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STAFF APPOINTMENTS AND SEPARATIONS

FACULTY ADDITIONS:
Gordon Rahn joined the University of New Mexico School of Law’s Innocence and Justice Project as a Research Professor after spending ten years with the Kentucky Innocence Project as its project coordinator. He helped establish the Kentucky Innocence Project (KIP) in the Department of Public Advocacy, Kentucky’s statewide public defender office. He also developed partnerships with the University of Kentucky’s College of Law, Chase College of Law at Northern Kentucky University, the University of Louisville’s Brandeis College of Law and the graduate program in Criminal Justice at Eastern Kentucky University, so that students could participate through externships in the program.

Jennifer Landau joined the University of New Mexico School of Law’s Medical-Legal Alliance as a part time Research Professor.

FACULTY SEPARATIONS:
Professor of Law J. Michael Norwood retired effective June 30, 2011
Associate Professor of Law Erik Gerding resigned effective June 30, 2011

ADJUNCT FACULTY:
Samantha Adams, Modrall Sperling Roehl Harris & Sisk PA
Cynthia Aragon Stanaland, Aragon and Soto Hall, LLC
Tim Atler, Sutin Thayer Browne PC
George Bach, Bach and Garcia, LLC
A. Brent Bailey, Dixon Scholl & Bailey PA
Donald Becker, Esq.
Mary Behm, Keleher & McLeod
Barry Berenberg, Masey & Berenberg
Carl Bettinger, Shapiro Bettinger Chase, LLP
Honorable William Bluehouse Johnson, Isleta Pueblo
Michael Browde, Professor Emeritus
Rose Bryan, Esq.
Susan Burgess-Ferrell, NM Public Defender’s Office
Honorable Michael Bustamante, NM Court of Appeals
William Carr, Holland & Hart LLP
Rodina Cave, Sutin, Thayer & Browne
J. Alison Cimino, Law Office of J. Alison Cimino, PC
Stephen Curtice, Esq.
Scott Davidson, Attorney at Law
Robert Desiderio, Professor Emeritus
Michelle Dowler, 2nd Judicial District Attorney’s Office
Tracy Drager, 2nd Judicial District Attorney’s Office
Laura Fashing, Attorney at Law
Kristina Fisher, Think New Mexico
Tara Ford, Pegasus Legal Services for Children
Sandy Gilley, Law Access New Mexico
Richard Gonzales, Professor Emeritus
Scott Gordon, Rodey Dickason Sloane Akin & Robb PA
Jason Greenlee, 2nd Judicial District Attorney’s Office
Andrea Guendelman, Sutin Thayer & Browne, PC
Emlen Hall, Professor Emeritus
Frederick Hart, Professor Emeritus
Peter Hoffman, University of Houston Law Center
Jonathan Ibarra, 2nd Judicial District Attorney’s Office
Honorable Robert Jacobvitz, US Bankruptcy Court
Honorable William Johnson, U.S. District Court Judge
Honorable Roderick Kennedy, NM Court of Appeals
Rebecca Kitson, John W. Lawit, PC
Ruth Kovnat, Professor Emerita
Jennifer Landau, Discesan Migrant & Refugee Services
Eric Laurence, Lewis and Roca LLP
Kathleen Lebeck, Kathleen Davison Lebeck JD LLC
Joe Lennihan, Esq.
David Levin, 2nd Judicial District Court
Georgene Louis, Esq.
Lora Lucero, Esq.
Cassandra Malone, Keleher & McLeod
Randi McGinn, MCML PA
Liz McGrath, Pegasus Legal Services for Children
Christopher Melendrez, Esq.
Anita Miller, Anita P. Miller, LLC
Lynn Mostoller, Sutin Thayer & Browne PC
Honorable Nan Nash, 2nd Judicial District Court
Ted Occhialino, Professor Emeritus
Helen Padilla, American Indian Law Center, Inc
Pablo Padilla, Esq.
Mary Pareja, Esq.
Trace Rabern, Attorney at Law, LLC
Robert Rambo, NM Court of Appeals
Honorable Richard Ransom
Daniel Rey-Bear, Nordhaus Law Firm, LLP
Ed Ricco, Rodey, Dickason, Sloan Akin & Robb
Leo Romero, Professor Emeritus
Maureen Sanders, Sanders & Westbrook
Molly Schmidt-Nowara, Freedman, Boyd, Hollander, Goldberg & Ives
Steve Scholl, Dixon Scholl & Bailey PA
Andrew Schultz, Rodey Dickason Sloane Akin & Robb PA
Robert Schwartz, Professor Emeritus
Bill Slease, Slease & Martinez, P.A.
David Stout, Carpenter, Stout, & Ransom, Ltd.
Honorable Jonathan Sutin, NM Court of Appeals
Presiliano Torrez, Dept. of Justice, US Attorney
Monica Torrez, Esq.
Honorable Linda Vanzi, NM Court of Appeals
Tim Vollman, Esq.
Olsi Vrapi, Noble Law Firm
Catherine Zarkos, NM Public Defender’s Office

**STAFF ADDITIONS/SEPARATIONS**

Ann Delpha was hired 8/1/10 as a Paralegal for the Innocence and Justice Project. Her position was changed to Attorney effective 4/1/11.

Curtis Vigil was hired 8/5/10 as an Accountant II.

Manuel (Nicolas) Cabrera-Montiel was hired 1/18/11 as Program Specialist for the Innocence & Justice Program

Emilia Vigil was hired 7/19/10 as an Administrative Assistant/Legal for the DWI/DV Prevention & Prosecution Practicum.
ADMISSIONS

The University of New Mexico School of Law received 942 applications for the class that entered Fall 2011. Of that group, 237 were admitted; 113 enrolled. For the entering class, the 25th percentile LSAT and UGPA was a 152 and 3.05; the 75th percentile was a 161 and 3.69; the median was a 157 and 3.33. Only two other school in the country have such a broad spread the 25th and 75th percentile LSAT scores. The median age on entry was 26. The class of 102 residents and 11 nonresidents had 44 percent women and 44 percent minority students.

The Law School met its enrollment goals during an admission cycle when applications were down nationally and many schools were unable to do so. In addition, we increased our median and 75th percentile LSAT predictors and our Native American and Hispanic enrollments. This means that we increased the quality of the class at the same time we increased the diversity of the class. This year we were named one of the 10 most popular law schools in the country, confirming us as one of the most selective schools.

The Law School also enrolled four transfer students and four visiting students.

RECRUITMENT 2010-2011

The Law School recruited students from New Mexico four-year institutions. Recruiters met with students at on-campus career days and made presentations to pre-law society meetings and to appropriate undergraduate classes and special programs.

The Law School also participated in regional recruitment through the Caravan sponsored by the Western Association of Pre-law Advisors (WAPLA), visiting the University of Colorado-Boulder, the University of Utah, Brigham Young University, the University of Arizona, and Arizona State University and the University of Nevada Las Vegas. Individual visits were made to Colorado College, University of Washington, Western Washington University, and University of Texas at El Paso.

Prospective applicants were also recruited at Kaplan LSAT review courses and at the Law School Admission Council’s forums held in Bay Area, Boston, New York, Chicago, Houston, Miami, Washington D.C. and Los Angeles. LSAC paid the registration and accommodation costs for forums making it more financially sound for us to participate.

In addition to on-campus visits, the Law School held four open house programs for all prospective applicants, and one program for accepted applicants. A special dean’s reception was held late in the spring for accepted applicants who paid seat deposits.

During the year, admissions representatives met with approximately 350 prospective applicants, arranging class visits and tours and answering the applicants’ questions. Recruiters responded to emails and phone inquiries from prospective and current applicants. Again this year the office hired law students who served as ambassadors to prospective students. Law student ambassadors
conducted Law School tours and helped to coordinate individual prospective student visits.

This year, the School of Law better utilized its alumni base and its alumni in recruiting. For example, Chief Justice Daniels made calls to several of our best recruits, improving our yield among our resident admittees.

The Law School also participated in UNM's outreach programs, including high school visitation days. And, the Law School again sponsored a program with the Mexican American Law Student Association, the Native American Law Student Association and the Black Law Student Association for high school students. Interested students visited the Law School March 5 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a variety of presentations, and met with law students and attorneys to learn about life at law school and how the legal process works.

UNM School of Law students and admission representatives also hosted an information session at CNM as a part of the DiscoverLaw.org Month

Law student organizations continued to support Law School sponsored recruitment efforts. Student groups called and emailed both prospective applicants and admitted applicants, and also sent information to them through direct mail. MALSA members conducted Mock LSATs for prospective applicants again this cycle, visiting ENMU, NMSU, IAIA, and UNM.

In 2011, the University of New Mexico School of Law conducted year-two of a three-year, $300,000 grant from the Law School Admission Council DiscoverLaw.org Prelaw Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) Program. The purpose of the grant is to increase the number of Native Americans in the legal profession by applying, being admitted, and enrolling in law school. The grant supports a Summer pre-law program for Native American undergraduate students in their first or second year of study. The program ran from June 5 to July 2, 2011. Nineteen Native American students participated, an increase of 30% from the previous year. During the month-long residential program, students were exposed to law school curriculum through three academic courses that focused on writing, critical thinking, and analytic skills. Students also participated in professional development opportunities such as site visits to local law firms, visits to local, state, and tribal courts, academic/career advisement, and a mentorship program.

**Financial Aid**

In 2010-2011, the school awarded scholarships, grants, and fellowships to 109 students or 31 percent of the student body. The total amount of aid awarded was $652,900. The awards were supported primarily by Law School endowment income and gifts, and University Endowment Income and other funds. Need-based grant decisions were made using the formula of the Law School financial aid committee and based on information provided on the Access application. All law students were asked to include parental information as a part of the need analysis or provide a form certifying that they were not being supported by their parents. Non-need-based scholarships, fellowships and grant decisions were also made by the financial aid committee, or in some cases separate committees.
As the Law School’s limited funds do not meet the needs of our students, the majority of students must depend heavily on loans. In 2010-2011, 310 law students borrowed a total of $7,559,345 from outside sources, (Federal Perkins, Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loan programs, Grad Plus Loans and private loan programs) to finance their law school educations. The average amount borrowed for 2010-2011 J.D. graduates was $63,793.

Law school tuition was $13,360 for residents and $30,604 for nonresidents. In addition, students were charged $400 for computer and duplicating fees.

REGISTRAR’S OFFICE

The University of New Mexico School of Law Registrar’s Office successfully managed student enrollment and maintained student records for 363 current students.

This enrollment represented 2.755% African American; 8.264% Native American; 2.755% Asian; 27.824% Hispanic; 48.485% Caucasian; and 9.917% undeclared.

The Registrar’s office instituted an online course request process for pre-registration of limited enrollment classes. Also, in-house digital archiving of past student records continues on an annual basis.

The office certified a total of 108 third-year students for graduation (Dec. 2010 = 20; May 2011 = 87; July 2010 = 1).

The Class of 2011 had an 86% bar successful passage rate for the July 2011 New Mexico bar examination.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

In 2010-11, the Curriculum Committee approved a significant number of new courses, many of which were related to implementing the Law School’s new upper-level writing requirement:

COURSES APPROVED

• Advanced Torts
• Child Custody Drafting
• Civil Litigation Drafting
• Early Bird Lobo Bar Review
• Employment Law Drafting
• Environmental Law Drafting
• Family Law Drafting
• Gaming/Gambling Law
• Immigration Rights Seminar
• Indigenous Cultural Resources
- International Entertainment Law
- Introduction to Natural Resources & Environmental Law
- Legislative Drafting
- Rhetoric: History, Theory, Application

The Committee also approved a proposal to change the names of the first-year legal writing sequence from LRRW and Advocacy to Elements of Legal Argumentation I & II to better reflect the fact that the second semester is a continuation and expansion of material presented in the first semester.

Finally, the Committee asked William Jackson to appeal the proposed sunsetting of LAW 548 (Refugee & Asylum Law), LAW 555 (Jurisprudence), LAW 571 (Native American Rights), and LAW 622 (Payment Systems). Of these courses, LAW 548, LAW 571 and LAW 622 were successfully appealed.

INDIAN LAW PROGRAM

AMERICAN INDIAN STUDENT ENROLLMENT
In the 2010-11 academic year, 33 American Indian students representing 24 tribal nations were enrolled at the Law School. The “critical mass” represented by these numbers facilitates a supportive climate at the Law School that in turn promotes the success of Native American students. The comparative lack of scholarship funds remains the biggest obstacle to enrolling American Indian students who are admitted to UNM, since many of these students are actively solicited for matriculation at other law schools with more generous offers of financial support.

INDIAN LAW CERTIFICATE GRADUATES
The May 2011 graduation added eight more alumni who completed the Indian Law Certificate (ILC). With this cohort, 118 graduates have completed the program since the first class graduated in May 1995. The certificate requires 21 hours of specialized study in Indian law. Of the 118 who have earned the ILC, 83 individuals are indigenous.

INDIAN LAW SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS
A committee consisting of representatives of the UNM Indian Alumni Council and UNM School of Law awarded the 2010-11 Toby Grossman Scholarship to first-year law student Samantha Azure (Ft. Peck Sioux).

The Indian Law faculty selected third-year law student Sherrie Harris (San Carlos Apache) as the recipient of the Henry Kent Anderson Human Services Award. The Henry Kent Anderson Human Services Award was established to benefit a student who is an enrolled member of an American Indian tribe “who has demonstrated, through exemplary work and deed, a concern for the victim’s of societies’ inequities.”

In Spring 2011, the UNM law faculty designated third-year law student Selesia Winston (Navajo Nation) as the recipient of the annual Mary Beth and W. Richard West, Jr. Award for Excellence
in Indian Law.

**INDIAN LAW FACULTY, STAFF, AND CURRICULUM**

In 2010-11 the core Indian law faculty members at UNM School of Law were professors Barbara Creel (*Pueblo of Jemez*), John LaVelle (*Santee Sioux Nation*), Gloria Valencia-Weber, and Christine Zuni Cruz (*Pueblo of Isleta/Ohkay Owingeh*). In addition, Professor Sherri Thomas (*Pueblo of Taos*) contributed to the Indian Law Program by serving on the Indian Law Committee and teaching a seminar on Indian law research. Professor LaVelle served as the Director of the Indian Law Program in 2010-11.

Professor Creel taught in the Southwest Indian Law Clinic (SILC) in Fall 2010 and Spring 2011, and served as Co-Editor-in-Chief of the Tribal Law Journal both semesters in which she supervised Tribal Law Journal students. Professor LaVelle taught his Conflicts of Indian Law I seminar in Spring 2011, along with the basic Indian Law survey course during the Fall 2010 semester. Professor Valencia-Weber taught Indian Law in Spring 2011. Professor Zuni Cruz was on sabbatical leave for the 2010-11 academic year.

In addition to teaching by the regular Indian law faculty during the 2010-11 academic year, curriculum coverage was supplemented by Sherri Thomas, Assistant Professor of Law Librarianship, who taught Specialized Legal Research in Indian Law in Fall 2010. Additional Indian Law courses offered in Fall 2010 were Natural Resources in Indian Country – taught by attorney Pablo Padilla, Tribal Courts – taught by Tribal Judge William Johnson and attorney Cynthia Aragon, Indian Water Law – taught by Timothy Vollman, Indian Gaming – taught by Georigene Louis, and Indian Appellate Advocacy by attorneys Daniel Rey Bear and Rodina Cave. In Spring 2011 Ms. Helen Padilla, Director of the American Indian Law Center, taught Tribal and State Relations, and Mr. Lennihan taught Indian Tax. Additionally, Mr. Rey Bear and Ms. Cave taught the National Native American Moot Court Competition seminar in Spring 2011.

Mitzi Vigil (*Jicarilla Apache/Ohkay Owingeh*), Administrator of the Indian Law Program, continued to provide administrative support for the Indian law curriculum and for all aspects of the Indian Law Program.

**SPECIAL INDIAN LAW EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

- **Indian Law Program Welcome Dinner.** In September 2010, Dean Kevin K. Washburn hosted a welcome dinner at his home for Native students entering the first-year class at UNM School of Law. The dinner gave students and their families a chance to visit informally with Indian law faculty members, and to learn more about the various features and offerings of the Indian law Program.
- **A Conversation with Donald “Del” Laverdure.** In October 2010 the Law School hosted a conversation with Mr. Laverdure, an enrolled member of the Crow Tribe, who was appointed by President Obama in 2009 to the office of Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs,
U.S. Department of the Interior. Prior to his federal appointment, Mr. Laverdure served as chief legal counsel for the Crow Tribe’s executive branch, and before that as a law professor and director of the Indigenous Law Program at Michigan State University College of Law. Mr. Laverdure is an alumnus of the American Indian Law Center’s Pre-Law Summer Institute (PLSI).

- 17th Annual Indian People/Indian Law Convocation and Gathering of Communities. The 17th Annual Convocation, a ceremony honoring students in UNM’s Indian Law Program and commemorating the Law School’s success in providing Indian law training to all students, took place on November 18, 2010. The keynote address was delivered by Vanessa Hodge, an alumna of the Pre-Law Summer Institute who serves as Counselor to Solicitor Hilary Tompkins, United States Department of the Interior.

- A celebration of the life and achievements of Tim Vollmann. Tim Vollmann was an Adjunct Professor for the UNM Law School’s Indian Law Program. Mr. Vollman died in an accident in December 2010, and in January 2011 a celebration was held at the Law School to honor his life and work. His teaching and mentoring of our students enriched the quality of their legal education and professional careers. At the time of his passing he was teaching the Indian Water Law class.

- Montana v. United States- Pathmarking the Field of Indian Law for Three Decades and Counting. In March 2011 the UNM School of Law and the UNM Indian Law Program convened a one-and-a-half-day symposium, thirty years to the day since the case was decided, to engage law professors, jurists, practicing attorneys, tribal leaders, and Indian law students in a wide-ranging reflection on Montana.

- Indian Alumni Reception at Federal Bar Association Indian Law Conference. The Law School also sponsored an evening reception for the UNM Indian Alumni Council during the April 2011 FBA Indian Law Conference. The reception provided a forum for Indian alumni to socialize with one another and to hear about Indian law program developments, especially those related to fundraising for Indian law program scholarships.

- Inaugural Indian Law Program Scholars Forum. In Spring 2011, the Indian Law Program held the inaugural ILP Scholars Forum in conjunction with the U.S. Solicitor’s Office Reception at the Law School. This Forum offered an opportunity for students enrolled in the Indian Law Certificate Program to present on their topic of research and/or advanced writing paper.

- Fifth Annual Indian Law Clinics and Externships Symposium. Professor Barbara Creel, along with Professor Aliza Organick of Washburn University, and Sarah Rauch, Lecturer and Director of the First Nations Legal Clinic, University of British Columbia, organized and conducted the 5th annual symposium on Indian law clinics and externship programs in May 2011. This year’s symposium was designed to facilitate discussion across doctrinal and clinical theories of Indigenous law and education. The goal was to create a pedagogy, and to explore emerging methodologies for teaching how to work and practice in Indigenous communities. The symposium allows Indian law clinicians and other clinicians to discuss shared missions and differing perspectives, and to support new ideas. This year’s symposium took place at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, and was jointly sponsored by the UBC First Nations Legal Clinic, University of British Columbia Faculty of Law; the
Southwest Indian Law Clinic, University of New Mexico School of Law; and The Tribal Law Practice Clinic, Washburn University School of Law.

- **PLSI and NA-PLUS Presentations.** In June 2011, the Indian Law Program, along with the UNM School of Law hosted a noontime presentation for the 2011 PLSI students, and, in a separate presentation to the NA-Plus participants, spoke about the Law School’s programs and opportunities.

## CLINICAL PROGRAMS

The clinical law programs served students during three semesters. All 2011 Law School graduates completed credit hours of clinic as per the Law School requirement. During the year the clinic operated through five clinical sections – two Community Lawyering Clinic sections, the Law Practice Clinic section, the Business and Tax Clinic section and the Southwest Indian Law Clinic section. All of these clinical sections are integrated in a common management system and share educational planning, including decisions relating to program design and a common classroom component.

The clinic served almost 600 new clients and continued to serve over 500 existing clients during the 2010 - 2011 academic year. The clinic also referred numerous clients for low cost or pro bono services to other service providers, or to the Law School’s volunteer Access to Justice Panel. In addition, clinic students provided dozens of legal education presentations to various community organizations and groups, including distribution of pamphlets summarizing key points of law together with links to service providers including the clinic. More details about the numbers of clients served and the referrals made are included in the graphics at the end of this section.

The clinical faculty continued to be very productive in their participation in the national and international clinical education field. Each clinic faculty member who regularly teaches in the clinic participated as a presenter in at least one national conference, and many participated in more than one. The Law School also hosted the annual workshop for Native American serving clinics.

Finally, the Law School’s clinics were awarded several grants in recognition of the work they produce. Former Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs, Michael Norwood, served as Principal Investigator for a grant in the clinic supporting the work of the Medical Legal Alliance for Children. The Law School Clinical Law Program, Health Sciences Center, and the School of Medicine continued its work under a far-reaching memorandum of understanding to expand interdisciplinary work between these institutions. In addition, the former Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs Dean Norwood served as Principal Investigator of a grant awarded by the New Mexico Department of Transportation to initiate the Driving While Intoxicated and Domestic Violence Prosecution in Practice program. The current Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs continued to serve as Principal Investigator on a substantial grant from the U.S. Department of Justice for the Innocence and Justice project. Additionally, the former Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs served as Principal Investigator for a grant that supports the work of the
Business and Tax clinic. Professor Christine Zuni Cruz continued to serve as the Principal Investigator for the New Mexico special project supporting the Southwest Indian Law Clinic. Professor Michael Norwood, the former Associate Dean for Clinical Affairs, received the New Mexico Academy of Family Physicians 2011 President's Award for the UNM Medical-Legal Alliance.

CASE STATISTICS

NOTES: This graph represents the number of calls, from potential clients received by the clinic and how the receptionist handled the calls.

Clinic Intake: Represent the clients who called the clinic seeking legal services and cases were accepted. It also includes cases accepted at intake sites.

Referred to Access to Justice Panel: There are 53 attorneys participating on the Access to Justice panel. Potential clients are referred to attorneys for pro-bono or reduced fee. Some of these attorneys have requested that only 2 or 3 potential clients be referred per month/year. However, there is no feedback as to how many of the potential clients referred to the Access to Justice panel actually receive legal services.

Referred to Lawyers Care, Legal Aid and Other: Represent the number of callers that didn’t meet the clinic guidelines for legal representation or the nature of their case was not appropriate for the clinical services and were referred to other alternative legal resources, i.e., Public Defender, Catholic Charities of NM, Lawyer Referral for the Elderly, Child Support Enforcement Division, Children’s Court.
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The Guanajuato Summer Law Institute is sponsored by a consortium of law schools, which includes UNM, Texas Tech University, Southwestern University, and the Universidad de Guanajuato. It is administered in cooperation with the Latin American and Iberian Institute. In Summer 2011, the program enrolled 19 students. Of the students who attended the program 7 were from UNM, 2 from Southwestern, 2 from the Universidad de Guanajuato and 6 were students who attend other U.S. law schools.

In addition, the 2011 Guanajuato Summer Law Institute offered a two-week externship program for students already enrolled in the four-week program. Three students participated in the program.

The Consortium deans met at the University of Guanajuato Law School to review this year’s program and to plan for next year.

The 2011 program was held from Sunday, May 29th, to Sunday June 26th, 2011. The externship program dates were June 27th to July 9th, 2011.

The following courses were offered:
- Overview of Mexican Business Law
- NAFTA and Trade in the Americas
- International and Comparative Family Law
- Contemporary Law, Politics and Society in Mexico

Professor Antoinette Sedillo Lopez served as co-director in 2012 and Emeritus Professor Bill MacPherson served as on site co-director. Tuition for the program has been $3,400 and the cost to participate in the externship program is $1000. This year we are updating the program website and the promotional materials. We will also try more creative marketing techniques to try to
increase enrollment. Bad publicity about violence in Mexico seems to have affected enrollment negatively, but Guanajuato continues to be a safe location for our program.

**LAW LIBRARY**

The Law Library and the Information Technology Department continued to provide resources, services and administrative support for the Law School library, information technology needs, and the school's student-edited journal publications. The department is staffed by approximately two dozen permanent employees and an equal number of student employees.

The Law Library continued to serve and support the Law School in its mission of educating and training students to become excellent lawyers who will enrich the local community after graduation. In its role as the only large academic law library in the State of New Mexico, in addition to providing library services and information resources to Law School faculty, staff, students, and alumni, the Law Library also provided services and resources to New Mexico legal practitioners; UNM faculty and students; faculty and students from other educational institutions, including paralegal programs; state government and court system employees; public libraries; and members of the general public. The Law Library also advanced its mission to collect and preserve a print legacy collection of the primary legal materials from the New Mexico territorial and statehood eras.

**PERSONNEL CHANGES**

**Library Faculty**

Marquita Harnett was hired as a Lecturer III to serve as the Business Operations Librarian, effective July 1, 2010. Eileen Cohen began to serve as Head of the Library Technical Services Department effective January 1, 2011. Sherri Thomas underwent a mid-probationary review and was retained and promoted to Associate Professor of Law Librarianship.

**Staff**

Ramona Garcia was promoted to Administrative Assistant to the Dean, effective July 1, 2010. Andrea Lujan was hired as an Accountant I effective July 24, 2010. JoAnn Lucero, who retired late last year, returned to work 10 hours a week assisting with business operations. Alexandra Siek was hired as a Library Services Coordinator effective September 1, 2010. Carolyn Kelly, who had served as Head of Technical Services, retired on January 1, 2011. Carolyn returned to work 10 hours a week cataloging materials. Ruth Singer who retired from the Law School several years ago, returned to work 10 hours a week processing the Utton Archives. Moses Moya assumed responsibility for library facilities needs in the Spring of 2011 and undertook a career ladder for a promotion to Library Information Specialist 3, which should be completed in Fall of 2011.

**LIBRARY ACTIVITIES & SERVICES**

**Public Service, Instruction, and Outreach**

The Library was open to the public an average of 83 hours per week. The Library gate counted 98,909 patron visits. This number is 847 visits higher than last year. This number does not
capture the number of law students who take advantage of the 24/7 Library Access for law students, which began as a pilot project in March 2010 and continues as a successful and very well-received service. As of June 30th, 156 law students had completed the 24/7 Access training and received the access code. The Library checked out or renewed 6,930 items and loaned 187 items to other libraries around the country. The Library Circulation Desk continued to be staffed by a mix of permanent Library staff and part-time law student employees.

The law librarians provided service at the Reference Desk from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mondays-Fridays, and from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sundays, for a total of 49 hours per week, with the exception of Summer 2010 and 2011 when only Monday-Friday reference service was provided. In the Summer of 2011 it was decided to eliminate Sunday reference permanently, based on a review of reference statistics showing a lack of use, and other commitments of the librarians—which include a new required two-credit Legal Research course for 2Ls to be taught in multiple sections each semester and Summer session. The breakdown of the reference questions taken at the Reference Desk was as follows: 793 law students (22.49%), 1328 members of the public (37.66%), 888 bar members (25.18%), 121 law faculty members (3.43%), 144 paralegal students (4.08%), and 252 other patrons (7.15%), for a total of 3,526 questions answered.

Services provided to law faculty away from the Reference Desk were separately counted. The Law Librarians completed 117 requests for faculty research assistance. The Law Library also delivered 422 books and articles to law faculty during this year. This work was supported in part by the Law Library interlibrary loan (ILL) team, which placed requests for 55 items for law faculty. The library staff processed materials for placement on Course Reserve for a total of 105 classes. The ILL team processed a total of 671 requests.

Law faculty assistance, ILL work, and general reference questions totaled at least 4,736 instances of support provided by the law librarians and the library staff in 2010-11, not counting instruction.

The Librarians taught Legal Research classes within the Law School curriculum, and offered 108 presentations, tours, and research lectures for more than 1,522 attendees last year, including paralegal students from other schools and colleges. Bibliographic instruction sessions included guest lectures by Eileen Cohen on Source Checking for the Tribal Law Journal, the New Mexico Law Review and the Natural Resources Journal, and for Professor Denise Fort's class on state and Federal Regulatory Research. Sherri Thomas offered bibliographic instruction for adjunct professors preparing to teach the Tribal Courts seminar in Spring 2011, and Professor Laura Gomez's Advanced Constitutional Rights class also in Spring 2011.

Although the Law Library continues to provide many services for citizens who come to the building to use the collection and databases, the Library also continued its commitment to community outreach programs working with the New Mexico Supreme Court Law Librarians to provide basic legal research sessions to citizens throughout the state and via Continuing Legal Education workshops. On November 5, 2010, Ann Hemmens gave a presentation on Library Services to Members of the Bar at the NM State Bar Business Law Section's 2010 Annual
Business Law Institute. On December 17, 2010, three law librarians, Sherri Thomas, Eileen Cohen, and Theresa Strike, provided the Fundamentals of Online Legal Research CLE at the Law Library. This 2.5 general CLE credit session was co-sponsored by the Senior Lawyers Division of the NM State Bar. This was a well-received program and the law librarians will continue to work with the Bar and particular sections, such as the Business Law Section, to offer hands-on CLE research sessions.

The law librarians also continued to participate in the State Bar’s Access to Justice Program, which develops standardized forms for pro se patrons to use in the state court system. These forms are available to the public from the Law Library and Court Clerk offices. In June the Access to Justice Program was awarded a $50,000 grant from the State Justice Institute that will give the judiciary the means to license the necessary software, hardware, and technical support needed for the initial creation and provision of online interactive domestic relations forms over the next two years.

Technical Services, Collections and Archives
The UNM Law Library continues to house the largest academic legal research collection in the State of New Mexico. In 2010-11, the law librarians continued their development of the collection, and the Library staff continued to maintain the collection and make it available to legal researchers. The Library’s total print and microform format collection at the end of 2010-11 was 403,430, placing it in the “large” library category by ABA accreditation standards.

The librarians continued to evaluate the print treatise collection identifying new titles to purchase for the collection, titles to maintain in the collection and others to move from the Lower Floor into this collection. This is a continually developing collection, based on input from the librarians and our patrons. The librarians decided to merge the Reference and Treatise collection; this will occur sometime next year following a thorough review of the Reference Collection.

The librarians completed a much needed update to our Library Fund Codes List used for monographic collection development. The implementation of these new codes has resulted in a more cost-effective and efficient process for obtaining relevant books for the collection with our vendor, YBP.

During the past year, the Technical Services Department resumed responsibility for ordering monographic titles; worked with Access Services to train staff on withdrawing and reprocessing materials; and worked with Public Services to revise the handling of government documents. Technical Services also worked with the Business Services librarian to review and change print routing to electronic routing when possible. The change entailed changing approximately 75% to electronic routing. Technical Services also updated order/serial records for titles flagged during the Treatise Review project. The Head of Technical Services took the lead in coordinating the purchase and loading of the catalog records for the treatise titles available on Lexis and Westlaw.

The Collection Maintenance department implemented the law librarians withdraw/discard decisions for select materials in the Compact Shelving area to make room for New Mexico
materials. This location provides more security for the important New Mexico materials, in accord with our Emergency Response-Disaster Preparedness plan for the collection. Other print titles, available electronically to all patrons, were withdrawn from the Lower Floor collection, allowing for the planning and coordination of a major shift of the collection which improved access and preservation of materials. Library signage, call number range labels, and patron finding aids have all been updated and continue to be maintained on a regular basis, improving access to the collection. The librarians reviewed lists of over 245 missing/lost titles and either purchased replacement copies or removed the records, cleaning up the library catalog to more accurately reflect the collection.

As the Federal Documents Coordinator, Ann Hemmens completed a Public Access Assessment, conducted by staff at the Government Printing Office via phone interview and review of our website and documentation. According to the Assessment, “as of 03/30/2011, GPO has found that the UNM Law Library is in full compliance of its responsibilities to provide access to and services for Federal Depository Library resources as 44 U.S.C. § 19 and the Federal Depository Library Handbook require.” Additionally we officially terminated Selective Housing Agreements from 1991 and 1995 that were no longer in effect.

To improve access to our audio visual collection, we updated the location records and labels to reflect the AV collection and to allow the items to circulate to our patrons.

The librarians worked with the Clinic faculty on a thorough review, weeding, and reorganization of the Clinic Library collection. Additional print copies of the NMSA1978 were added as were practitioner-oriented titles on tax, immigration, and other topics. The librarians worked with the Clinic faculty to develop a small collection of clinical law materials and works of the UNM clinical faculty for the Clinic Conference Room.

Archivist David Myers worked with Ruth Singer to create Law School Archives in conjunction with all of the research David provided for the Law School’s 60 for 60 anniversary celebration and book. The Law School Archives is now completely organized into two large file cabinets and twenty five boxes. The Law School Archives also include the following video oral histories: Fred Hart, Robert Desiderio, Ted Parnall, Leo Romero, Suelyn Scarnecchia and William MacPherson.

In addition, the following manuscript collections have all been completely organized, processed, indexed and catalogued during the past year, and are now open for research:

- Alice King Papers—the papers of the former first lady—which are especially good on children’s issues, the creation of CYFD, and her work in education and medical issues and her work on poverty. [http://rmoa.unm.edu/docviewer.php?docId=nmu-lmssking.alice.xml](http://rmoa.unm.edu/docviewer.php?docId=nmu-lmssking.alice.xml)

- Pamela B. Minzner Papers—former UNM School of Law professor, NM Court of Appeals judge and Chief Justice of the NM Supreme Court—this is an especially rich collection which includes her correspondence and speeches. [http://rmoa.unm.edu/docviewer.php?docId=nmu-lmssminzner.pamela.xml](http://rmoa.unm.edu/docviewer.php?docId=nmu-lmssminzner.pamela.xml)
- Jerrold Walden Papers—Long time UNM Law School professor which is strong in correspondence files and his research files for his books and articles. They include the materials he used in writing an important article on the illegal activities of the CIA. http://rmoa.unm.edu/docviewer.php?docld=nmu-lmsswalden.jerroldl.xml

- Henry Weifenhofen Papers—Another long time Law School professor—who taught from 1948 (the second year the Law School was open) until 1979. He was a leading national expert on law and psychiatry and wrote the standard text on legal writing. The correspondence files are extensive and cover the years from 1948 to 1988. http://rmoa.unm.edu/docviewer.php?docld=nmu-lmssweihoten.xml.

Ruth Singer is nearing the end of processing the voluminous Al Utton collection which contains a great deal of valuable material about the Law School, water law and boundary issues. It will have an online index when completed.

Ernesto Longa is near completion in processing the Mack Easley papers. Easley was a very important political figure in the 1950s and 1960—he served as speaker of the NM House of Representatives—as lieutenant governor and as chief justice of the NM Supreme Court [will have an online index when completed]. The cataloguing and processing of the William A. Keleher legal collection is almost complete thanks to Carolyn Kelly, Vickie Burt and Alex Siek. It will be housed in its entirety in the rare book room. Finally, Tony Anderson of Media Services found a 16mm reel of a movie entitled “In Pursuit of the Law” which is about the Law School in 1958. It will be converted to a DVD format. The only down side is that it is a silent film. It is supposed to have an accompanying text, but we have not been able to find it.

Library Technology and Electronic Resources
The Library continues to offer nearly 100 separately licensed databases for library patrons in 2010-2011. Many of these databases are accessible to public patrons on eight PC stations in the library. These stations also provide access to the internet and word processing. Many of the licensed databases are licensed for campus-wide – and in a few cases, university-wide, including the branch campuses – and are listed in the University Libraries’ database management system to ensure access to these resources.

The law librarians also continued to use their Faculty Research Requests Database to manage the faculty research and document delivery work reported in the Services section above. The database is an integral tool in these efforts.

The Law Library continued to promote the use of UNM’s institutional repository, LoboVault (DSpace), as a means of preserving electronic scholarly and teaching materials created by the Law and Library faculties.

Library Facilities
In August, 2010, the lower level received new carpet. The law student computer lab was subsequently relocated to an open area on the lower floor of the Law Library (12 computers, two network printers, and two vendor printers for Westlaw and Lexis). A nearby custodial closet was
converted to storage space for Westlaw and Lexis, all in time for the beginning of the Fall Semester. During the winter, the old computer lab was converted to a conference room which also serves as a reading room for the Law School Archives. In August 2010, as part of our 24/7 access program for law students, the Law Library had two surveillance cameras installed to monitor a section of the lower floor where the 24/7 access door is located. During the Spring Semester, two library faculty offices were relocated to create student study rooms and offices for student organizations on the upper floor of the library, primarily housing the student Tax Club, just in time to provide office space for the Club’s low income tax return preparation work during the 2011 tax season.

**LIBRARY FACULTY ACTIVITIES**

**Law School Teaching:**
The entire Law Library faculty worked with Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and the Law Faculty Curriculum Committee to develop and implement a newly required, two-credit legal research class to be taught by the Law Library Faculty beginning with the class of 2013, and taken during the students’ second year. This two-credit class replaces the one-credit class and the librarians will teach at least one section of it each summer, beginning Summer 2011, and then at least three sections in Fall and Spring semesters the subsequent year to accommodate the 100+ second year law students that are required to take it.

In addition to teaching the required research courses, the librarians also have been coordinating a “Library Week” with the first year legal writing instructors to offer instruction sessions in both the Fall and Spring semesters. The dialogue for cooperative teaching approaches between the writing instructors and librarians will continue to improve the quality of research instruction to the first year students each year. In order to facilitate and plan future library instruction needs, Sherri Thomas was appointed as Instruction Coordinator in Spring 2011.

- Ann Hemmens taught Legal Research 2 (Fall semester 2010) and provided several guest lectures (Clinic; International Human Rights; Interviewing, Counseling, Negotiation).
- Theresa Strike taught the inaugural section of the newly required 2 cr. Legal Research class Summer semester 2011.
- Sherri Thomas taught a section on Specialized Legal Research in Indian Law in Fall 2010.

**Publications**
- Carol Parker published: Author, Tenure Advice for Law Librarians and Their Directors, 103:2 Law Library Journal 199-217 (2011)
Law School Service:
Carol Parker continued to serve on the Dean’s Management Team, helped secure funding for and served as construction project manager of the remodel of room 2404, turning the Old Moot Courtroom into a large classroom. She also chaired an Ad Hoc Law Faculty Committee on Law Reviews and Journals. In January 1, 2011, she began to serve as the Law School’s Associate Dean for Finance and Administration.

Ann Hemmens served on the Academic Support Committee.

Ernesto Longa continued to encourage faculty to use open access scholarship repositories and served as the Law School’s editor of its Research Papers Series in SSRN. He also tracked all faculty publications for the Law School’s archives, annual reports and future self studies.

Theresa Strike served on the Academic Support Committee.

Sherri Thomas served on the Law School’s Pipeline Committee (aimed at creating programs that provide underprivileged and minority students, from elementary schools to undergraduate programs, with the tools to aid them in achieving a legal career). Sherri was also appointed to Indian Law Faculty Committee and Indian Law Certificate Committee.

University Service:
Carol Parker served on the Faculty Senate Budget Committee and the Office of E-Scholarship Committee.

Ann Hemmens served on the Faculty Senate Teaching Enhancement Committee which included selecting recipients of the annual Teaching Awards, and Teaching Allocation Grants. She also served on the UNM Libraries’ Library Job Description Task Force.

Ernesto Longa served on the Office of E-Scholarship Committee.

Theresa Strike served on the University Computer Use Committee.

Sherri Thomas served on the UNM Faculty Senate Library Committee. She also served as a support librarian for one of the Freshman Learning Community Courses, Transforming the Legal Profession: An Oral History Project, together with one of the University Librarians, Charlotte Walters.

Outside Professional Activities:
Carol Parker served as a board member of the Desert States Law Library Consortium. She also served on the AALL Academic Law Libraries Section’s Committee on Tenure/Continuous Appointment, and on the AALL Leadership Development Committee. Finally she served on the Legal Information Preservation Alliance Marketing Committee.
Ann Hemmens made a November 2010 Luncheon presentation about library services to the Business Law section of the State Bar, and promoted a December 2010 CLE on Basic Online Legal Research taught at the Law Library by the law librarians. She attended the AALL Management Institute in Chicago April 7-9, 2011. Ann attended the AALL Annual Meeting in Philadelphia July 22-26, 2011, at which she coordinated and moderated the Joint SIS Roundtable on Services to Pro Se Patrons & Prisoners; served on the AALL, Social Responsibilities Special Interest Section – Standing Committee on Services to Institution Residents (Prisoners), and updated the Directory of Law Libraries Serving Prisoners. Ann also served on the AALL Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section – Student Services Committee: moderating online discussion of marketing library services to law students. She continues to serve as Secretary for Friends for the Public Library, a nonprofit organization supporting the Albuquerque/Bernalillo County Library System. Finally, she continues to serve as peer-reviewer for Government Information Quarterly.

Sherri Thomas continued her roles as a committee member of the Federal Bar Association Indian Law on State Bar Exams Committee and as the Chair of the American Association of Law Libraries' Native Peoples Law Caucus. Sherri presented at three conferences during the 2010-2011 academic year. She presented at the American Association of Law Libraries Annual Meeting in Denver Colorado, on two different panels. First at the sold-out Pre-Conference Workshop on Tribal Law, presenting with David Selden of the National Indian Law Library and Jill Tompkins who is the Director of the Indian Law Program and the University of Denver, and then as a panelist on the Reference, Instruction and Patron Services-Special Interest Section Program - Topical Forum: To Serve Man? Patron Services to the Disadvantaged During and after the Downturn. In November 2011, Sherri did a presentation on the Southwest Inter-Tribal Court of Appeals (SWITCA) Appellate Rules of Procedure at the SWITCA Quarterly Meeting. Sherri also presented at the 4th Annual Tribal Leaders Conference, on "TRANSITIONS: New Directions in Tribal Leadership," held at the Santa Ana Pueblo, N.M., in March 2011, giving a case update to tribal judges and practitioners on recent developments in federal, state and tribal case law.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND MEDIA CENTER

The Information Technology and Media Center Department’s mission is to effectively support faculty, students and staff in their use of technology with the objective of enhancing their work in the areas of teaching and learning, research and scholarship, service, and communication. Lead by Assistant Dean, Cyndi Johnson, the staff is responsible for providing essential technology and media support services for all of the Law School departments and personnel.

Service
Due to the significantly increased demand for help with standard classroom technology as well as special event services, the Media Center was reorganized into two distinct areas. The newly formed Academic Technology Services department provides routine class-related services such as audio and video recording, and help with use of classroom equipment. Special Production
Services provides support for special events such as commencement, lectures, and CLEs. Both centers report that recording and posting audio and video to the Law School’s media server continue to increase exponentially. Typical requests include audio recordings for students who have missed classes, posting videos of outside speakers, student-hosted class review sessions, and special events such as the Ramo lecture and CLE events. Oral histories were video recorded and produced. Media Services employees created and posted help guides for all classroom technology use. They also began creating online tutorials for commonly used applications such as Skype. Media Services employees hired and trained several new student employees and helped faculty members learn how to utilize classroom technology. Technical Support Analyst Karen Talley conducted several workshops including Legal Technology for clinical law students, “How to format a brief” for first year students, “Powerful Word Tools – Get the Edge” for all law students, and a transition to Office 2007 for Institute of Public Law (IPL) employees. She also researched and installed a new program, TaxWise, used by the Business and Tax Clinic. A new “freeware” web-based help desk system, Spiceworks, was implemented to help track and facilitate user support requests.

Hardware
IT staff configured, purchased, imaged, and installed 7 laptops, 3 workstations, seven laptops, seven printers (networked and personal), and eight scanners. Four small seminar rooms were equipped with wall-mounted displays, laptops, and DVD players. The original Bratton Hall moot courtroom, room 2404, underwent a significant remodel and upgrade during the Fall 2010 semester. The project included a significant investment in state-of-the-art technology used both in a traditional class setting as well as during Law School student oral arguments. A new DWI/Domestic Violence prosecution clinic was funded under a grant and IT staff helped install eight student computers, one staff computer, one faculty computer, and a multifunction printer.

Personnel
Tony Anderson was upgraded from a Graphic Designer to an Instructional Media Specialist. Elodie Collins, Production Services Supervisor, retired after 25 years with UNM. This retirement provided the opportunity to reorganize various pockets of technology (telecommunications, Copy Center, and IPL IT) under one Director. A competitive posting for the position resulted in Cyndi Johnson, formerly IT Services Manager, being selected for the position.

Professional Development
IT staff participated in various committees and presentations throughout the year. Cyndi Johnson participated in UNM IT Agent meetings and was a member of the Law School’s Building and Safety.

Upcoming IT Projects
The School of Law plans to make a significant investment in upgrading its server hardware with the decommissioning of eight aging servers and the installation of three new servers to perform web, print, and application services. An upgrade to Microsoft Exchange 2010 (email) will be installed and Symantec Deployment Solution Suite will be used to manage inventory, workstation software installation and patching, and computer imaging. An upgrade to Amicus
Attorney, Client Management software used in the Clinical Law Program, will be installed on a server and all clinic workstations to be used in conjunction with a document assembly program, Hot Docs. 50 new workstations and four new computers will be purchased and installed for Law School faculty, staff, and clinic students.

**NEW MEXICO LAW REVIEW AND NATURAL RESOURCES JOURNAL**

Effective with this reporting period, the segment of the UNMSOL Journals program that comprises the *Natural Resources Journal* (NRJ) and the *New Mexico Law Review* (NMLR) was re-aligned under Carol Parker, Associate Dean for Finance and Administration, and the UNMSOL Library administration; it was formerly under the School itself. Lynne Arany, formerly titled Director of Publications, was renamed as Managing Editor; she remains the sole full-time staff dedicated to editorial, production, student-training, and quality standards oversight. The responsibilities of the former Business Manager, Jessica Leary (retired June 2010), were redistributed and are now shared by Arany and UNMSOL Library Business Operations Librarian, Marquita Harnett. Work Study support for the Journals was eliminated in Fall 2011, as part of a substantial cost-cutting program. Also on the budget front, UNMSOL direct funding for student recruitment, team-building events, and conference attendance has been eliminated; however, with the registration of both Journals as UNM student organizations in 2010–11, limited GPSA/SBA funds have become available for some of these needs. This year, too, NRJ’s internal leadership structure changed to match the NMLR’s, wherein the Faculty Editor-in-Chief position became a Faculty Advisor role instead; Reed Benson remained in this slot for the NRJ and Michael Browde continued for the NMLR. Last, the program’s move to Library admin brought a refurbishment of the Journal Suite workspace; the attractive new layout has enhanced the opportunity for collegiality and information exchange among the three Journals that share the space: NRJ, NMLR, and the Tribal Law Journal.

**EDUCATIONAL MISSION:**

The educational mission of Journal work remains a priority. UNMSOL is a small school and the respectively small all-student Boards (3Ls) and Staffs (2Ls) are under great pressure to deliver high-quality scholarship in a timely way—and the competition among all law schools for promising professional articles is stiff. Two major changes have potential ramifications for future success:

- **UNMSOL Journals Committee & Course Credits:** A joint Faculty–Student Committee investigated the credit structure for Journal work this year, and, tied into the School’s writing requirement, a decision was made to reduce Journal credits effective with the class of 2013. Incoming 2L staff (for Fall 2011) remained enthusiastic, however Journal work—historically a credit/no credit structure—has proven to take a back-seat to graded classes as each semester progresses. Whether the pool of potential candidates will shrink might be watched as well.

- **Publication Frequency to 2 issues/year:** Both Journals decided in 2010–11 to drop from 3 issues/year to 2, effective with their 2011–12 volume years. The necessity for timely publication was a key factor, as were the potential benefits of on-time releases: higher-quality professional contributions and better rankings. The expectation is that a similar amount of total articles per volume-year could still be published, however the economies of workflow
and focus would allow students to concentrate on improving content and procedures—and aid them in wrapping-up their Journal responsibilities as soon after graduation as possible.

Other concerns for our historically entrenched Journal model—one that is difficult to change, due to annually changing student leadership and editorial team—include a severely diminished subscription base and a need to match online publication models to legal publishing needs. Prior to this reporting year, the Journals had firmly established their online presence with improved UNMSOL website pages and a commitment to posting current-article PDFs while gradually populating the site with a searchable Back Issues component. In 2010–11, Professor Parker presented an opportunity to move more fully into the online journal universe, with an Open Access software solution, OJS (Open Journal Systems). The concept was intriguing to the students, but the time they had to devote to testing was limited. In the first half of academic year 2011–12, Lynne Arany is charged with an initial hands-on adaptation of each Journal’s workflow to OJS’s capabilities; the plan is to then engage the students in the testing process and, barring unforeseen incompatibilities, complete the transition by Spring 2012. Support and guidance for this project is provided via the OJS software developers, Associate Professor of Law Librarianship Ernesto Longa, and UNMSOL webmaster Adam Byrd. Future analysis might entail a deeper exploration of unique aspects of legal publications and enhanced search capabilities that are not fully developed in the currently available OJS modules.

Despite diminished staffing, and other challenges most law journals face, progress here at UNMSOL has been significant. Stepped-up training and instruction have paid-off. In conjunction with the Student Boards and the Adjunct Faculty who teach the regularly scheduled UNMSOL curriculum (2L Journal seminars), Lynne Arany continued her program of instructional handouts and editorial training; she taught two or more sections of each Journal’s class a semester, as well as offered ad hoc group and individual guidance as needed. The students in turn built their own internal “shadowing” and mentoring programs. Biweekly meetings with each Journal’s leadership proved a fruitful way of assessing workflow, helping them plan and anticipate/meet schedules effectively. With the tremendous support of a committed NRJ team, a substantial backlog that had been in place for many years was effectively caught up. With Professor Browde’s support, NMLR has begun to adopt similar procedures, placing them on track for the same positive results within the next year.

Over the term of this report, the following journal issues were published, and searchable article PDFs simultaneously placed on the UNMSOL website:
- **NRJ** (5 issues): Vol. 49, No. 3+4; Vol. 50, No.’s 1, 2, and 3 (Vol. 51, No. 1 arrived in August 2011).
- **NMLR** (4 issues): Vol. 39, No. 3; Vol. 40, No.’s 1, 2, and 3.

Two related areas to this track record—specifically in the technical and procedural realms—merit some comments and recommendations:
- Submissions: At specific intervals throughout the year, the Journals are inundated by new article submissions (sent predominately via an electronic service, BePress). To meet our desired publication schedules, it is critical for the review process to begin (for the next
volume-year) as soon as the new Boards have been determined in the Spring of their 2L year. Methods to manage this process could use more development.

• Word Processing/File Management: A critical factor in a productive legal-journal workflow is the technical condition of the manuscript files we work with; this is complicated by the now almost even use of Macs and PCs, and multiple, not fully compatible, versions of Word. With related delays (and student frustration) growing—and considering the headway that has been made in this last year to convert our page make-up workflow to using cost-saving Macros for our page make-up process—we hope that UNMSOL might broaden their Mac/Word support in the near future.

SPECIAL EVENTS, SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS, & CONFERENCES:
2010 was an important anniversary year for each Journal: the 50th for NRJ, and the 40th for NMLR. These landmarks were noted in a special feature in the 2011 issue of the UNM Law Alumni magazine, along with online articles and other observances. The NRJ and NMLR were also proud to participate as the only student groups granted permission to present tables at the prestigious “60 for 60” alumni event here, in November 2010.

Lynne Arany was the guest speaker on “Publication Management and Academic Journals” at a symposium sponsored by the Technical Communication Program at New Mexico Tech in October 2010. She attended the 2011 annual Society for Scholarly Publishing (SSP) Conference in Boston this past spring; the SSP event focuses on content management workflows, cutting-edge digital initiatives, and electronic publishing technologies, and supports Open Access. In October 2010, she attended (via Web) the Duke University conference, “Implementing the Durham Statement: Best Practices for Open Access Law Journals.” Professor Parker procured scholarship funds to allow Ashleigh Morris (NRJ) and D’Ontae Sylvertooth (NMLR), each a co-Editor-in-Chief from their journal, to attend that same 2010 Duke conference in person; and, an incoming co-Editor-in-Chief from each journal (Dan Akenhead, NRJ; Chris McNair, NMLR) attended the annual National Conference for Law Reviews (NCLR), in San Diego, in Spring 2011.

NOTES FROM THE STUDENT EDITORS-IN-CHIEF:
NRJ 2010–11 | Co-Editors-in-Chief: Maggie Lane & Ashleigh Morris
Board: 12 members; Student Staff: 11 members
“Our mission going into the 2010–11 academic year was to finally reconcile the backlog that has been looming over the Journal like a rain cloud for the past several years. We are proud to announce that we finished the year on track...Now that we are publishing fewer issues per year, the focus of the Journal should shift to focus on our quality and visibility. We hope these changes put the Journal in a better position moving forward.”

Journals Committee Report: Charged with the task of reassessing the journal writing requirement and determining future credit hour allocations, the committee ultimately decided (and received approval by the faculty at large):
Beginning with the 2012–13 Staff (2Ls), NRJ members will receive 1 credit per semester their second year, and 2 credits per semester their third year. And, Journal members will satisfy the Law School writing requirement through one of several Natural Resources-related seminars; Journal members will receive independent credit for the completion of the writing seminar. Should a NRJ writing seminar be created in the future (specific to Journal service rather than general Natural Resources seminars), the Journal credit allocation will increase to 2 second-year credits per semester. Note: The 2011–12 Board (3Ls) will retain the existing credit structure (3 credits per semester their third year; 2 credits in the Fall and Spring semesters of their second year).

Natural Resources Committee Report: One NRJ Editor-in-Chief served on the School’s Natural Resources Committee. Among other accomplishments, the committee gained faculty approval for a new Spring Law School course that would provide an overview of natural resources and environmental issues and also help acquaint potential NRJ members with NRJ issues in the Spring of their 1L year. The committee also discussed ways to strengthen ties between the Natural Resources faculty, the Utton Center, and the NRJ. One proposal was for the Utton Center to co-sponsor a biennial symposium with the NRJ, which would need to be considered further by both the NRJ and Utton Center.

Faculty Advisory Board (non-UNMSOL): In his new capacity as NRJ Faculty Advisor, Professor Benson spearheaded the formation of a multi-disciplinary NRJ Advisory Board. These pre-eminent scholars from a range of universities can be tapped to help assess articles beyond student expertise.

Board Positions: We continued to tweak our Board positions in response to the rapidly changing demands of modern journal publishing. This reporting year was the first that we had a Student Managing Editor slot, and we feel it was instrumental in the progress we made. We learned though that the submission review process needed bolstering, so in time for the Spring 2011 selections for the new (2011–12) Board, we added a hybrid Articles Selections/Manuscript Editor position.

Training: The outgoing 2010–11 Board dedicated a great deal of the Spring semester to enhancing the training, shadowing, and mentoring of our incoming Board members. This was accomplished through not only pairing up the outgoing members with incoming members, but also through partnered/supervised technical and substantive editing assignments and articles selection exercises. We feel this legacy must continue.

NMLR 2010–11 | Co-Editors-in-Chief: Jennifer Duprez & D’Ontae Sylvvertooth
Board: 16 members; Student Staff: 13 members
“Online access has greatly increased the need for a faster turnaround. Authors, now more than ever, want their articles published as soon as possible....As for recommendations, we would emphasize the need for a greater presence online. This year we made many changes but were unable to devote the time and energy needed to explore our online resources. Not only should we make our articles available online through our website, but major changes need to be made to the
website itself [to improve the experience].”

Rededication to NM Issues: We determined early on that Volume 41 would represent a landmark in NMLR history: we happily chose to rededicate the journal to exploring issues that have a direct impact on the state of New Mexico. In one initiative to that end, we reached out to the New Mexico legal community for their suggestions and input on key topics. We hope this effort will become a tradition as well as strengthen our ties with the New Mexico judiciary in particular; further, we hope we have laid the ground work for some exceptional articles in the future. By going to two issues per year (from three), it is our hope that we can expedite the publication process, retain the best authors, and gain a better experience—and result—for all those involved.

Student Articles: In recent years, the NMLR published all accepted student articles in the final issue of the volume-year. We were of the opinion that this strategy denied the student authors appropriate visibility; their topics could be important, but journal readers might overlook that last issue. With Volume 41—and we hope going forward—we are devoting a section to student articles in each issue.

Journals Committee Report: NMLR members offered mixed support for the committee decisions in response to the School’s concern about compliance with its writing requirement. Beginning with the 2012–13 Staff (2Ls), NMLR members will receive 2 credits per semester. Additionally, a graded classroom component was added for the staff during the Fall semester of their first (2L) year on NMLR, through which the staff is able to complete their writing requirement. Note: The 2011–12 Board (3Ls) will retain the existing credit structure (3 credits per semester their third year).

Seminar programming: 2010–11 was the last year the staff (2Ls) seminar had a fully student-devised curriculum and agenda. The framework of it continued to function in support of the case note and comment articles NMLR 2Ls have been required to complete. This year the syllabus was primarily coordinated by the co-Editors-in-Chief, and classes were taught by a variety of guest instructors including NMLR Faculty Advisor, Professor Michael Browde; law librarian Eileen Cohen; Publications Director Lynne Arany; and others.

**CAREER AND STUDENT SERVICES OFFICE**

The Career & Student Services Office (CSSO) at University of New Mexico Law School serves the career, professional development, and academic support needs of students and graduates of the Law School as well as the employment needs of law firms, government agencies and non-profit groups in the state and beyond. The CSSO has impacted the lives of students and graduates in many ways. Some of the efforts of the CSSO are annual and continuing. Such continuing efforts include: One-on-one career and academic counseling of law students; designing and implementing of academic support programs for students at risk; assisting students with disabilities; a formal On-Campus-Interview program; mentoring programs, such as the State Bar Young Lawyers Division Mentorship Program; participation in local and regional career fairs;
training and administrative support for student organizations and for students applying for
judicial clerkships; graduation; and management of orientation for incoming students, as well as
bar exam preparedness, which was a particular emphasis during the year. In addition, the CSSO
continued to generate and post job opportunities for students and graduates in an historically-
difficult employment environment for young lawyers. The CSSO also has ongoing information-
gathering and reporting duties for the American Bar Association, the National Association for
Legal Career Professionals (NALP), and numerous organizations like EqualJusticeWorks. UNM
School of Law was named again this year as a top law school in the country for Hispanic
students by Hispanic Business Magazine. The CSSO was responsible for the reporting and
interaction with editors of Hispanic Business before and after the rankings were made.

The Law School CSSO not only assists students and graduates with every phase of their career
search and development, it is also collects and provides the statistical data relied upon by NALP,
The Association for Legal Professionals. These detailed statistics provided by law schools help
paint the picture of the national legal market and are supplied each year by UNM Law School to
the American Bar Association for purposes of accreditation. Law schools throughout the nation
came under the microscope during 2010 and 2011 because of claims about employment and
salary levels for recent graduates. Some private and public law students hired their own
graduates, or arranged to pay other entities, to hire graduates, while others were accused of
reporting inflated salaries. These practices and scrutiny resulted in the ABA adopting new rules
and reporting instruments to capture information and retard gaming the system. UNM law
School has always been accurate with reporting authorities and during 2010-2011 reviewed the
ways it strives for transparency and accuracy in reporting employment information to the public,
including information presented to prospective students. Starting in 2011, statistics will be
gathered for NALP and again for direct reporting to the ABA. This will result in more of this
work for the CSSO in 2011-2012.

According to NALP, "the class of 2010 graduates faced [the] worst job market since [the] mid-
1990's [with] long-standing employment practices interrupted," due to salary and private
practice job erosion. In June 2011, NALP reported a "soft" employment rate nationally of 87.6%
employed for the law graduates of 2010. New Mexico and surrounding states were hard-hit by
this national problem. One sign of this "softness" is that an Arizona law school held on-campus
interviews in New Mexico for Albuquerque firms to interview their students. Despite this, UNM
Law reported 91.3% of the Class of 2010 were employed, a statistically insignificant drop from the
2009 rate of 92, and still 4% higher than the national average.

UNM School of Law recognizes its unique place in the structure of the legal infrastructure of
New Mexico. Three years ago Assistant Dean for Career Services John Feldman decided that the
Law School needed to respond to repeated calls for action by the judiciary and bar groups to
meet the ever-growing unmet legal needs of New Mexicans. In response, UNM Law School now
offers Poverty Law in Practice, a class where law students can learn poverty law alongside
attorneys who can learn a discrete area of practice and immediately assist people in need. John
Feldman teaches the class with expert instructors from the poverty law bar. During the period of
July 1, 2010-June 2011, the CSSO held a number of large- and small-group workshops and
panels. Some dealt with career matters and others with academic success and professionalism.
The State Bar Young Lawyers Division/UNM Law School mentorship program included a professionalism session for students taught by John Feldman.

**CAREER MATTERS**

- Both Assistant Deans cut travel to conferences in order to provide students with funds to attend conferences, career fairs and other related activities, though Dean Stepleton arranged for travel to the 2011 National Conference of the Board of Bar Examiners meeting in Madison, Wisconsin to learn about proposed changes to the bar exam, and will attend the UNM Mentoring seminar, and Dean Feldman attended the 2011 NALP conference in Palm Springs, California and the ABA Dispute Resolution Section annual meeting in Denver, Colorado. The Career Services Office hopes that Nancy Huffstutler will attend a NALP conference in San Antonio, Texas in 2012.
- Both Assistant Deans assisted the student organization, The Association for Public Interest Law (APIL) in fundraising so that they could provide significant stipends to law students working for free or for very little in public interest jobs in the summer.
- Administered the Hugh Muir Oath Project for first year students.
- Counseled and advised all students who signed up for an externship placement. Assisted supervising attorneys to comply with externship supervision requirements under the NM Student practice rule. Arranged for distance learning for out of town externs in places such as Washington, D.C., rural New Mexico and other locations throughout the US.
- Advertised the Seth Montgomery Fellowship at the New Mexico Center on Law and Poverty. The CSSO held an information session for students to hear from the Center's legal director.
-Managed all aspects of On-Campus Interviews, from contacting and scheduling employers, to workshops for students, to arranging for interview dates, times and locations. In addition, this service of advertising postings, collecting applications and arranging for interviews on campus was provided for judges from the state Court of Appeals and Justices from the Supreme Court. Attorneys from firms were encouraged to hold information sessions about their communities and practice areas.
- Worked with the New Mexico Hispanic Bar Association to advertise scholarships, and book stipends.
- Held a seminar on applying for judicial clerkships featuring students who had successfully obtained federal clerkships for their post graduation jobs.
- In 2011, Dean Stepleton designed and taught a one-credit course for third year students, teaching the elements of the bar exam. Examples of academic support and success efforts by the CSSO included:
  - Free bar review supplemental class continued and was expanded. The course included essay exam taking strategies as well as daily essay exam practice. In addition, students were taught multiple choice test taking skills and skills needed to take the Multistate Performance Test. This contributed to an excellent bar passage rate for first time takers and for repeat takers. Other bar support activities included having several sessions on applying for and taking the New Mexico Bar exam, including representatives from the Board of Bar Commissioners. The CSSO continued to offer students assistance to obtain fingerprints for their application at the Law School. The CSSO, on behalf of the Dean, also offered coffee and food for those studying for the Bar.
• Academic support workshops were offered for current students on exam-taking techniques and case briefing and outlining. This included a session for first year students in advance of their taking practice exams and midterms.
• Assistant Dean Stepleton advocated for and enabled the continuation of having a part time English grammar and writing instructor who teaches a voluntary 8 week course in writing. Dean Stepleton continued coordination of the curriculum of this class with the Legal Writing supervising instructor. In addition, Dean Stepleton worked with the Dean for Academic Affairs to make this tutoring a part of the first year Practicum course.
• Training was continued for tutors working with first-year students, and tutor activities were monitored.
• Individual counseling and academic plans for students on probation continued.
• Continued work to make Law School accessible to students with disabilities including making graduation accessible for a student in a wheelchair.
• Work with faculty on formalizing academic success and support programs was continued.
• Assistant Dean Stepleton advocated for a formal review of the school’s Student Honor Code and Administration’s disciplinary and professionalism policies.

ON-GOING DUTIES
• Collecting and reporting data for the National Association for Law Placement, the American Bar Association, US News and World Reports, the Princeton Review, EqualJusticeWorks, and Hispanic Business Magazine.
• Interaction as requested by the Admissions Office with prospective students with career questions. Participation in Admissions Office open houses by putting on an hour long seminar to prospective applicants regarding the services of the Career and Student Services Office.
• Preparation of an annual budget.
• Administering various career fairs in which our students participate, including EqualJusticeWorks and Sunbelt.
• Assistance with recruitment efforts by military, as well as amelioration efforts by faculty and students.
• Support of 30 student organizations including helping with event planning, budgeting, meetings, dispute resolution and accounting.
• Coordinating activities of 8 moot court teams including assistance with travel, team selection and other logistics.

During the past year, the CSSO has had three full time staff members, and there has been a solidification of office duties. Coordinator Nancy Huffstutler took on additional responsibility for the administrative duties of the externship program by managing student time sheets, and all paperwork involved with registration and advertising opportunities.

Assistant Dean John Feldman continued to serve as the designee for the Dean on the committee of the New Mexico Department of Higher Education that administers the state Loan Repayment Assistance Plan for public interest lawyers. The LRAP provided assistance to public defenders, district attorneys and legal services lawyers. That state LRAP has proven to be a success for
recruitment and retention of new public service lawyers. He also served on various State Bar committees, and was active in supporting efforts of the State Bar to connect with law students. He participated in the Albuquerque Bar Association, and was the point of contact between the Albuquerque Chapter of American Inns of Court and the Law School. He participated as a member of the Inn and assisted the Inn incorporate students as members. He assisted with information gathering for the National Center for State Courts survey of Alternative Dispute Resolution, and will serve as the standing representative of UNM Law School on the Statewide ADR Commission created by the New Mexico Supreme Court. He also continued to administer the Law School’s internal writing award competitions, including collecting faculty-nominated papers and recruiting attorneys to serve as judges of the papers.

Assistant Dean Bonnie Stepleton continued to forge better working relationships with accessibility services at UNM to provide for the needs of students with physical and learning disabilities, meeting with students after their acceptance to help them from orientation forward. She also designed and managed orientation. She arranged for several students to have accommodations and met with all students on suspension. She was responsible for managing all aspects of Law School graduation. She worked with student groups on organizing, fund-raising and elections issues. She worked with various outside organizations, including the Women’s Bar Association and as a member of the NM Bar Committee on Law Office Management. She served on the Law School Academic Support Committee, helping the faculty to tackle issues of advisement and the structure of support programming.

John Feldman and Bonnie Stepleton have both worked at assisting students, staff and faculty with interpersonal, academic and workplace problems as brought to them by individuals, student organizations, or as assigned by the Dean. Both addressed accepted applicant and open house functions as requested by the office of Admissions.

Nancy Huffstutler handled a full annual cycle of on-campus interviews, judicial clerkship applications, mock interviews, and the State Bar Summer Program. This included handling of numerous calendars, arranging for space, assisting students and employers with recruitment, and she also posted information about jobs, fellowships and writing competitions. She assisted in the coordination of orientation, graduation, and the Honors and Awards ceremony. She has taken on significant additional responsibility of administering the externship program which includes managing and tracking student time sheets, written communication with participating employers and collection of evaluations. Ms. Huffstutler assists student organizations with food and other vendor orders.

**STUDENT HONORS AND AWARDS**

**INDIVIDUAL HONORS AND AWARDS**

**Judge Oliver Seth Award Recognizing Excellence in Alternative Dispute Resolution**

Recognizes a student for excellence in alternative dispute resolution.

Summer McKean
A.H. McLeod Award Recognizing Skill in Advocacy  
*Presented to a third-year student who has demonstrated interest and skill in advocacy.*  
D’Ontae Sylvertooth

Lewis R. Sutin Award Recognizing Excellence in Trial or Appellate Advocacy  
*This award is presented to an outstanding student in either trial or appellate advocacy, in honor of Judge Sutin, formerly of the New Mexico Court of Appeals.*  
Andrew Scholl

New Mexico Law Review Certificates  
*Awarded to graduating students who have met the requisite qualifications as stipulated in the UNM Course Catalog and School of Law Student Handbook.*  
Jennifer Duprez, Editor-in-Chief  
D’Ontae Sylvertooth, Editor-in-Chief  
Aaron Holloman, Managing Editor  
Eugenia C. Lindsey, Managing Editor  
Summer McKeen, Professional Articles Editor  
Ana Romero Jurisson, Professional Articles Editor  
Melanie Stambaugh, Professional Articles Editor  
Taina Colón, Student Articles Editor  
Tara Kinman, Student Articles Editor  
Andrew Scholl, Student Articles Editor  
Loren Foy, Manuscript Editor  
Heather Hansen, Manuscript Editor  
Jason Martinez, Manuscript Editor  
Mary McNally, Manuscript Editor  
Maria Padilla, Manuscript Editor  
Dean Palacios, Manuscript Editor

Wall Street Journal Award Recognizing Excellence in Corporate and Business Law  
Sebastian A. Dunlap

Frederick M. Hart Award Recognizing Excellence in Commercial Law  
Karen K. Summers

Tort Scholar Award Recognizing Excellence in Tort Law  
James Montalbano

Health Law Scholar Award Recognizing Excellence in Health Law  
Eugenia C. Lindsey

Mary Beth and W. Richard West, Jr. Award Recognizing Excellence in Indian Law  
Selesia Winston
Tribal Law Journal Certificates
Awarded to graduating students who have met the requisite qualifications as stipulated in the UNM Course Catalog and School of Law Student Handbook.
Selesia L. Winston, Managing Editor
Renee N. Ashley, Professional Articles Editor
Jonathan Polloni, Professional Articles Editor
Veronique Richardson, Professional Articles Editor
Emily N. Luke, Student Articles Editor
Heidi Macdonald, Student Articles Editor
Margarita L. Araiza, Senior Staff

Indian Law Certificates
Awarded to graduating students who have met the requisite qualifications as stipulated in the UNM Course Catalog and School of Law Student Handbook.
Margarita Lourdes Araiza
Renee Nizhoni Ashley
Richard J. Frias
Sherrie Lynn Harris
Emily Nicole Luke
Terrelene Gene Massey
Jonathan Polloni
Veronique Richardson
Selesia L. Winston

Professor Michael B. Browde Award Recognizing Excellence in Constitutional Law
Katherine M. Loewe

Atkinson & Kelsey Award Recognizing Excellence in Family Law
Margarita Araiza

Law Offices of Lynda Latta Award Recognizing Excellence in Family Law Advocacy
Maria Griego

Clinical Honors Award
Recognizing outstanding performance in the clinical program
Colby D. Bynum
Megan R. Devine
Megan E. Dorsey
Justin D. Goodman
Corinne L. Hale
Sherrie L. Harris
Alice P. Kilborn
Tara Kinman
Maggie H. Lane
Stephen R. Marshall
Maria I. Padilla
Paloma Romo
Andrew D. Scholl
Ethan D. Watson

Clinical Legal Education Association Outstanding Student Award
Recognizes a third year student who excelled in clinical legal education
Heather K. Hansen

American Bankruptcy Institute Medal Recognizing Excellence in Bankruptcy Law
Todd Olmos
Shayla Spolidoro

Hugh B. Muir Award Recognizing Excellence in Tax Law
In honor of Professor Muir, this award recognizes an outstanding third-year student who has excelled in tax law.
Sherri Treviño

Irwin Stern Moise Award Recognizing Excellence in Legal and Judicial Ethics
Loren Foy and Tara Kinman

Judge Oliver Seth Award Recognizing Excellence in Legal and Judicial Ethics
Stephen Marshall

ABA/BNA Award Recognizing Excellence in Intellectual Property Law
Dean Palacios

National Association of Women Lawyers Award
Presented to a third-year student for academic achievement, interest, and contribution to the advancement of women in society
Sarah Parks

Freedman, Boyd, Hollander, Goldberg, Ives and Duncan, P.A. Award Recognizing Excellence in Criminal Law
Taina Colón

Award Recognizing Excellence in International Law and Comparative Law
Gregory L. Cole

Albert E. Utton Natural Resources Law Award Recognizing Excellence in Natural Resources
Ashleigh Morris and John Verheul
Honorable Pete Domenici Award Recognizing Excellence in Environmental Law, Endowed by Paul Bohannon
Kristina Caffrey

Natural Resources Certificates
Awarded to graduating students who have met the requisite qualifications as stipulated in the UNM Course Catalog and School of Law Student Handbook.
Christopher N. Atencio
Anthony Burchell
Joshua R. Granata
Ashleigh G. Morris
John B. Verheul
Dominique Work

Natural Resources Journal Certificates
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Maggie Lane, Editor-in-Chief
Ashleigh Morris, Editor-in-Chief
Jennifer Salazar, Managing Editor
Lacy Daniels, Citations Editor
Sarah Parks, Citations Editor
Dominique Work, Citations Editor
Anthony Burchell, Manuscript Editor
Kristina Caffrey, Manuscript Editor
Genevieve Graham, Manuscript Editor
Dayan Hochman, Manuscript Editor
Stephen Marshall, Manuscript Editor
John Verheul, Manuscript Editor

Margaret Keiper Dailey Award
Recognizing a student who has demonstrated awareness of social problems, concern for people in trouble, and professional dedication to equal justice for all.
Jasmine McGee

LexisNexis Award Recognizing Highest Academic Achievement
First, second and third in class standing
Stephen Marshall
Andrew Scholl
Melanie Stambaugh

ALI/ABA Award Recognizing Excellence in Scholarship and Leadership
D’Ontae Sylvertooth
Jerrold L. Walden Memorial Award
Established as a memorial to Professor Walden, this award recognizes a student who has evidenced the qualities of heart that distinguished Professor Walden, a committed champion of human and civil rights who was particularly devoted to vindicating those rights for the least powerful.
Jennifer Salazar

Dean's Awards
Recognizing students who have made outstanding contributions to the Law School community
Jerry Archuleta
Sarah Blankenhorn
Lacy Daniel
Jennifer Duprez
Richard Frias
Taryn Kaselonis
Deborah Moore
Jessica Terrazas

Sheehan and Sheehan Pursuit of Excellence Award
Recognizes the student who has shown the greatest improvement in their GPA.
Darlene Weed

Faculty Award
Recognizes outstanding contributions to the Law School community by a student.
Corinne Hale

Raymond W. Schowers Writing Competition Award
Writing Competition
Eugenia Lindsey

Helen S. Carter Writing Competition Award
Writing Competition
Gregory Cole

Henry Kent Anderson Human Services Award
Awarded to an enrolled member of an American Indian Tribe whose work and deeds have demonstrated a concern for victims of societies' inequities.
Sherrie Harris

Association of Public Interest Law Summer Fellowship
Britt Baca-Hochhausler
Brianne Bigej
Barbara Ferry
Ernest Herrera
LeeAnne Kane
Amanda Lavin
Tyler McCormick
Rebecca Mnuk
Kevin Nault
Quiana Aurelia Salazar-King
Jonathan Turner

**Best Oral Advocate**
*Annual Animal Moot Court Competition at Harvard Law School*
Cristella Valdez

**Indian Law Section of the State Bar of New Mexico Bar Preparation Scholarship**
*Financial assistance is provided for preparation and taking the bar exam following graduation in the Spring.*
Veronique Richardson
Selesia Winston

**Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition Prize**
*The annual award is presented for the best paper written on a copyright law subject by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers.*
David Ferrance

**Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation Scholarship, Fall 2010**
The Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation is a collaborative educational nonprofit organization dedicated to the scholarly and practical study of the law and regulations relating to mining, oil and gas, water, public lands, land use, conservation, environmental protection and other related areas. Twenty scholarship recipients were chosen from the Foundation’s 30 governing law schools.
Anthony Burchell

**Tonali Legal Alliance of Women Scholarship**
Monica Davis
Tara Kinman

**Winner, 2011 New Mexico Court of Appeals Advocacy Tournament**
Joshua Curtis

**GROUP HONORS AND AWARDS**

*Trial Advocacy Mock Trial Team* (Frank Davis, Andy Scholl, Jessica Terrazas, Taylor Watrous): invited to compete in the National Institute for Trial Advocacy 2010 Tournament of Champions

*National Mock Trial Team* (Frank Davis, Amber Fayerberg, Taylor Watrous, Kaern Chase, Andy Scholl, D’Ontae Sylvvertough): Semi-final and final advancement, National Trial Competition
INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC LAW

The Institute of Public Law (IPL) within the University of New Mexico School of Law comprises four Centers of specialization: Rozier E. Sanchez Judicial Education Center; Corinne Wolfe Children's Law Center; Regulatory Programs and Training Center; and Utton Transboundary Resources Center. These Centers' FYII activities are summarized below followed by summaries of IPL's FYII personnel actions and sponsored research.

ROZIER E. SANCHEZ JUDICIAL EDUCATION CENTER

The Rozier E. Sanchez Judicial Education Center (JEC) was established by state statute to provide education and training to all New Mexico state, county and municipal judges and court staff.

JEC's FYII accomplishments included:

- Conducted 30 educational programs comprising 264 sessions for 1615 attendees with an overall evaluation rating of 93% based on usefulness of the program for the attendee's job, including:
  - Annual and regional conferences for judges and court staff throughout New Mexico on general and specialty topics, such as water law.
  - Regional seminars on DWI for judges, court staff, attorneys, law enforcement officers and community coordinators.
  - In-depth two-week orientation training for newly-elected Magistrate Judges.
  - Monthly video conferences for magistrate courts on key topics such as domestic violence, ethics, civil legal issues, warrant collections, rule changes, language access, jury issues, and court interpreters.
  - An intensive two-day Faculty Development course created by JEC to train judges and court staff on presentation methods and skills.
  - A four-day course in New Mexico by the National Judicial College on Impaired Driving Case Essentials for Magistrate Judges with credit toward NJC's Professional Certificate in Judicial Development.
  - A two-day course in New Mexico by the National Judicial College on Commercial Drivers Licenses for Magistrate and Municipal Judges with credit toward NJC's Professional Certificate in Judicial Development.
- Provided financial support for additional educational programs benefiting the New Mexico judiciary, including:
  - Children's Law Institute and other Children's Law Center judicial trainings.
  - National Judicial College quarterly webcasts.
  - Judicial Studies courses at Central New Mexico Community College attended online by court staff throughout New Mexico.
  - Out-of-state educational programs not offered in-state attended by 48 judges and court staff.
  - Justice System Language Access Specialist Certificate scholarships for court staff.
  - Odyssey statewide roll-out training travel costs for court staff and trainers.
  - Navajo Interpreter Certification program at the University of Arizona National Center for
Interpretation Testing, Research and Policy attended by individuals who commit to provide Navajo language interpreter services in New Mexico courts.

- Developed a new Family Law Manual for the New Mexico judiciary and continued to update and distributed numerous additional judicial benchbooks on high-priority topics such as DWI, domestic violence, sexual assault, traffic citations and judicial ethics.
- Redesigned and relaunched JEC’s comprehensive web site, http://jec.unm.edu/.

For FY12, JEC will continue to offer high-quality and relevant educational programming for the New Mexico judiciary, to develop additional resources including expanded online training, and to financially support related educational activities of significant value to judges and court staff.

JEC staff members continue to engage in ongoing skills training and professional development. Director Pam Lambert is a member of the Judicial Education and Training Advisory Committee and the Judicial Continuing Legal Education Committee. She became Interim Director of IPL on May 1, 2011 for 18 months while continuing to serve as JEC Director.

**CORINNE WOLFE CHILDREN’S LAW CENTER**
The Corinne Wolfe Children’s Law Center (CLC) provides training, education, and information services to judges, attorneys, and other professionals and volunteers who work with children and families in the abuse/neglect and juvenile justice legal systems.

Some of the highlights for the Children’s Law Center in FY11 were:

- Playing a lead role in the 2011 Children’s Law Institute, which drew nearly 850 participants from around the state.
- Conducting a day-long training program for state and tribal judges on managing cases involving juvenile sex offenses. A special grant from the State Justice Institute permitted the CLC to bring national experts from the Center for Sex Offender Management and the Center for Effective Public Policy to New Mexico for this program.
- Conducting cross-training programs around the state on safety assessment, management, and decision-making. These day-long programs were convened in nine of New Mexico’s thirteen judicial districts, with local and national experts serving as faculty. A collaboration among the Children’s Court Improvement Commission, the Children, Youth and Families Department, and the CLC, the programs brought together judges, attorneys, CYFD personnel, and CASA and CRB staff and volunteers handling abuse and neglect cases.
- Updating and delivering the core curriculum training for state and tribal judges and attorneys handling abuse and neglect cases. This “core training” is now offered annually, and is also available on-line, to ensure that all dependency court judges and practitioners receive this comprehensive introduction to child welfare law and practice.
- Piloting a mentoring program for attorneys new to the practice of child welfare that has since been modified and will be institutionalized as part of the CLC’s Court Improvement Project training grant activities.
- Creating an “ask-an-expert” program that enables counsel appointed to represent parents and children in child welfare cases to consult with medical, behavioral health, legal, and other
• Developing and updating resources for attorneys who represent children and parents in child welfare cases (such as written materials and CDs on important children’s law cases, forms for parents’ counsel, and Best Practices Bulletins), and maintaining active listservs for both groups of attorneys.

• Finalizing the fourth edition of the New Mexico Child Welfare Handbook, a legal manual on child abuse and neglect, which was published in September 2011.

• Publishing the New Mexico Juvenile Justice Handbook, a legal manual on delinquency for judges, attorneys and probation officers comparable to the Child Welfare Handbook. This Handbook was published in June 2011 and was made available to the public in a PDF that can be searched and downloaded from the CLC website.

• Finalizing a curriculum for juvenile justice professionals on ethics, juvenile rights and adolescent development.

• Partnering with the Children’s Law Section of the State Bar in sponsoring the annual Youth Art Contest for court-involved youth, and in hosting and taping noontime programs on topics of interest to Children’s Court practitioners and court staff. These videos are made available to New Mexico practitioners who are unable to attend the live programs.

• Providing technical assistance to attorneys who represent parents and children in abuse or neglect cases.

• Serving on the Children’s Court Improvement Commission and participating in and providing technical assistance to the Quality of Advocacy Committee, CYFD’s Piñon Project Advisory Group, the Tribal-State Judicial Consortium, and an ad hoc committee to revise the New Mexico Children’s Code.

As noted in last year’s report, the CLC’s appropriated funding has decreased substantially (approximately 50%) over the last three years. In part as a result of these cuts, the Center has reduced its full-time legal staff to only 1 attorney, is readjusting its delivery of services, is working to reduce the costs of existing services, and is devoting more and more of its time, not to delivery of services, but to raising the funds to provide services.

Judy Flynn-O’Brien, CLC’s Director until the end of January 2011, served as the Chair of the Children’s Court Rules Committee from 2006 until her retirement. Appointed by the Supreme Court, she guided the committee through a number of major revisions to the rules. As CLC Director, Ms. Flynn-O’Brien also served on the Supreme Court’s Children’s Court Improvement Commission, an interdisciplinary body tasked with making recommendations and engaging in initiatives to improve the court system in foster care cases.

Upon Ms. Flynn-O’Brien’s retirement, CLC’s Senior Attorney, Beth Gillia, became the Director of CLC and has assumed CLC’s seat on the Children’s Court Improvement Commission. In addition, Ms. Gillia chairs the Children’s Law Section of the State Bar of New Mexico, volunteers as a judge in teen court in Valencia County, and serves on CNM’s Paralegal Studies Advisory Board. In June 2011, Ms. Gillia helped the Tribal-State Judicial Consortium develop the concept and program for its summer regional meetings, which focused on the rights of
incarcerated parents of Indian Children, by identifying topics, speakers, and themes for these programs. Although outside of the reporting period, Ms. Gillia also presented on the Indian Welfare Act at these two regional meetings.

**REGULATORY PROGRAMS AND TRAINING CENTER**

The Regulatory Programs and Training Center (RPTC) encompasses the programs of several previously separate programs and centers at IPL. The work of the Transportation Safety Center Education Unit, Traffic Safety Law Licensing Program, Government Law Center, Center for Wildlife Law and various training and public policy projects were merged into the RPTC as of May 1, 2011 under the leadership of Susan George, Center Director/Senior Attorney.

**Transportation/Traffic Safety Education and Licensing:**

IPL continued its long-standing relationship with the New Mexico Department of Transportation through contracts with the Aviation Division and Traffic Safety Bureau (TSB). Staff produced three quarterly newsletters of the *Traffic Safety News* and *AlcoEdu*, numerous printed brochures and materials, and conducted law-related research. The focus of one of the newsletters was curbing underage drinking in New Mexico, which was mailed to all elementary and secondary education public schools in the state. IPL also assisted in the development and facilitation of meetings and conferences for a variety of audiences, including DWI school instructors, driver safety instructors, and new and returning driver education instructors, with classes held throughout the year. In one recertification class, UNM SOL Professor Leo Romero gave a presentation about a recent DWI case in New Mexico. In addition, staff attended DWI Day at the legislature, reported on significant legislative changes, and hosted a DWI Leadership meeting in Santa Fe. IPL also entered into a contract with the New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) to work on the development of a training curriculum and related documents to assist MVD in offering standardized testing services around the state.

Licensing staff continued their regulatory work for TSB, overseeing the DWI, driving safety, and driver education programs in the state. Staff reviewed and processed 139 DWI and driving safety and 184 driver education applications for licensure and certification, including original and renewal applications, along with 462 requests from parents for student participation in correspondence driver education programs. As a result, approximately 6,700 New Mexico residents participated in state-approved for-profit driver education training statewide, along with over 16,500 residents participating in state-approved traffic school training. Staff also conducted quality assurance monitor visits and submitted 202 site visit reports evaluating traffic safety school programs and instructors, and successfully represented TSB in an administrative proceeding brought against a driver education school, resulting in a favorable settlement which brought the school into compliance with legal standards for licensure and certification.

The transportation and traffic safety programs and staff were transferred to the UNM Division of Continuing Education in the Fall of 2011.
Rulemaking:
As part of the Environment Department’s multi-year effort to completely update and revise all regulations governing petroleum storage tanks, IPL continued its work with the Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau (PSTB) to draft, review and amend an array of rules governing that field. IPL also assisted PSTB in preparing for and staffing multiple stakeholder meetings throughout the state, a precursor to a rulemaking hearing before the Environmental Improvement Board in October 2011.

IPL staff also performed similar rulemaking work for TSB, continuing a multi-year effort to update and amend the ignition interlock program rule and the driving school rules for driver education, driving safety and DWI schools.

IPL will be undertaking a rulemaking project with the New Mexico Department of Transportation beginning in August of 2011 to revise the state’s electronic billboard rules.

Wildlife Law and Civics Education:
The Center for Wildlife Law published the *Wildlife Law News Quarterly* for its 18th year, along with the weekly online “Wildlife Law News Weekly Alerts,” providing the latest updates on case law, major policy developments, attorney general opinions, and regulations that affect wildlife, habitat and climate change impacts and adaptation.

Wild Friends, an award-winning civics education program since 1991, continued its work with students in grades 4-12 to help them understand the democratic process, develop good citizenship skills, and contribute to wildlife conservation by involving them in public policy projects of their own choosing. Wild Friends students chose the topic of wildlife corridors for their 2011 legislation, which was sponsored by Rep. Mimi Stewart and many other co-sponsors. HJM 10 was passed unanimously by both chambers. Approximately 500 students from around the state participated in classroom learning, letter-writing to their legislators, and field trips to the Capitol to meet legislators. Several students, including a second-year UNM SOL student who externed with Wild Friends, testified in House and Senate committee hearings.

The Wild Friends Program also received funding for the second year of its two-year grant from the Western Conservation Foundation to work with students in Southern New Mexico. Students from an elementary, mid and high school in Silver City continued their work on the impacts of climate change, and the importance of habitat protection. In May 2011, the students wrote and helped to successfully pass a resolution before the Grant County Commission urging Congress to support full funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund. In addition, the students received a letter praising their efforts from Sen. Tom Udall.

Although the Center for Wildlife Law officially closed its doors on July 31, 2011 due to a lack of funding, the Wild Friends Program will continue under the RPTC.
Public Health Law:
The Public Health Law Network (to be renamed The Network for Public Health in mid-October 2011) is an initiative of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Organized into 5 regions, the Network connects and serves individuals and organizations nationally through technical assistance, training and other activities. The Network’s Western Region is co-located at the Arizona State University Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law in Tempe, Arizona, and the University of New Mexico School of Law, Institute of Public Law.

Since the roll-out of the Network on September 20, 2010, the Western Region has received over 130 technical assistance requests. Technical assistance is provided through telephone consultations, written memos, and in-person trainings. For example, IPL staff members have provided technical assistance to tribal entities seeking more information on how the law can be used as a tool to enhance the public’s health, and an IPL attorney will teach a series of Public Health Law Seminars for 4th Year UNM School of Medicine students in the Fall of 2011.

General Training and Public Policy Projects:
IPL continued to engage in a number of general educational and public policy-related projects. With funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs through the American Indian Law Center, IPL provided assistance in developing tribal court trainings and online resources. The Florida Office of Court Improvement contracted with IPL to adapt JEC’s virtual trial on domestic violence to Florida law and procedure and to develop additional online trainings for the Florida courts. Legal Momentum contracted with IPL to maintain and add resources to its national educational Intimate Partner Sexual Abuse website. The Kettering Foundation funded IPL to assist in planning, developing and implementing the public deliberative process in New Mexico based on the National Issues Forum approach.

**Utton Transboundary Resources Center**
The Utton Transboundary Resources Center supports collaborative natural resource management using multidisciplinary expertise and inclusive, diverse stakeholder involvement. The Utton Center was established to honor and carry on the work of the late Professor Albert E. Utton, a visionary man of diplomacy and scholarship. The Utton Center concerns itself with all natural resources; however, due to the legacy of Al Utton, the expertise of its staff, and the pressing nature of water issues in the Southwest, the Utton Center is currently focused on water issues.

**Significant FY11 Projects and Activities**

**New Mexico Water Law & Policy**
- *Environmental Flows in New Mexico*
  The Utton Center published proceedings of the Environmental Flows workshop (organized by the Center, and held in March 2010). The proceedings were widely distributed and posted to the Center’s website. The proceedings include policy recommendations to be used to support legislation or administrative action in protecting New Mexico’s rivers.
- *Land and Water Connection*
  The Utton Center, with a broad group of experts, conducted research and facilitated discussion regarding the nexus between land use and the availability of water. This work
effort involves proposals to strengthen state and local legislative policy. Susan Kelly, the then director, spoke on this topic in several venues:

- Regional Planning meeting at the Sevilleta (September 16, 2010)
- NM Interim Water and Natural Resources Committee (October 18, 2010)
- Water Law class (October 20, 2010)
- Espanola Basin Regional Issues forum (October 21, 2010)
- KUNM (Arcie Chapa) show on January 6, 2011
- NM Water Dialogue annual meeting (January 13, 2011)
- Land and Water Conference (April 8, 2011)
- Community and Regional Planning class (April 19, 2011)

The Land and Water Connection work resulted in an important conference held in Albuquerque in April 2011. The Director, working with law student Louise Pocock and the team of experts, organized, a seminar, “Integrating Land Use and Water Planning In New Mexico” attended by more than 125 land use planners, water resource professionals, representatives of the development community, environmental and community groups and other interested people. They examined ways to better integrate local, state and regional water plans with local land use plans to support the sustainability of communities, protect the environment and ensure economic vitality. Ideas for potential changes to planning processes to improve land use and water resource integration were discussed. The final publication resulting from the Land and Water work effort will be published in FY 2012.

- Water Matters!
The Utton Center compiles informative articles on a variety of New Mexico water law topics as a primer and quick reference for state legislators. The articles and maps are concise, yet illustrate the varying perspectives on New Mexico’s water challenges, ranging from urban supply and demand to the issues facing rural New Mexico. The Utton Center expects to continue to update and supplement this volume with new material this informative primer on current water issues each year. This workbook was first prepared for the New Mexico State Legislature in 2007. The first edition highlighted the many contributions to New Mexico water issues of Joe M Stell, who had retired after 20 years in the New Mexico House of Representatives. New articles were added in FY 2011 covering New Mexico’s Reservoirs, Water for NM’s rivers, Water Quality, and Water Conservation. Most of the existing articles were updated. The 2011 edition was in a new, somewhat experimental format. Because Water Matters! is an ever-expanding volume, it became clear that we needed to change the format to reduce what is printed each year. Only the new articles, maps, and abstracts of previously published articles are printed. The other articles are on-line. Our goal is to continually update the booklet so that the information is always current.

Electronic versions of the entire Water Matters! Publication, plus each of the individual articles, are available on our website at http://uttoncenter.unm.edu/Water_Matters!.html. Three hundred copies of the January 2011 edition were distributed to state legislators and other officials. The 2011 publication is available for review at http://uttoncenter.unm.edu/Water_Matters!.html.
• **Book Chapter on Water Rates**
  Director Susan Kelly collaborated with J. Thomas McGuckin and Kyle Harwood to write a chapter titled *The Pricing and Conservation of Water in Urban Areas* which will be included in a book, New Mexico Water Policy and Management Issues: Science, Modeling, Institutions and the Future to be published by RFF Press and edited by UNM Professor David Brookshire and others. The focus of the chapter is on the effect of water rates as an incentive for water conservation in New Mexico cities.

• **Expertise and Outreach**
  The Utton Center assists in a broad array of projects concerning water and natural resources policy. The Utton Center conducts research and writing and makes presentations on water and natural resource issues, serving as a resource for elected officials, water managers, scientists, the media, faculty, students and many other people. These activities are representative of the broad services provided by the Utton Center which help promote understanding of legal and long-term sustainability issues.

• **Coordination with University Programs**
  Throughout the reporting year, Utton Center staff attorneys coordinate programs and teach classes upon request for the UNM Water Resources Program and the Natural Resource Program at the School of Law. We attend meetings and engage in planning for both programs. We mentor students, guide their research, and employ student researchers. We provide material for the School of Law web page and publications.

• **Website**
  The Utton Center maintains a website at [http://uttoncenter.unm.edu](http://uttoncenter.unm.edu) which contains documentation of current initiatives and projects, past projects, conference proceedings, and resource links.

**New Mexico Public Outreach**

• **The Ombudsman Program** is one of the Utton Center’s significant programs. This Program provides water rights information and procedural guidance to unrepresented people involved in any of the twelve active adjudications in New Mexico. Over the previous year, the Program:
  - Participated in public outreach meetings for the Navajo Nation as well as spoke with 200-300 individuals seeking guidance on a Notice of Intent to Participate process initiated by the Court.
  - Prepared a packet of forms and explanatory materials for unrepresented persons in the Lower Rio Grande who wanted to reopen the Court’s order on their water right. Facilitated the subfile process where unrepresented persons could not be found by the court and the Office of the State Engineer; or objected to their water right offer; or requested mediation.
  - Conducted public meetings in the Aamodt case concerning the Aamodt Indian Water Rights Settlement, which was signed by the President in late 2010. Attended acequia and homeowners association annual meetings to explain the Indian water rights settlement.
National Projects

- **River Restoration (US Bureau of Reclamation project)**
  The Center, in cooperation with Professor Denise Fort, successfully proposed to undertake a project regarding governance of river restoration programs. This was a major work effort in FY 2011. In February 2011, a planning meeting with Reclamation was held in Albuquerque and the planning progressed steadily from that time, with regular conference calls and development of the program, speaker arrangements, Reclamation report on the programs, development of a website, hotel logistics, a complex process for inviting participants, etc. The well-acclaimed conference and subsequent report on this project were completed in FY 2012.

International Projects

- **Presentations to International Delegations**
  The Director made several presentations on water issues to several international delegations of experts from around the world who were visiting New Mexico on learning tours:
  - South Africans (September 15, 2010)
  - Columbians (May 5, 2011)
  Significant planning and preparation for a delegation from China occurred in FY 2011, but the event was cancelled by the organizers at the last minute.

- **Border Governors Water Work Table**
  The Border Governor's meeting, normally held in August 2010, was cancelled. The Director continued to assist in coordinating as needed between the Water Table and the Interstate Stream Commission, but due to staffing cutbacks and changes at both the state and university levels, withdrew from this work effort in the Spring of 2011.

- **New Mexico/Chihuahua Commission**
  Due to funding limitations and continuing difficulties with travel due to the border violence, the activities of the Table were very limited. Due to organizational changes at the state and at the Center, the Director withdrew from this program in the Spring of 2011.

- **Universities Partnership for Transboundary Waters**
  The Utton Center continues to be a member of this international consortium of universities, providing training to stakeholders regarding transboundary management issues.

Middle Rio Grande Basin Projects

- **Middle Rio Grande Endangered Species Act Collaborative Program**
  In conjunction with the Director of UNM’s Water Resources Program, Director Susan Kelly represented the University of New Mexico on the Executive Committee and the Coordinating Committee of this Program. The Program is made up of representatives of federal, state, tribal and other interest groups. It is intended to address water supply, science, and habitat restoration in the Middle Rio Grande so that progress can be made in the recovery of endangered species while not impairing water rights and use. The Utton Center’s role is to involve UNM faculty in the Program and provide a neutral position in the decision-making process. The Director withdrew from this process in the Spring of 2011.
Utton Center Advisory Board and Proposed Legislation
The Utton Center has a distinguished advisory board, consisting of about 40 premier natural resource scholars from academic institutions in the United States, New Mexico attorneys, experts in water law and policy, and international scholars. The list is available at http://uttoncenter.unm.edu/pdfs/UC_Advisory_2010.pdf. In the Fall of 2010, the Director convened the Executive Committee of the advisory board. At that time, there was a proposal to submit a statute to create the Utton Center under state law. The Director spent significant time in coordinating the wording of the statute with UNM's lobbying team, the advisory board, and other constituencies. The Director presented this bill to the legislative committee on November 30, 2011. Ultimately, the Board chose to withdraw the statute during the 2011 session of the legislature.

External funding
The Utton Center submitted a successful proposal to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for a project concerning Ecosystem Restoration. The Center collaborated with UNM School of Law Professor Denise Fort on this proposal and the Director, Susan Kelly, spent significant time in FY 2011 on the project. In February 2011, a planning meeting with Reclamation was held in Albuquerque and the planning progressed steadily from that time. The conference and report on it occurred later than this reporting year.

Significant Plans for FY12
The Center is pursuing funding from federal agencies and private foundations to support program work in the areas of governance, energy and water, environmental flows, and other natural resources area. An expansion item has been included in the University's budget request to the state legislature.

Water Matters is being updated, new articles are being added, and the publication will be made more accessible through search engines.

The Center will take on support of the Natural Resources Program of the Law School, providing administrative support to the committee, and events for students and faculty.

- Water Portal
  The Ombudsman Program, with the UNM Centennial Library of Engineering and Science, is working on a web-based water rights portal that will help New Mexicans identify their water rights and access water right information from the Office of the State Engineer. The Aamodt or Rio Pojoaque has been identified for the pilot project. The Program and Library are actively seeking grant funding for this project.
- American Indian Water Settlement E-Repository
  The Ombudsman Program, the American Indian Law Center and the University of Idaho are collaborating on developing an E-Repository at UNM Libraries for documents related to Indian Water Rights Settlements. The documents will be available through either a web search engine or through a Google map platform which allows searching by watershed, state or tribe.
Appointments/Separations of Faculty/Staff
The Utton Center became a part of the School of Law’s Institute for Public Law on July 1, 2010. Due to funding constraints, the Center was without a Program Coordinator throughout the fiscal year. IPL has assumed some of the financial aspects this lack of staffing has created. Tracey Kincaid has assumed the bookkeeping and events coordination duties of this position, as well as various general duties being shared among other IPL staff when needed. Susan Kelly was appointed internal director of the Center on July 1, 2010. Torild Kristiansen, Administrative Assistant, retired in the Spring of 2011. Susan Kelly announced her intention to step down as director and move to a part-time position with the Center effective July 1, 2011. Professor Denise Fort was appointed director of the Center effective July 1, 2011.

Publications of the Utton Center
• New Mexico Environmental Flows (March 2011)
• Water Matters! Background on Selected Water Issues for Members of the 50th New Mexico Legislature 1st Session - 2011.
• Booklet for Land and Water conference (April 2011)

Outside Professional Activities of Faculty/Staff
Susan Kelly is an attorney and active in several professional organizations, including a member of the New Mexico State Bar, American Planning Association, American Institute of Certified Planners, American Water Resources Association, and Urban Land Institute. She is a member of the Water Quality Protection Advisory Board for Bernalillo County.

Darcy S. Bushnell, Program Director, Joe M Stell Water Ombudsman Program, is an attorney and a member of the New Mexico State Bar Association. She participates in the Natural Resources Committee, the Art Committee and the Grants and Contracts Committee.

IPL PERSONNEL ACTIONS
New Hires
• 1 Computing Services Manager: John Brandt on 7/26/10
• 1 Senior Attorney: Cliff Rees on 9/20/10 (on-call, named in contract)
• 1 Senior Attorney: Judy Flynn-O’Brien on 2/21/11 (on-call, post-retirement)
• 1 Administrative Asst. 3: Torild Kristiansen on 3/14/11 (on-call, post-retirement)

Promotions
• Marian Chavez, from Events Planner to Operations Specialist on 9/11/10
• Pamela Lambert, from IPL Assoc. Director to IPL Interim Director on 5/01/11

Reclassifications
• Patricia Otero, from Admin. Asst. 3 to Sr. Fiscal Svcs. Tech on 11/20/10
Separations

- IPL Associate Director Judy Flynn-O'Brien retired on 1/31/11
- Administrative Asst. Torild Kristiansen retired on 2/28/11
- Program Manager Carolyn Byers retired on 3/31/11
- IPL Director Paul Biderman retired on 4/30/11

**IPL Sponsored Research Funding**

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**Institute of Public Law Contract and Grant Report for FY2011**

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<td>Florida Office of Court Improvement (FOCI-DVT2 838177) Phase II of creation of</td>
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<td>Domestic Violence Virtual web application for the State of Florida, derived from the NM JEC domestic violence virtual trial.</td>
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<td>Florida Office of Court Improvement (FOCI-WEB 838190) Create web based trainings</td>
<td>$20,950</td>
<td>$20,936</td>
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<td>for Florida judges derived from the NM JEC domestic violence virtual trial.</td>
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<td>Humane Society of the United States (HS01-WLN 838081) Support development of</td>
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<td>Wildlife Laws Newsletter.</td>
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<td>Kettering Foundation (KET-NIF 838178) Assist the Kettering Foundation in planning,</td>
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<td>development and implementation of the public deliberative practice using the National Issues Forums process.</td>
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<td>Kettering Foundation (KET-PC2 838048) Attend two Kettering Foundation Workshops in</td>
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<td>Dayton, Ohio on use of the National Issues Forums process, and provide a research report on various relevant issues in NM region.</td>
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<td>Legal Momentum (LM-MINN-U5 838048) Add educational and reference materials specific</td>
<td>$3,000</td>
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<td>5/1/10 - 6/30/11</td>
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<td>to the State of Minnesota to the Intimate Partner Sexual Abuse national web-based judicial education program hosted by Legal Momentum, Inc. in New York.</td>
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<td>Legal Momentum (LM-WEB-U5 2011 838048) Maintain website entitled &quot;Intimate Partner</td>
<td>$2,350</td>
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## Placement and Project Description

### Legal Momentum (LM-WEB-US 2012 838048)
Maintain website entitled "Intimate Partner Sexual Abuse" through 4/30/12.

### NM Community Foundation (FND-WF-NMCF 838174)
Support of Promoting Civic Engagement in Southern NM through Wildlife Conservation through the Wild Friends program.

### NMDOT-Aviation Division (Aviation-NL/MC 838179)
Develop quarterly NM Aviation newsletter for the public and purchase conference handouts.

### NMDOT-Traffic Safety Bureau (TSBD-DWI 838170)
Forums and Meetings: Plan and coordinate Governor’s Research Forums on DWI for the public and DWI Leadership meetings.

### NMDOT-Traffic Safety Bureau (TSBD-DWI 838185)
Forums and Meetings: Plan and coordinate Governor’s Research Forums on DWI for the public and DWI Leadership meetings.

### NMDOT-Traffic Safety Bureau (TSBF-TRIM 838168)
Traffic Safety Reporting: Update and distribute materials, pamphlets and posters for the public.

#### Newsletters:
Create and produce the Traffic Safety Newsletter and the DWI Education Newsletter for public education.

### NMDOT-Traffic Safety Bureau (TSBF-TRIM 838184)
Traffic Safety Reporting: Update and distribute materials, pamphlets and posters for the public.

#### Newsletters:
Create and produce the Traffic Safety Newsletter and the DWI Education Newsletter for public education.

### NMDOT-Traffic Safety Bureau (TSBS-STATE 838160)
Licensing Programs: License driver education schools through a comprehensive application and review process. Represent TSB in administrative and judicial proceedings pursuant to the Uniform Licensing Act. Conduct monitoring of the ignition interlock and driver education schools and instructors to ensure compliance with rules and regulations.

#### Instructor Training Programs:
Plan and coordinate training sessions for new DWI School facilitators and Driver Education instructors. Develop and distribute traffic safety material for the public as requested.

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<td>$1,489,880</td>
<td>$162,500</td>
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<td><strong>NMDOT-Traffic Safety Bureau (TSBS-STATE 838182)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Licensing Programs: License driver education schools through a comprehensive application and review process. Represent TS in administrative and judicial proceedings pursuant to the Uniform Licensing Act. Conduct monitoring of the ignition interlock and driver education schools and instructors to ensure compliance with rules and regulations.&lt;br&gt;Instructor Training Programs: Plan and coordinate training sessions for new DWI School facilitators and Driver Education instructors. Develop and distribute traffic safety material for the public as requested.</td>
<td>$650,000</td>
<td>$496,798</td>
<td>10/1/10 - 9/30/11</td>
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<td><strong>NM Environment Department (ENV-PST 838136)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Revise underground storage tank rules and regulations.</td>
<td>$286,000</td>
<td>$61,989</td>
<td>5/1/07 - 4/30/11</td>
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<td><strong>NM Environment Department (ENV-PST 838191)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Revise underground storage tank rules and regulations.</td>
<td>$50,000</td>
<td>$21,825</td>
<td>5/1/11 - 4/30/12</td>
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<td><strong>NM Game and Fish Department (NMGF-OHV-US 838048)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Develop brochures to inform the public of OHV laws and safety information.</td>
<td>$4,900</td>
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<td>9/1/10 - 6/30/11</td>
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<td><strong>NM Tax &amp; Rev-Motor Vehicle Division (MVD-QASV/TEST 838189)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Develop a road testing curriculum to train MVD employees on proper procedures; and develop a quality assurance site visit program for MVD field offices.</td>
<td>$90,000</td>
<td>$32,074</td>
<td>11/15/10 - 6/30/11</td>
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<td><strong>Public Interest Research Group (PIRG 838048)</strong>&lt;br&gt;UNM student fees awarded to IPL to subgrant to NMPIRG to run a student-directed NMPIRG chapter at UNM for FY2011.</td>
<td>$47,100</td>
<td>$47,100</td>
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<td><strong>Third Judicial District Court (JD3-FLM 838172)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Subcontract from the State Justice Institute. Develop Family Law Manual for NM.</td>
<td>$20,000</td>
<td>$6,455</td>
<td>8/1/09 - 2/1/11</td>
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<td><strong>UTTON CENTER</strong>&lt;br&gt;Bureau of Reclamation (BOR-IAAER 588644)&lt;br&gt;Develop workshop on the scope and status of federal aquatic ecosystem restoration activities.</td>
<td>$118,980</td>
<td>$20,114</td>
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<td><strong>McCune Foundation (CC-MDCWA 588198)</strong>&lt;br&gt;Support for Utton Center Ombudsman activities.</td>
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DEVELOPMENT & ALUMNI AFFAIRS

2010-2011 marked the Law School’s 60th anniversary of its first graduating class and ushered in the completion of the multi-faceted and celebratory 60 for 60 Project, one year in the making.

Following numerous nominations and a review process spanning four months, the project’s Chairs and Advisory Committee members spent months developing the book’s content and strategy for its unveiling and its large public event. The Chairs and Committee selected a diverse sampling of entries and content comprised of individuals, programs, cases and achievements that have played a critical role in improving or furthering legal education or the legal profession in NM since 1950. The 60 for 60 Book and the 60 for 60 Celebration honored these legacies.

Nearly 800 members and friends of the University of New Mexico School of Law community packed the school’s Forum on Nov. 12, 2010 to help launch 60 For 60: Shaping Law In New Mexico Since 1950. Alumni from those first 60 years mixed with sponsors, faculty, staff and students at the spirited November celebration. Offering a few memorable anecdotes from their years at the school were U.S. Sen. Tom Udall (’77), Anne Bingaman, wife of U.S. Sen. Jeff Bingaman, who was the school’s first woman professor; Tom Olson (’73) and Mike Hart (’88). Current students Corrine Hale (’11), president of the Student Bar Association, and Lucas Conley (’13) shared what it is like to be a UNM law student today.

Nearly $40,000 was raised in event sponsorships from 34 individual and firm sponsors for this cost-free event. The commemorative celebration and book launch culminated this year-long strategic development, alumni relations and alumni and donor stewardship project.

The 17th annual Distinguished Achievement Awards Dinner, co-hosted by the Law School and the Alumni Board, was postponed to FY 2011-12 to allow 60 for 60 to enjoy a great success.

The Alumni Association’s 9th annual Summer Golf Classic was moved to August (falling in FY 2011-2012 and to be reported on in that year’s forthcoming report) and relocated to the UNM Championship Golf Course. The Annual Golf Tournament would again have the goal of attracting the largest number of participants and sponsors in its history and the largest amount ever raised by this tournament in support of raising $50,000 in full tuition student scholarships.

Funds raised from these alumni and donor prospect cultivation events above are used specifically for critical needs in student support and to meet the Law School’s most pressing needs, continuing to be the Dean’s top development priorities, and serve to fund both General Scholarship support, the Dean’s Fund and two Alumni Association Board 3 year full tuition merit scholarships. The goal, set last year, to provide a second Alumni Association Board scholarship was achieved. Achieving and adding a third, for an annual merit scholarship support total of $45,000, is a goal that has been set for next year. These scholarships are the School of Law’s only full-tuition merit scholarships for attracting and retaining the most promising law students.
MAJOR GIFT FUNDRAISING & CAMPAIGNS

During FY 2010-2011, the School of Law raised just under $1.2M within six months of dedicated major gift fundraising, or approximately 90% of the $1.3M twelve-month goal. Six months of the year was dedicated entirely to the production of the 60 for 60 project's planning and launch, and this was a cost-free event for attendees.

The top two fundraising priorities set by the Dean for the fiscal year included the Dean's Fund, the total raised in the period reaching $352,115.00; and the General Scholarship Fund for which a total of $33,032.00 in new support was raised.

The Law School participated in the University Campaign - Changing Worlds – which spans 8 years and has a $675M University-wide goal. As of the end of the FY, July 20, 2011, $406M has been raised in the university-wide campaign focus areas of Student Success and Opportunity; Faculty Support & Research; Campus programs and Capital Projects & Facilities, with the support of the UNM Foundation and the Dean.

At the Law School, 2011 began preparations for the Frederick M. & Joan M. Hart Opportunity Scholarship Fund campaign continuing through 2013 in support of students interested in the study of law and pursuit of a legal career who otherwise would be wholly unable to do so; a campaign goal of $1M has been set.

December through July focused a high level of engagement across many cross sections of prospects and donors, culminating in thousands of year-end asks, some generic, some highly tailored; a steady and significant increase in year-end giving in FY 09, 10 and 11.

In addition, the fundraising campaign for the Hart Chair in Consumer & Clinical Law was completed. The full $1.5M to establish the Chair was raised, and the Chair is slated to be filled in the Fall of 2011.

Other major gift fundraising accomplishments include remarkable stewardship efforts resulting in the doubling of the cross-unit estate gift started in the prior year and initially set at $1M, ultimately totaling nearly $2,400,000.00 with unrestricted portions going to the School of Law, the College of Fine Arts, the School of Engineering and the School of Architecture and Planning, as arranged with the donor by the Sr. Director of Development for the School of Law.

Additional commitments in scholarship support as one of the Dean's top two priorities for fundraising include establishing two new named student scholarship endowments, one for interest in Natural Resources Law, the $15,000 endowment minimum reached in the period; and one for Labor Law, a $50,000 pledge executed for a $5,000 scholarship annually for the next ten years but to continue in perpetuity or until unable to fund. Additionally, a $15,000 lead gift on the Vollmann Memorial Scholarship was secured; a $25,000 pledge for the lead gift on a new student scholarship endowment named for a Law School graduating class; and in Faculty Support, a $50,000 outright gift to an established faculty support fund was closed.
OTHER
School of Law Class Reunions were held over the Summer and will continue through the Fall and include a number of graduation years - 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006. All classes were provided a newly developed multi-faceted online reunion class event and class gifts planning tool for the first time. Multiple classes participated in raising annual class gifts for multiple designations and each of the class reunions were held at different venues attended by the Dean and faculty. We increased communications, support and resources and, like the golf tournament, an exceptional turn out at each class reunion, larger than ever before in each case, has been achieved.

STAFFING RECOMMENDATIONS
As planned an Alumni Relations/Development Operations Manager was added allowing for a marked improvement in donor and alumni communications, services and support and providing dedicated support of increased connectivity and higher engagement and volunteerism of the Alumni Board. An Events Manager and a .75 to full-time Marketing/Communications staff person are still much needed additions in order to continue our upward trends, to add more programming and sustain and increase our development momentum. In the FY 10-11, in addition to directing and supporting all major and annual gifts solicitations, stewardship and recognitions, the Sr. Director of Development and the Development Coordinator carried out all of the numerous additional alumni relations, events, communications and marketing undertakings and responsibilities on a day-to-day basis.

JUDICIAL SELECTION
During the 2010-2011 fiscal year, seven (7) judicial vacancies were filled through the judicial selection process. The Judicial Selection Office at the UNM School of Law convened five (5) Judicial Nominating Commissions to recommend nominees to the Governor to fill the vacancies. The chart below shows the dates of the Commission meetings, and the persons appointed by the Governor:

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<td>6/29/11</td>
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<td>J. Miles Hanisee</td>
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*1 applicant withdrew before being interviewed by the Commission.
The Dean of the School of Law, as Chair of the Judicial Nominating Commissions, performed the following duties in carrying out the constitutional responsibilities charged to the Chair:

- Advertised vacancies, Commission meetings, applicant lists and nominee lists;
- Solicited and reviewed applications;
- Duplicated and distributed applications to Commissioners;
- Communicated with Disciplinary Counsel regarding disciplinary history of applicants;
- Convened and Chaired the Commission meetings; and
- Carried out the various Commissions’ decisions by drafting and adopting new rules, and forwarding the names of recommended nominees to the Governor.
- Provided general oversight as staff received and responded to 20 records and information requests related to past and current Judicial Nominating Commissions.

**JUDICIAL COMPENSATION COMMISSION**

During the 2010-11 fiscal year, the Dean met his statutory responsibility to chair the state’s Judicial Compensation Commission which annually makes a recommendation to the Legislature on salaries for state court judges. This year the Dean worked harder to inform the Legislature and the Judiciary about the recommendations. The Commission completed its report in a timely way and the Dean consulted with judges and lawyers around the state on the need for salary increases. The Dean also testified before an interim committee of the Legislature, the Legislative Finance Committee on the Commission’s recommendation. One of the Commission’s recommendations (on proper funding of the Judicial Retirement System) was adopted by the Legislature, but vetoed by the Governor.

**FACULTY HONORS AND AWARDS**

As detailed below, during the 2010-10 fiscal year, members of the faculty of the School of Law were widely recognized for their scholarship, service and expertise.

**INDIVIDUAL HONORS AND AWARDS**

*Professor Marsha Baum:* presented a paper, titled *Property Status & Treatment of Animals: Impact of Law on Non-human Animals in US Society,* at the annual meeting of the Association for Law, Property and Society at Georgetown University Law Center; held the Regents’ Professorship.


*Professor Sherri Burr:* was elected to the American Law Institute; participated in a panel discussion on the international music scene at the annual symposium, “Entertainment & Sports Law: The International Dimension” presented by Whittier Law School’s Center for International & Comparative Law; spoke at the mid-winter meeting of the Copyright Law Society of the USA;
held a Don L. and Mabel F. Dickason Professorship.

Assistant Professor Camille Carey: held the Regents’ Lectureship.


Professor Jim Ellis: spearheaded a UNM School of Law team of students and staff who filed a brief on behalf of the American Association of Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities, the Arc of the United States, and the Arc of Tennessee.

Professor Denise Fort: named Director, Urton Transboundary Resources Center; presented Too Hot to Handle: Climate Change and Agricultural Water Use at a water law colloquium, “Water Law: Through the Lens of Conflict,” in Australia; presented Groundwater in the West during University of Idaho School of Law’s symposium, “One Source: Evolution of the Policies Surrounding Ground & Surface Water Management in the West;” presented The US Failure to Control Greenhouse Gas Emissions at the Second Global Conference on Environmental Governance and Democracy at Yale University.

Professor Chris Fritz: participated the “New Books on the Constitution” seminar hosted by Georgetown University Law Center with his book, American Sovereigns: The People & America’s Constitutional Tradition Before the Civil War; held a Keleher & McLeod Professorship.

Professor Eileen Gauna: presented Perspectives on the Law of Environmental Justice at the “US Environmental Justice and the Law” symposium, organized by the University of Mississippi School of Law and the ABA Section of Environment, Energy & Resources; invited to serve as a panelist discussing “Legal Framework for Environmental Justice” at the White House Forum on Environmental Justice.

Professor Laura Gómez: was appointed by Governor Bill Richardson to 15-member Governor’s Advisory Council on Women’s Health; participated as a panelist during the League of United Latin American Citizens 81st Annual Convention; received a Dean’s Award for Faculty Excellence.

Professor April Land: received the Dean’s Award for Distinguished Law School Service.

Professor John LaVelle: received the Dean’s Award for Faculty Excellence.

Professor Ernesto Longa: received the 2010 award for the best reference book by the New
Mexico Book Coop.

Professor Nathalie Martin: participated as a panelist following the screening of the CNN film, *Almighty Debt -- A Black in America*, as part of the 2010 Film Series, "Scholarly Conversations on Contemporary Topics," offered by the Charlie Morrisey Research Hall; presented a paper, *Transactional Clinics' Impact on Social Justice Issues*, and participated in a panel discussion at the 10th Annual Transactional Clinical Conference organized by Northwestern University School of Law; was featured in an Albuquerque Journal article about payday loan regulations; held a Keleher & McLeod Professorship.

Professor Alfred Mathewson: presented *Title IX & Gender Equity: Increased Opportunity for Women of Color?* at Wake Forest University; held a Don L. and Mabel F. Dickason Professorship.

Professor Margaret Montoya: gave Keynote Speech, *Identity in the Legal Profession*, at Cesar Chavez Week at the University of California at Davis School of Law; received the Outstanding Service Award from the Project for NM Graduate Students of Color acknowledging her work on pipeline projects and in the community; received the 2011 Presidential Luminaria Award at the 2nd Annual Presidential Luminaria Awards and Diversity Celebration.

Professor Jennifer Moore: presented *Cultivating the Rule of Law: The Work of Grass Roots Organizations in Sierra Leone’s Reconstruction* at the “Rebuilding Sierra Leone” conference organized by the University of South Carolina School of Law; received a Dean’s Award for Faculty Excellence.

Professor Sergio Pareja: was listed in the March 2011 issue of the National Jurist, *The Bucket List: 23 Law Profs to Take Before You Die*; held the Hatch Professorship.

Professor Emeritus Leo Romero: was appointed Chair of the National Institute for Trial Advocacy Board of Trustees.

Professor Antoinette Sedillo Lopez: was included at an invitation-only “Access to Justice Forum” at Stanford Law School, and participated in a round table discussion on ways to enhance the role of legal scholars and teachers in closing the justice gap in America; received the Friedman Award for Faculty Excellence.

Professor Carol Suzuki: received a Dean’s Award for Distinguished Law School Service.

Professor Gloria Valencia-Weber: was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as President Barak Obama’s appointee to the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation; delivered the Keynote Address, and received an award for her contribution the program at the 35-Year Celebration of the Psychology Diversified Students Program at Oklahoma State University; presented *Gender & Tribal Citizenship: The Santa Clara Case and Beyond* at Thomas Jefferson School of Law’s 10th Anniversary Women and the Law Conference, "Gender Justice and Indian
Sovereignty: Native American Women and the Law.”

Professor Emeritus Peter Winograd: was appointed to the American Bar Association Board of Governors; was asked by Association of American Law Schools President Michael Olivas to serve a three-year term as Chair of the AALS Government Relations Committee.

Professor Christine Zuni Cruz: received the Pincus Award from the AALS Section on Clinical Legal Education; was the honoree of the UNM Tribal Law Journal’s symposium, “Cultivating Native Intellect and Philosophy: A Community Symposium Recognizing and Discussing the Contributions of Christine Zuni Cruz - Legal Visionary, Indigenous Scholar, Innovative Clinical Teacher.”

SCHOOL OF LAW RECOGNITION
University of New Mexico School of Law Clinical Programs: New Mexico State Bar Award for Outstanding Legal Program.

Institute of Public Law: joins Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University to serve an eleven-state Western region as a member of the Public Health Law Network.

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