'85, was appointed Director of the Legal Affairs and External Relations Bureau of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). In this role, he provides advice and assistance on matters relating to international law, air law and other key administrative and procedural matters. Huang is actively engaged in the activities of McGill's Institute of Air and Space Law (IASL) and its alumni association. He has taught courses at the IASL, and has provided thesis supervision to many students throughout the years.
- The Honourable **ALISON HARVISON YOUNG**, BC'83, LLB'83, a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, was appointed to the Court of Appeal for Ontario. Justice Harvison Young was a member of the Faculty of Law of McGill University from 1988-1998, teaching in the areas of public, private and family law.



Madam Justice **SHEILAH MARTIN**, BCL'81, LLB'81, was appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada. After a career in both in academia and in private practice, Justice Martin had been appointed to the Court of Queen's Bench for Alberta in 2005. In 2016, she was appointed to the Courts of Appeal of Alberta, the Northwest Territories, and Nunavut. She also served as a Deputy Judge for the Supreme Court of Yukon from 2009. Justice Martin's commitment to teaching and education has carried over into her career on the bench. She served on the Canadian Judicial Council's Education Committee and has worked with a variety of organizations on judicial education programming.

1990s

- **BERNARD DUHAIME**, BCL'98, LLB'98, professeur de droit international à l'Université du Québec à Montréal et spécialiste du Système interaméricain de protection des droits de la personne, est un lauréat 2017 de la Fondation Pierre Elliott Trudeau pour son projet de recherche intitulé *S'ouvrir aux Amériques pour mieux protéger les droits humains et s'engager dans la réconciliation*.
- Justice **CHILE EBOE-OSUJI**, LLM'92, was elected President of International Criminal Court (ICC) in The Hague for 2018-2021. Eboe-Osuji worked as a barrister and law lecturer in Canada from 1997 to 2005, after which he became prosecution counsel and senior legal officer at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda for two years. Going on to the Special Court for Sierra Leone as senior prosecution appeals counsel in 2007-08 and returning to the ICTR in 2008-10 as Head of Chambers, he became the Legal Adviser to the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in 2010. In December 2011, he was elected as a judge of the ICC.

- **SALLY A. GOMERY**, BCL'90, LLB'90, a senior partner at Norton Rose Fulbright LLP, was appointed a judge of the Superior Court of Justice for the Province of Ontario in Ottawa. During her 26 years as a civil litigator, Gomery handled a wide array of disputes, particularly in the areas of insurance, medical malpractice and health sector regulation, and class action defence. Committed to diversity and inclusion, she led efforts within her firm and the legal profession to promote equality of opportunity for all individuals. As a director on a variety of not-for-profit boards, she advocated for women, persons with disabilities, the homeless, refugees, and youth.
- **WARREN KATZ**, BCL'95, became Stikeman Elliott LLP's Montreal managing partner. He is also a member of the firm's Partnership Board and Executive Committee, and the former Head of its Corporate Group.
- Spécialiste de l'action collective et du litige, **ÉRIC MCDEVITT DAVID**, BCL'89, LLB'89, qui pratiquait précédemment chez Belleau Lapointe, a récemment fait le saut vers Municonseil Avocats inc. Auteur de nombreux textes et coordonnateur de nombreux actes de colloques sur les actions collectives, M^e McDevitt David préside la section Actions collectives de l'Association du Barreau Canadien-section Québec, ainsi que le Comité de liaison avec la Régie de l'énergie du Barreau de Montréal.
- **DAVID E. PLATTS**, BCL'90, LLB'90, was appointed a judge of the Superior Court of Quebec for the district of Montreal. Called to the Quebec Bar in 1991, he clerked at the Supreme Court of Canada with Justice Peter Cory before returning to private practice, initially at Langlois Robert. Until his appointment to the bench, he was a partner with McCarthy Tétrault, where he practiced a mix of intellectual property, civil and commercial litigation, and professional liability and disciplinary law, eventually specializing in the latter fields.
- **RENÉE THÉRIAULT**, BCL'93, LLB'93, who had been working as legal counsel at the Supreme Court of Canada since 2012, was named Executive Legal Officer (ELO) to Chief Justice Richard Wagner in July 2018 for a two-year term. She is the first francophone female ELO and the third woman to take on the influential job as principal adviser to Canada's top judge, assisting him with the administration of the Court, the Canadian Judicial Council and the National Judicial Institute. She is also responsible for media relations at the Court.

2000s

- **AUDREY BOCTOR**, BCL/LLB'05, and Professor **DANIEL JUTRAS** have been named amicus curiae to assist the Supreme Court of Canada in the case of *Bell Canada, et al. v. Attorney General of Canada*. A partner at IMK in Montreal, Bactor represents clients in complex civil and commercial disputes and has extensive experience in appellate advocacy.
- Journalist and critic **MICHELLE DEAN**, BCL/LLB'05, has a new book out about woman critics and intellectuals titled *Sharp: The Women Who Made An Art of Having An Opinion* (Grove Press, 2018). Dean is the 2017 recipient of the Nona Balakian Citation for Excellence in Reviewing from the National Book Critics Circle. A contributing editor at the *New Republic*, she has written for the *New Yorker*, *Nation*, *New York Times Magazine*, *Slate*, *Elle*, *Harper's*, and *BuzzFeed*.
- **DIONISIOS (DENNIS) GALIATSATOS**, BCL/LLB'04, procureur de la Couronne au sein du bureau du Directeur des poursuites criminelles et pénales depuis 2009, a été nommé juge à la Cour du Québec en août 2018. Il exercera principalement ses fonctions à la Chambre criminelle et pénale à Montréal.
- **NATALKA HARAS**, BCL/LLB'09, returned to practicing employment law as Legal Counsel, HRO Solutions, at ADP Canada in July 2018. Previously, Haras worked in institutional advancement as Associate Director of Development at McGill Law, and then as Director of Development at the Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation. In December 2016, she welcomed daughter Matilda Gagnon Haras.
- **KIRIAKOULA HATZIKIRIAKOS**, LLM'02, published the second edition of her book *Secured Lending in Intellectual Property* (LexisNexis, 2017). Hatzikiriakos is manager and senior legal counsel in the Commercial/International sector of Legal Affairs at the National Bank of Canada. She advises on all aspects of commercial lending and taking security across Canada and oversees the bank's commercial policies and procedures on such matters.
- **SARAH HUGGINS**, BCL/LLB'05, who for a decade worked at Torys and then as counsel to the Toronto International Film Festival, has launched an exciting new venture. The lawyer-turned-food-blogger-turned-restaurateur is the co-founder and CEO of Mary Be Kitchen, a wellness-oriented restaurant in Toronto serving simple, wholesome food made from scratch.

AVOCAT·E·S DE L'ANNÉE 2017

En novembre, le Jeune Barreau de Montréal a tenu son gala des Leaders de demain. Fait remarquable, 8 des 21 finalistes appartenaient à la communauté diplômée de la Faculté de droit. Trois de ces finalistes ont remporté le titre dans leur catégorie :

Pratique en contentieux / Juriste de l'État :

- **SARA GAUTHIER**, BCL/LLB'09 — Ministère de la Justice du Canada

Carrière alternative :

- **LESLIE NING**, BCL/LLB'14 — Clinique juridique du Mile-End

Litige civil et commercial :

- **JEAN-MICHEL BOUDREAU**, BCL/LLB'07 — Irving Mitchell Kalichman LLP

- **AMAR KHODAY**, LLM'08, DCL'14, was promoted to the rank of Associate Professor at the University of Manitoba's Faculty of Law at Robson Hall in April 2017 and was granted tenure in July 2017. He also co-edited a special criminal law issue of the *Manitoba Law Journal* and co-authored an article for the issue: "Beyond Finality: R v Hart and the Ghosts of Convictions Past." His most recent article, "Valorizing Disobedience within the Ranks: Law and Resistance in American Military Films," was published in the *Cardozo Arts and Entertainment Law Journal*.
- **ANNE LEFEVER**, BCL/LLB'07, has made partner at Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman in New York. Lefever focuses her practice on litigation and complex commercial disputes, especially on the aviation and financial services sectors. She is a member of the firm's Corporate Investigations & White Collar Defense team, helping clients address allegations of tax fraud, money laundering, corporate governance issues and OFAC violations. She also assists European clients with U.S. regulations and claims, and with the U.S. justice system. *Global Investigations Review* named her to its 40 Under 40 list in 2017.
- **KARA LEVIS**, BCL/LLB'07, was the recipient of Tomorrow's Leader Award from the Women in Law Leadership association. Levis is Legal Counsel at TransCanada's energy business group, and a board member of both the Association of Women Lawyers and the Ask Her Association, an organization dedicated to increasing the participation of women in municipal politics in Calgary.

University of Ottawa's Faculty of Law.

- **ANNAMARIA ENENAJOR**, BCL/LLB'12, is now a partner at Ruby Shiller & Enenajor, Barristers, in Toronto, a firm that specializes in criminal defence and regulatory law. Previously, Enenajor practiced litigation in the New York office of a large international law firm, where she focused on government enforcement actions and internal investigations into allegations on corruption and bribery. A frequent commenter of criminal justice issues, Enenajor is also the director of the Campaign for Cannabis Amnesty.
- **MOSES GASHIRABAKE**, BCL/LLB'17, was appointed as a part-time director for the Canadian Race Relations Foundation (CRRF) for a three-year term starting in May 2018 by the Federal Government. The CRRF is dedicated to the elimination of racism and all forms of racial discrimination in Canadian society. He also currently supports McGill's alumni relations engagement strategy in the UK and in Europe.
- **ALEXANDRA HARRINGTON**, DCL'15, who is Lead Counsel for Peace, Justice and Accountability at the Centre for *International Sustainable Development Law* and an adjunct professor at Albany Law School, has published a book titled *International Organizations and the Law* (Routledge, 2018). She was also recently selected as the 2018-2019 Fulbright Canada Research Chair in Global Governance, to be based at the Balsillie School of International Affairs in Waterloo, Ont.
- **KENDRA ALEXIA HEFTI**, BCL/LLB'16, received the Rising Star award at McGill University's Toronto Excellence Awards Lunch in spring 2018. Interested in

cryptocurrencies, Hefti works at Deloitte Canada as Blockchain Tax Lead. (See story on page 12.)

- **DANIEL JUDD**, LLM'17, was awarded the inaugural Michael Mustill Essay Prize for "Arbitral Independence as Trusteeship." This international competition was set up by the International Dispute Resolution Centre and St John's College at Cambridge University in memory of Lord Mustill, who was a judge in the House of Lords and passed away in 2015.
- Lawyer and activist **RACHEL KIDDELL MONROE**, LLM'13, specializes in humanitarian assistance, global health, governance and bioethics. She is a member of the Médecins Sans Frontières International Board of Directors. She was recently appointed to the McGill University Health Centres Clinical Ethics Committee. She gave a TEDx Talk in Montreal in November on The Power of Choice.
- **ELSA KELLY-RHÉAUME**, BCL/LLB'11, won the Young Bar of Montreal's English Oratory Competition in June, going on to represent Montreal and Quebec in September during the Rentrée judiciaire of Montreal at the International Debate Championship, competing against European and American lawyers. Kelly-Rhéaume will also be competing in May 2019 in Washington, D.C., at the American Bar Association, during the Young Lawyers Division's International Oratory Competition, representing Quebec once again. She works for the Commission des droits de la personne et des droits de la jeunesse.

2010s

- **LAWRENCE DAVID**, BCL/LLB'14, completed his LLM at Harvard, where his studies focused on comparative public and constitutional law, and national security. Supervised by noted comparative constitutional scholar Mark Tushnet, David's thesis received high honours. He is now part of the team of federal Department of Justice lawyers that is responsible for advising the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness. As of September, David is also teaching a full-year course on Criminal Law and Procedure at the

ON WXN'S 2017 LIST OF CANADA'S MOST POWERFUL WOMEN – HALL OF FAME

- **ISABELLE MARCOUX**, BCL'94 — Chair of the Board, Transcontinental Inc.
- **SHANNON ROGERS**, BCL'96, LLB'96 — President and Chief Legal Officer, Global Relay
- **KATHLEEN TAYLOR**, LLD'17 — Chair of the Board, RBC

L'EXPERT 2017 RISING STARS

- **ALEXANDRE-PHILIPPE AVARD**, BCL'01, LLB'01 — Dentons Canada LLP
- **AUDREY BOCTOR**, BCL/LLB'05 — Irving Mitchell Kalichman LLP
- **SHANTONA CHAUDHURY**, BCL/LLB'05 — Pape Barristers Professional Corp.

- **ÉTIENNE LACOMBE**, BCL/LLB'18, who is doing a clerkship at the Court of Appeal for Ontario (Toronto), will head to Ottawa next year to clerk for Chief Justice Richard Wagner at the Supreme Court of Canada.
- **CHARLOTTE-ANNE MALISCHEWSKI**, BCL/LLB'15, was selected for a 10-month Action Canada Fellowship. This year's fellows will travel across Canada to learn about the diversity of the country's energy sector and the implications of the global transition toward clean energy sources. Fellows will engage young Canadians in dialogue to develop strategies for Canada's success, after which their recommendations will be presented to leaders in the Government of Canada and the energy sector, as well as to the public. Malischewski is a lawyer at McCarthy Tétrault LLP.
- **MATTHEW MALONE**, BCL/LLB'18, won the 2018 Harvey T. Strosberg Essay Prize for the best student essay on Class Actions in Canada. His paper, titled "Judicial Scrutiny of Third Party Litigation Funding Agreements in Canadian Class Actions," will appear in an upcoming issue of *Canadian Class Action Review*.
- **GIACOMO MARCHISIO**, LL.M'15, DCL'17, a reçu le Prix Henri Capitant 2018 pour sa thèse "The notion of award in international commercial arbitration – lessons from French and English law."
- **JOSEPH PAUL MURDOCH-FLOWERS**, BCL/LLB'12, was named Senior Adviser, Angutiit, by the Government of Nunavut in Iqaluit in January, and was then appointed Justice of the Peace and Regional Supervisor at Nunavut Court of Justice in May. Previously, he worked with the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

- **FLORENCE ASHLEY**, BCL/LLB'17, a reçu la bourse Dorais-Ryan pour ses recherches effectuées dans le cadre de sa maîtrise « sur l'obligation légale et éthique possible pour les médecins de famille d'effectuer la prescription d'hormones pour les personnes trans » lors du 14^e Gala Arc-en-ciel en novembre. Florence Ashley entamera par ailleurs un mandat d'un an comme auxiliaire juridique pour la juge Sheilah Martin de la Cour suprême du Canada en 2019.
- **SARAH ROSS**, BCL/LLB'12, who sits on the Faculty's Young Alumni Board, completed her PhD at Osgoode this spring, and will relocate to Vancouver. Ross was recently awarded a two-year Killam Postdoctoral Fellowship and SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellowship to be taken up at the Peter Allard School of Law at UBC, where she will research cultural competency and citizen engagement in city governance.

- After clerking at the Federal Court of Appeal in Ottawa, **MARC ROY**, BCL/LLB'15, joined Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP in Montreal, where he is now an associate and a member of the tax group. His practice is broad, including domestic and international tax planning, dispute resolution and litigation.
- **ANDREA SANCHE**, LL.M'10, made partner at Ricketts Harris LLP. A commercial litigator, Sanche's practice focuses on investor liability matters, employment law, fraud cases, and complex contractual and commercial disputes. She has considerable experience with interlocutory motions, including jurisdiction motions, and obtaining and resisting Mareva and Norwich orders.
- **DANIEL WILBAND**, BCL/LLB'15, completed a clerkship at the Court of Appeal for Ontario in 2017 and returned to his home in the Maritimes. Called to the Nova Scotia bar, he now works as an associate with Pink Larkin in Halifax, where he practices chiefly in labour and employment law as well as criminal defence and civil litigation.

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✓ OCTOBER 12-13	MONTREAL	HOMECOMING
NOVEMBER 7	NEW YORK	LAW ALUMNI COCKTAIL AT HIGHTOWER
NOVEMBER 20	TORONTO	LAW ALUMNI COCKTAIL AT THOMSON REUTERS
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