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Capital University Law School

Words that can change your life, from our students, faculty, and alumni.

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in the words of our Dean

ABOUT DEAN GUTTENBERG...

Jack A. Guttenberg has served as dean and professor of law at Capital University Law School since July, 2004. After earning his undergraduate degree in sociology from the University of Michigan and his J.D., magna cum laude, from Wayne State University School of Law, Dean Guttenberg served on the faculty and as associate dean at Cleveland-Marshall College of Law.

Dean Guttenberg's scholarship and service focus on ethics and professional responsibility. In 2007, he co-authored the authoritative source in Ohio on the state's new law of professional conduct for attorneys, *Ohio Law of Professional Conduct*.



“You belong right here...right now.”

As a Capital student, you feel a special excitement in the here and now. A big part of that excitement is the confidence you have about your future: your awareness that our incomparable curriculum and our top-flight faculty can prepare you to be a standout in whatever legal career you pursue.

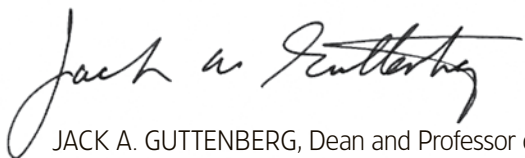
Whether you contemplate a general law practice or plan to specialize in an area such as genetic engineering, cyber technology, immigration or entertainment and sports law, you can jump ahead of competitors by virtue of the many skills you will develop as a student.

For example, our programs bring unparalleled balance to theory and practical application. We place unusually strong emphasis on basic lawyering skills. We provide innumerable opportunities for additional learning and enrichment. And along with these benefits, we employ technology-based teaching techniques second to none in the field of legal education.

Check out our history. You'll see innovation and leadership are inherent in our heritage. We led the way to racial and gender diversity—in our student body as well as in our faculty and staff—more than a century ago. We were one of the first law schools to offer an evening program, and we've remained in the forefront of efforts to keep legal education accessible. We've been innovators of important new resources, such as The National Center for Adoption Law & Policy.

Our location—in the heart of a thriving capital city—holds a wealth of educational and cultural opportunities for you as a student. You are literally engulfed by opportunities for internships and externships, and opportunities to witness sessions of the legislature, trials, hearings and other legal proceedings first-hand.

There's so much to show and tell you that can't be packed into these pages. I hope you'll visit Capital to experience first-hand the irrepressible feeling that you belong right here...right now!



JACK A. GUTTENBERG, Dean and Professor of Law



JACK GUTTENBERG
Dean & Professor of Law



SHIRLEY MAYS
Associate Dean of Academic Affairs
Associate Professor of Law

Building strong foundations now... in preparation for the future.

We've designed our curriculum to be intellectually challenging, instilling both the theoretical and practical skills that are necessary for effective, creative, and ethical legal counseling and advocacy. First-year courses emphasize development of fundamental skills such as proficient legal research and effective writing while providing a foundation for the upper-level curriculum. You can also create your own academic path by choosing among our vast range of electives, which enables you to pursue your own personal passion.

You can opt to concentrate your legal education in six specialty areas:

- Government Affairs
- Labor & Employment Law
- Dispute Resolution
- Small Business Entities & Public Companies
- Children & Family Law
- Environmental Law

Integrated with the basic curriculum are opportunities for additional learning and enrichment through our joint-degree programs, allowing you to advance your education without delaying your career plans. These accelerated programs enable students to earn two degrees in less time than it would take to obtain them separately. Through our joint-degree programs you can obtain your Juris Doctor and one of the following degrees:

- Master of Laws in Business
- Master of Laws in Business and Tax
- Master of Science in Nursing
- Master of Sports Administration
- Master of Laws in Tax
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Theology

Whatever your purpose in pursuing a law degree, you have many compelling reasons to do so at Capital. Our comprehensive curriculum and caring faculty serve to bring out the best of the uniquely gifted person you are. An education from Capital University Law School will prepare you to meet the challenges and demands of the evolving practice of law.

www.law.capital.edu/curriculum

A photograph of a woman with short grey hair and glasses, wearing a bright green blazer, sitting in a library and reading a large open book. Behind her is a tall wooden bookshelf filled with many books. To the left, a framed painting is visible on the wall.

foundation

“I take pride in working with the faculty to help build a solid curriculum that includes a foundation in core legal studies while offering cutting-edge elective courses in areas like adoption law, governmental affairs, and sexual orientation and the law.”

SHIRLEY MAYS

ABOUT DEAN MAYS...

Dean Mays currently serves as the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs working in conjunction with the faculty to implement a broad and comprehensive curriculum. Completing her bachelor's degree, magna cum laude, from Central State University, Dean Mays earned her J.D. from Harvard Law School. Prior to joining Capital, Dean Mays was an associate with the firm of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey; she also served as a judicial clerk for the chief justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio.



RACHEL JANUTIS
Director of Faculty Development
Associate Professor of Law

Capital's Faculty: A Class Act

Our students tell us what we've known for a long time, that our faculty are not only the "best in class" but the best outside of class as well. To be quite candid, our faculty are second to none when it comes to academic credentials, their ability to merge theory and practice, and their closeness and collegiality with students. Moreover, our professors are true mentors; they have a passion to convey knowledge and instill values that not only get students through the bar exam but prepare them for a meaningful and productive career in the field of law.

Capital professors obviously make extraordinary demands of themselves, distinguished as they are by their significant research and scholarship and by their authorship of important books and journal publications. In a recent study conducted by Roger Williams University, Capital's faculty ranked sixth among the faculty at peer institutions for scholarly productivity. They also make rigorous demands of their students, so you can expect to do your very best work at Capital.

Our faculty are educators in the classical sense of the term. They go beyond imparting essential knowledge. They help students integrate their learning with a clear personal vision and mission—with unwavering commitments to the legal profession and to the use of law for the betterment of society. Our faculty members' open door policy and mentoring make for a student-professor rapport that you'll find at few other law schools...a climate for partnering that frequently engenders lifetime friendships.

The American Bar Association conducts site visits of all ABA accredited law schools on a seven year rotation. A recent ABA site evaluation team at Capital reported that, "based on conversations with the faculty, it can be said that teaching is viewed as a core value of the Law School!"

www.law.capital.edu/faculty



connecting

“I have discovered that my teaching is enhanced through my scholarship. By gaining an in-depth understanding of a particular legal issue, I am better able to help my students make the connection between classroom rhetoric and the practice of law.”

RACHEL JANUTIS

ABOUT PROFESSOR JANUTIS...

In fall 2007, Professor Janutis was named Director of Faculty Development. In this role, Professor Janutis is responsible for supporting and promoting teaching and faculty scholarship. Professor Janutis holds a J.D., summa cum laude, from the University of Illinois College of Law and a B.S. in journalism from Northwestern University. Before coming to Capital, Professor Janutis served as litigation associate with Winston & Strawn in Chicago, Illinois.



PHIL FULTON
Adjunct Professor

Real World Insight

Capital's adjunct professors are respected practitioners, experienced litigators, and distinguished judges. They share with their students a rich store of diversified, true-life experiences from our city's many courts, public offices, and corporate boardrooms. Their diverse backgrounds, in turn, create unique learning opportunities—from labor arbitration, to business planning practicum, to baseball in the law—students interested in more than just the academic side of learning will gain a tangible perspective of the law.

Approachable, insightful, connected, reliable...words that our students often use when describing their professors at Capital. From their roles as professors, practitioners, mentors, teachers and friends—Capital's faculty not only provide you with the innovative instruction you will need to succeed but with the guidance to lead you into an honorable profession.

“Teaching at Capital allows me not only to share my practice-specific expertise with current law students, but also contribute to the institution that helped shape my legal career.”

PHIL FULTON

ABOUT PROFESSOR FULTON...

A 1980 graduate of Capital University Law School, Phillip Fulton, founder of the Phillip J. Fulton Law Office, has dedicated his professional career to representing injured and disabled workers. Among his many professional achievements, Mr. Fulton has been the recipient of the Ohio Academy of Trial Lawyers' Distinctive Service Award and was inducted into the organization's Workers' Compensation Hall of Fame. Mr. Fulton is listed in The Best Lawyers in America and Ohio Super Lawyers, Law and Politics Magazine. At Capital, Mr. Fulton is an Adjunct Professor teaching Workers' Compensation Law.

Faculty at-a-glance

- 37 full-time faculty
- 13 full-time women faculty
- 4 full-time African American faculty
- 6 full-time legal writing faculty
- 25% of the faculty have earned an advanced degree beyond a J.D.
- 14.6:1 student to faculty ratio
- Ranked sixth among the faculty at peer institutions: www.law.capital.edu/ranking
- 63 highly specialized practitioners upon whom we draw in order to enhance our elective course offerings

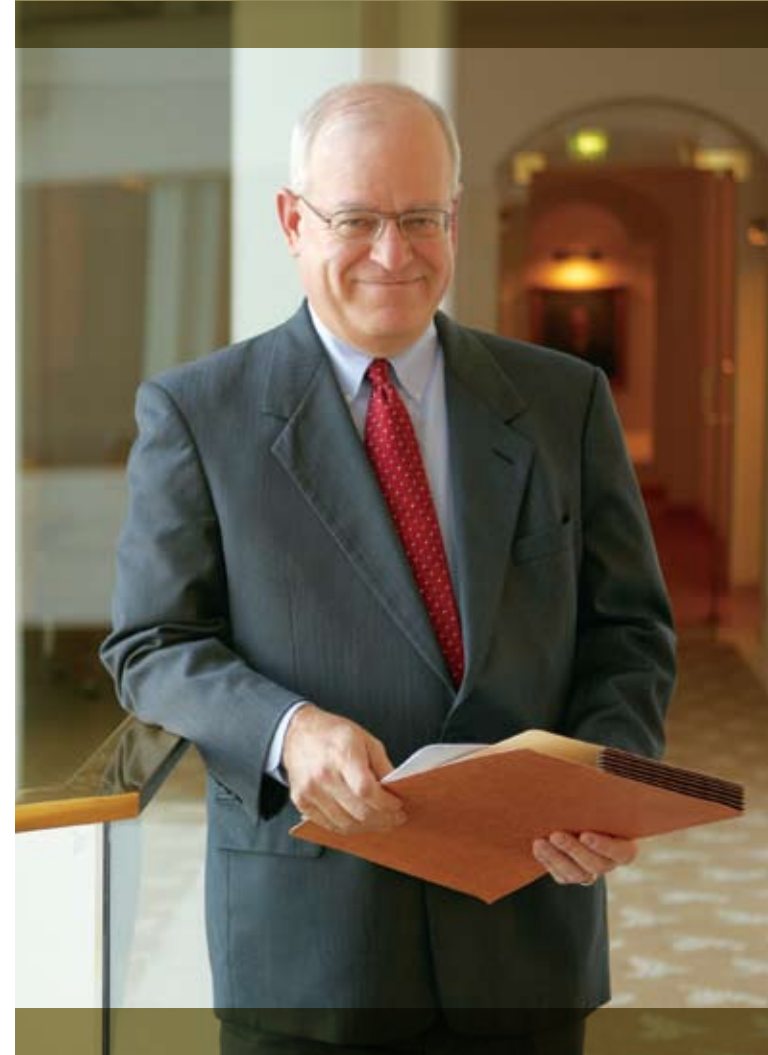
expertise

“As an adjunct professor at Capital, I enjoy being able to share current environmental legal issues with my students and to engage them in lively classroom discussions that not only facilitate the learning process, but also illustrate the impact these developments have on our local and global communities.”

CHRIS SCHRAFF

ABOUT PROFESSOR SCHRAFF...

A partner in the law firm of Porter Wright Morris & Arthur, L.L.P., Mr. Schraff practices in the firm's Environmental/Energy/Government department. He has litigated a number of civil and criminal environmental matters, including service as lead counsel in the leading decision in Ohio on water pollution control law—and the leading case on state control of public water supplies. He has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America for the area of Environmental Law in every edition since 1991 and is recognized by the publishers of Law & Politics and Cincinnati Magazine as an Ohio Super Lawyer. Additionally, Mr. Schraff is listed in Chambers USA as one of the leading attorneys in Environmental Law.



CHRIS SCHRAFF
Adjunct Professor

“After spending nearly ten years as a paralegal in the international corporate governance and restructuring division for several Fortune 500 companies, I felt the time was right for me to take the next step to become an attorney. Capital’s part-time evening program allowed me to keep my job and achieve my goal of obtaining a J.D.”

CHI “WINNIE” SIM

ABOUT WINNIE...

Born and raised in Malaysia, Winnie relocated to the U.S. to join the Legal Department of an international medical supplier. The organization was later acquired by Cardinal Health, Inc. which brought Winnie to Dublin, Ohio, as their Corporate Governance & International Legal Specialist. Having earned her bachelor’s degree in business from Tunku Abdul Rahman College in Malaysia, Winnie taught organizational behavior and management for six years before entering the corporate arena. Winnie is currently an associate with Baker Hostetler.

in the words of our

students



The Support You Need to Succeed

Founded on the principles of opportunity, Capital University Law School opened its doors more than 100 years ago to working men and women, providing them a place where they could earn a law degree and continue to work. Today, that legacy continues, as the only law school in Central Ohio to offer part-time day and evening programs, granting access to an education that might not otherwise be attainable to working students. Whether you choose to pursue your law school education on a full or part-time basis, Capital will provide you with the tools and support you need to succeed both as a student and a graduate.

We recognize that students have different learning styles and experiences that can affect their learning process in law school. Capital's Academic Success Protocol complements the law school curriculum by developing the skills necessary to succeed in law school through programming and one-on-one counseling. Additionally, Academic Success fosters a community-driven environment where students learn to work together to accomplish and achieve their own personal success. Capital also offers skill-building opportunities throughout your academic career to assist with your preparation for the bar, including a final year course, Advanced Bar Studies, designed to give you a foundation on which to begin your bar preparation.

The mission of the Career Services Office is to assist students and alumni to become proactive in their career planning and job strategies. To accomplish this aim, the office provides numerous services so you can explore the myriad of career options available to you as a student and a graduate. These services include:

- Individual counseling
- Resume and cover letter review and workshops
- On-campus interviewing
- Online job posting board
- Career library of books, directories, and other resources
- Networking opportunities
- Career development programs
- Pro bono validation



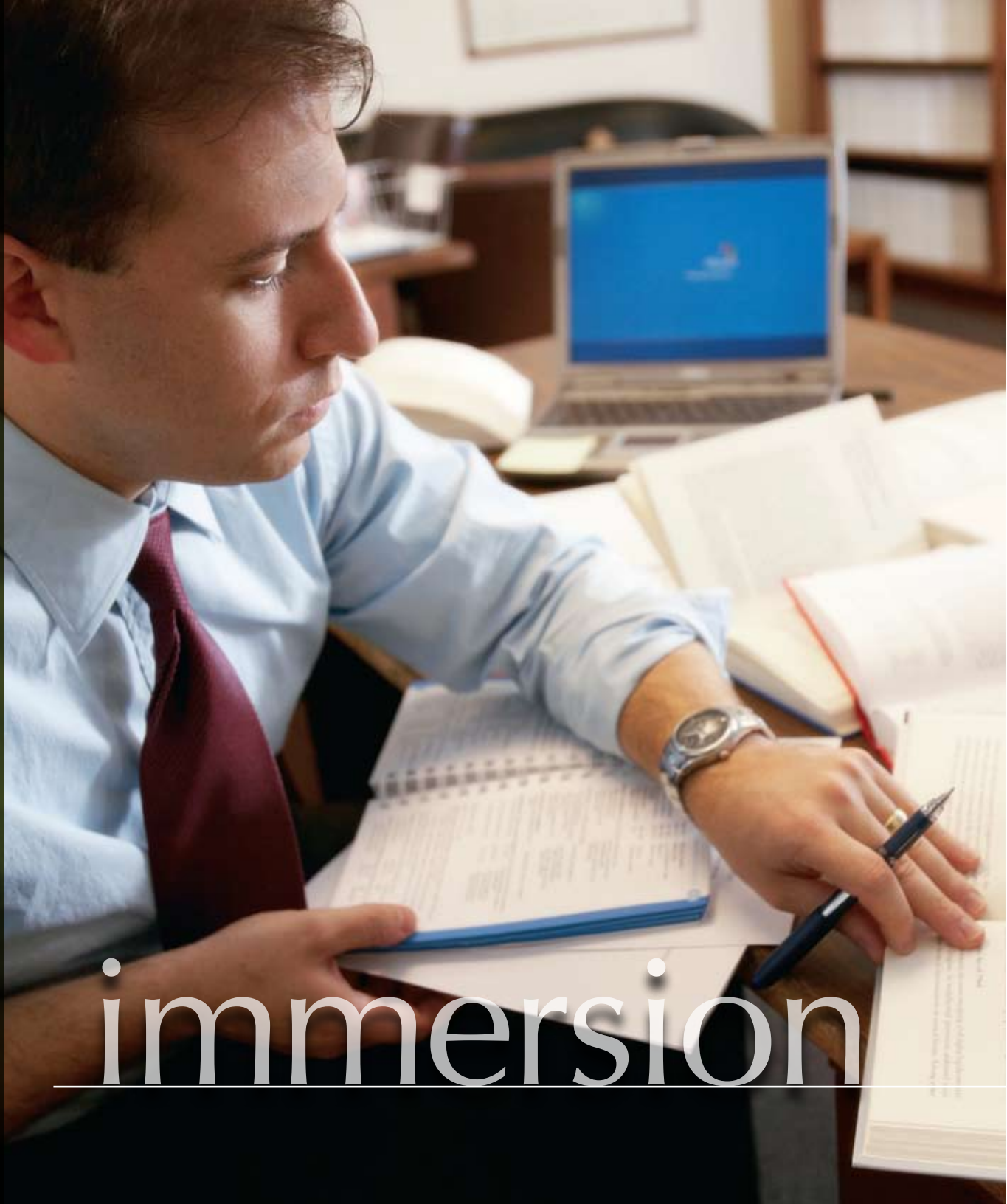
CHI "WINNIE" SIM
J.D. 2008

“Returning to school after eight years of working in I.T., I find myself once again spending late nights with a flashing computer screen, too much caffeine, and aggressive deadlines, except this time I know I am laying the foundation for personal success and a lifetime of service to others.”

JEFF SNEERINGER

ABOUT JEFF...

A 1997 graduate of The Ohio State University and squad leader for the OSU Marching Band, Jeff earned a B.S. cum laude in Information Systems. He immediately put his degree to use in his role as a software developer and computer project leader. In 2005, Jeff enrolled at Capital where he has become actively involved in student life, serving as Editor-in-Chief of Law Review. Jeff has also participated in Capital's Externship Program and Moot Court Team.



immersion

A Reality Based Curriculum

Theoretical foundations of law are established through your core curriculum courses. As the cornerstone of your legal education, participation in externships, legal clinics, pro bono work, and co-curricular organizations will boost your confidence, build your knowledge, and strengthen the skills necessary to meet the challenges of practicing law. Through these experiences you will be transformed from a student to a legal practitioner.

Our commitment to immersing you in the real-world environment of law is best exemplified by our incomparable externship program, outstanding legal clinics, and rewarding pro bono and volunteer programs. By participating in these programs, you can experience first-hand the challenges and rewards of practicing law and giving back to the community-at-large. The Law School's commitment to public service is demonstrated through our recently established Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP), created to assist our graduates who choose to pursue a career in public service.

Externship Program: Over 120 Externships Sites

- Earn course credit
- Work directly with practicing attorneys
- Acquire practical experience
- Gain networking opportunities

Legal Clinics: General Litigation and Family Advocacy

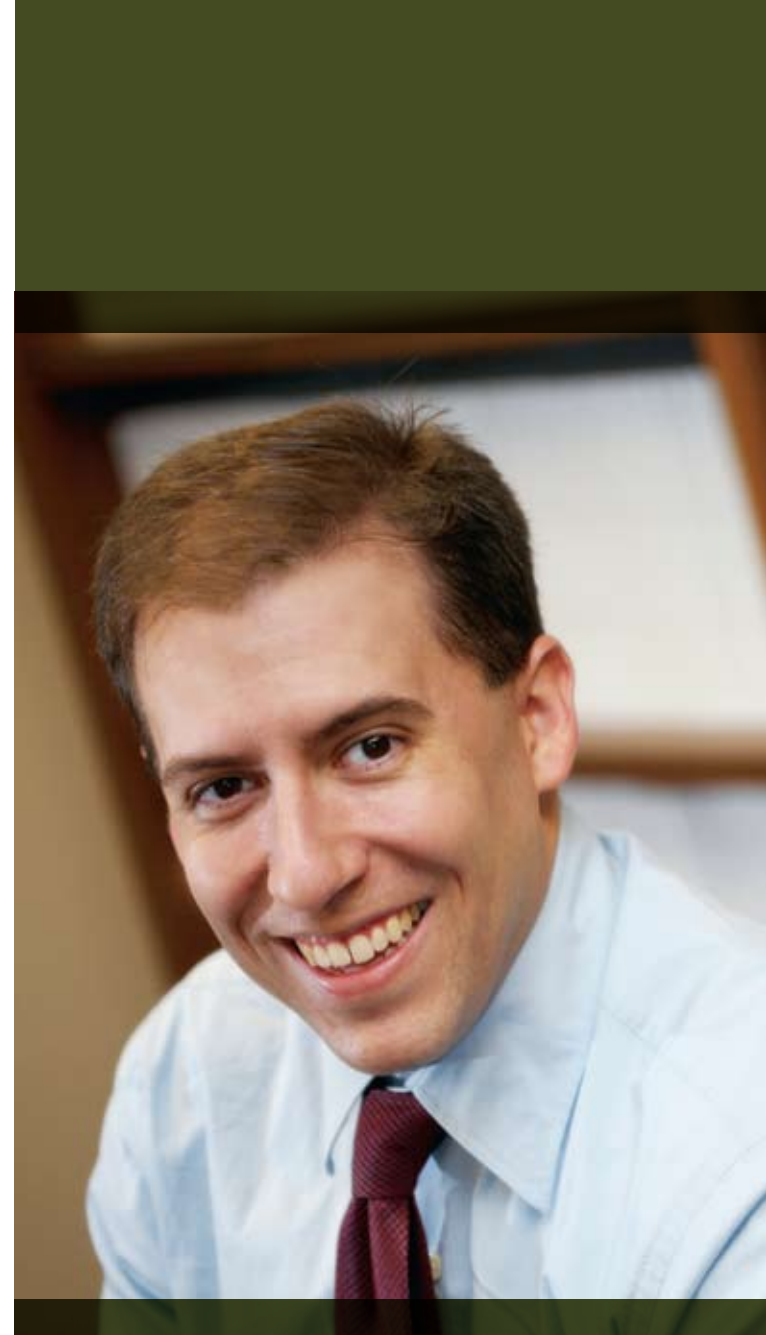
- Obtain student attorney licensure
- Appear in court
- Gain valuable lawyering skills
- Work closely with experienced clinical attorneys
- Represent actual clients

Pro Bono and Volunteer Programs

- Habitat for Humanity
- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program
- Homeless Families Foundation
- Pro Bono Validation Program
- Tobacco Public Policy Center
- National Center for Adoption Law and Policy

Interested in co-curricular strength building? You can hone your writing, research, and editing skills by working on the nationally recognized Capital University Law Review, or polish your speaking and forensic prowess through inter-collegiate moot court competitions and trial advocacy teams.

www.law.capital.edu/studentprograms



JEFF SNEERINGER
J.D. 2008

“Coming to Capital from Atlanta, I was surprised to discover the supportive environment I found at the Law School and within the city. I have been able to establish a network of friends—both social and professional—who have made me feel connected to the community. I think it is important, as a Student Ambassador, to share my Capital experience with other students who are thinking about law school.”

LAKESHA MOORE

ABOUT LAKESHA...

LaKesha earned her B.S. degree in mathematics in 2005 from Spelman College. While at Spelman, she participated in the Women in Science and Engineering Program and was a NASA Scholar, spending a summer as an intern at the Johnson Space Center. LaKesha is an intern for the Columbus Clippers and a member of the Black Law Students Association and Christian Legal Society; she also serves as a Student Ambassador.

interaction

A photograph of a woman with dark hair, wearing a dark button-down shirt and blue jeans, standing in a library aisle. She is looking up at a book on a high shelf. The shelves are filled with books, and the aisle is curved. The word "interaction" is overlaid in large white letters across the middle of the image.

Student Life: Cool Activities, Warm Friends

The unusual diversity of Capital's student body is no accident. Your classmates hail from all over the United States. They represent a wide span of ages, ethnicities, cultures, social backgrounds, academic achievements and work experiences. At the heart of our student-centered philosophy is a commitment to encourage openness, acceptance, mutual respect and interaction. The result is a cordial, free-flowing atmosphere in which newcomers easily make friends.

Meeting students who share your interests and values is easy. We have associations for students with common values and backgrounds, as well as groups focused on specific areas of the law—like sports and entertainment, environmental, and intellectual property. You will find many organizations and activities to help you round out your education.

Although academic life at Capital is rigorous, students find that being involved in community-building activities is a great way to relax. It is not unusual to find students in the Huntington Commons socializing with their fellow classmates, faculty, and staff during our monthly Friday afternoon social hour or gathering on a Saturday afternoon for a powder puff football game or tennis tournament. At Barristers Ball, an annual law school tradition, students don their best attire for a night of dinner and dancing.

No matter where you come from or what your background, you will find your transition into the Capital community effortless.



LAKESHA MOORE
J.D. 2009



MARK HATCHER
J.D. 2006
L.L.M 2006

Life After Capital: Journeys of Success

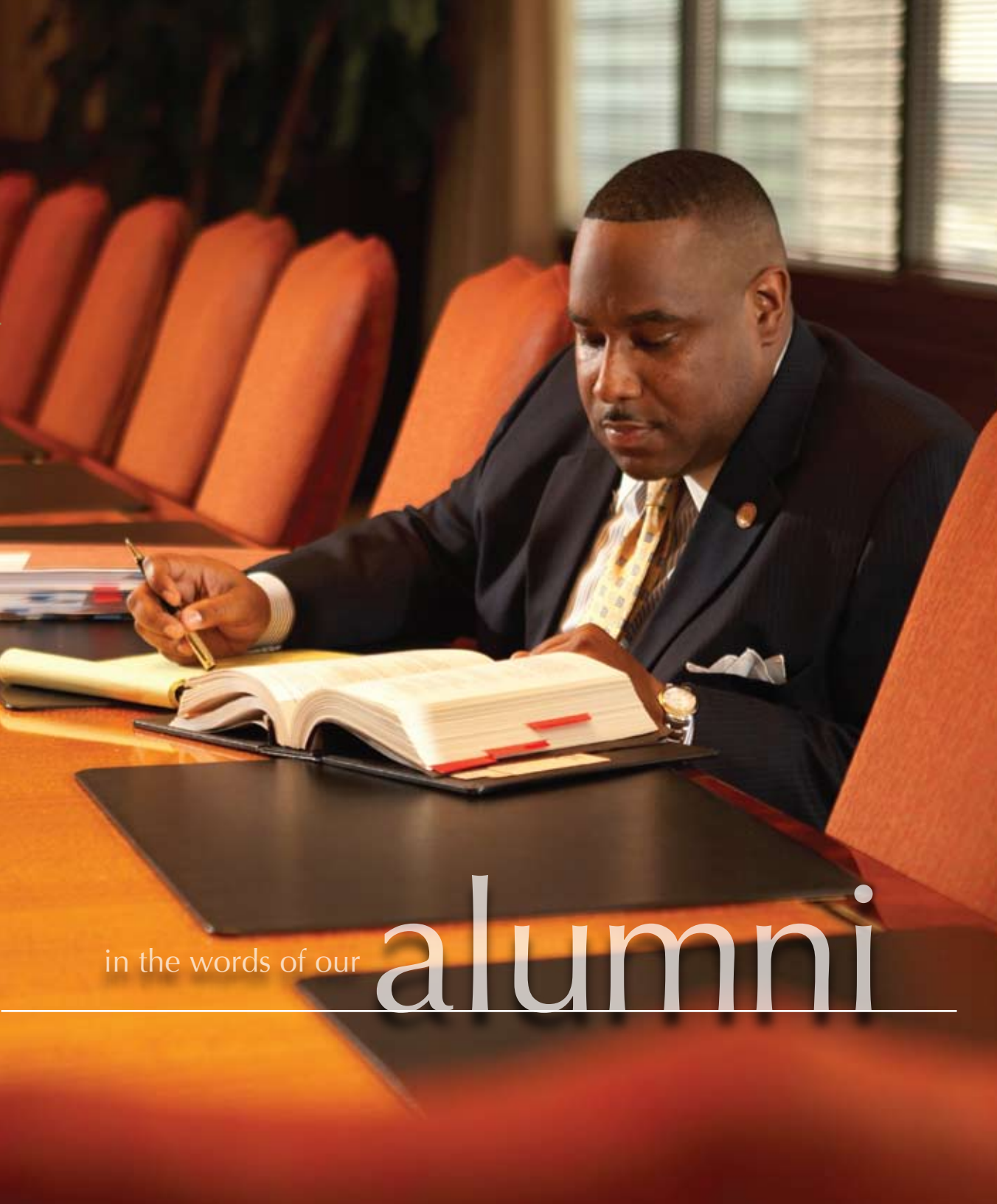
The strong work ethic of Capital students serves them well in law school and clearly sets them apart after graduation. They distinguish themselves in a remarkable range of successful careers—as federal, state, and municipal court judges, partners and associates of respected law firms, officials at all levels of government, directors of public and private institutions, chairs of corporations, entrepreneurs in business of every conceivable kind, and influential community leaders.

Alumni At-A-Glance

- Among the 6,400 alumni, more than 170 are judges or magistrates
- Five current Ohio State Representatives and two mayors in Central Ohio are alumni
- Of the 2,500 alumni employed in Central Ohio law firms, more than 220 are practicing at partner or managing partner level
- The first African-American attorney licensed to practice law in Columbus, Ohio, David D. White, graduated from Capital in 1931
- We have alumni in 48 of the 50 states
- Internationally, you will find our alumni in 19 foreign countries

The student body of Capital is diverse, distinct, and dedicated, which in turn creates loyal alumni who are committed to serve both the community and their law school. For more than 100 years, the graduates of Capital have forged relationships, both personal and professional, building a strong network of alumni who are dedicated to the mission of the Law School. Through Capital's Law Alumni Association, you will meet these distinguished alumni who serve as mentors and role models to successive generations of Capital law graduates. There is a place for you right here, right now to build strong foundations, forge lasting relationships, and emerge as one of the influential leaders we call our graduates.

www.law.capital.edu/alumni



in the words of our **alumni**

“I knew for some time that I wanted to go to law school, so when I finally made the decision, I was determined to invest 110% in order to succeed. To my surprise, I discovered my true passion—tax and business law—and as a result I decided to take advantage of Capital’s J.D./LL.M. Program. Since graduation, I’ve been amazed by how far my education has taken me.”

MARK HATCHER

ABOUT MARK...

During law school, Mark served as the Business Editor of the *Capital University Law Review*, as judicial extern for the Honorable Algenon L. Marbley in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio and as a law clerk for The Supreme Court of Ohio, Office of Disciplinary Counsel. Mark earned bachelor’s degree from The Ohio State, and a Master of Criminal Justice degree from Tiffin University. Prior to attending Capital, Mark was the director of a felony offender rehabilitation program for the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas. Currently, Mark is an associate in the business practice group at Baker Hostetler.



NICK WALSTRA
J.D. 2010

Columbus, Ohio: Quality of life at a Midwestern price

If you're not familiar with Columbus, there is a lot for you to discover. Capital's location—in the city's downtown Discovery District—puts you within a few blocks of the Ohio Statehouse and the Supreme Court of Ohio, as well as many municipal, state and federal office buildings, and a multitude of corporate offices and private law firms.

You're only a few minutes from the Columbus Museum of Art and the Columbus Municipal Library. And you're close to theatres offering a host of entertainments, including Columbus Symphony Orchestra concerts, Ballet Met, and Opera Columbus performances. The home of the NHL Columbus Blue Jackets is downtown, as is the new Huntington Park, stadium of the AAA Columbus Clippers baseball team.

With its historically well-balanced economy, the city offers abundant student job opportunities, ample attractive housing, and an excellent quality of life that comes at a student-friendly Midwestern price.

Columbus At-A-Glance

- 15th largest city in the U.S.
- 1.64 million people in Columbus and surrounding area
- Third fastest growing major metropolitan area in the Midwest
- Home to over 5,000 attorneys
- Consistent growth for the past 50 years

www.law.capital.edu/columbus

A nighttime photograph of the Columbus, Ohio skyline. The city is illuminated with warm lights, and the lights are reflected in the water of the Scioto River. A bridge with multiple arches spans the river in the foreground. The sky is dark with some clouds.

city living

“Going to college on the east coast was both an adventure and growing experience for me, but when it came time to think about law school, I knew I wanted to be in a metropolitan city that would offer me a chance to be part of a thriving legal community without a big city price tag. For me, it’s a plus that city turned out to be my hometown of Columbus, Ohio.”

NICK WALSTRA

ABOUT NICK...

As a sociology major at Princeton University, Nick was a member of the varsity football team, a volunteer for Special Olympics, and a member of Athletes in Action. After graduation, he worked as a case-worker for Franklin County Children Services. At Capital, Nick participates in intramural sports, The Sports & Entertainment Law Association, MAESTROS, and is a volunteer with Children Services.

CAPITAL AT-A-GLANCE

- Founded in 1830, Capital is the largest Lutheran-affiliated university in North America.
- The institution that was to evolve into Capital University Law School was founded in 1903.
- Capital Law School moved to its current facility in 1997.
- Capital Law School is among the first of law schools in the nation to offer a for-credit advanced bar studies course.
- The Capital Law Library houses more than a quarter-million volumes, periodicals and microfilms. Students have 24-hour access to the law building and library.
- Capital is home to the National Center for Adoption Law & Policy and the Center for Dispute Resolution, each of which provides students with a unique, hands-on learning opportunity in a specific field of interest.



ACCREDITATION

Capital University Law School is a member of the Association of American Law Schools and is accredited by the American Bar Association.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Mission

We will strengthen society and our legal system by developing skilled lawyers who serve diverse communities well, by promoting professionalism and ethics, and by furthering discourse and knowledge.

OUR CORE VALUES

We are committed to:

- The rule of law in a constitutional, democratic society.
- Excellent teaching and effective learning.
- Intellectual and scholarly engagement.
- Integrity, ethical conduct and service.
- Access to the profession for first-generation professionals, minorities and other underrepresented groups.
- Diversity in background and thinking.
- Mutual respect and support.
- High standards of performance.
- Innovation and resourcefulness.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Capital University Law School is committed to recognizing academic potential by awarding scholarships. Capital is fortunate to have a high level of support from alumni, law firms, corporations and friends of the law school. Because of this support we are able to reward academic merit and meet our commitment to diversity through incoming student scholarships. All applicants are considered for scholarships during the admission process and are

notified of scholarship awards at the time an admission offer is made. Students who are not awarded scholarship as an incoming student can apply for merit-based continuing student scholarships after their first year of law school.

Questions about Capital's financial aid programs should be directed to the Law School's Financial Aid Office at 614.236.6350 or email financialaid@law.capital.edu. For expanded information, visit our website: www.law.capital.edu.

ADMISSION

Application Review

The Law School does not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, color, creed, age, national origin, religion, or sexual orientation. Capital actively encourages applications from under-represented groups in the legal profession.

The decision to admit or deny a candidate is far from automatic and is not based solely upon numbers. Applications for admission to the Law School are judged in their entirety. The Admission Committee carefully evaluates a candidate's undergraduate and graduate coursework, writing ability, letters of recommendation, employment history/experience, general background and other pertinent information provided by the candidate. All of these factors, along with the LSAT score, act to increase or decrease the probability of admission.

Applying for Admission

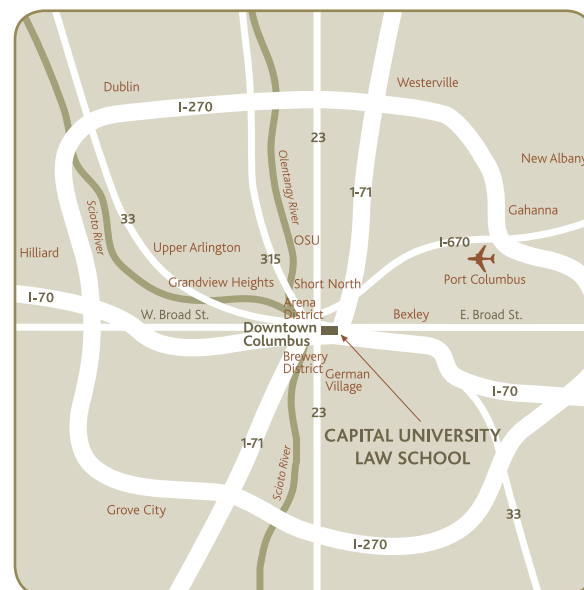
All applicants can apply online via the Law School Admission Council's website, www.LSAC.org or by visiting Capital's website www.law.capital.edu/apply. Paper

applications can be obtained from the Law School's website or by contacting the Office of Admission at 614.236.6310 or admissions@law.capital.edu.

VISITING THE LAW SCHOOL

We welcome the opportunity to meet you in person! Throughout the school year we host numerous events for both prospective and admitted students, and we always welcome visits during the school day. Take a tour of the law school, sit-in on a class, meet current students, faculty and staff...and see for yourself what Capital University Law School is all about. To arrange a visit, please contact the Office of Admission at 614.236.6310 or admissions@law.capital.edu.

The Law School is located in downtown Columbus, 15 minutes from Port Columbus International Airport. We are within short flying time of major cities—Chicago, Atlanta, Nashville, and New York City are within 1.5 hour.





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