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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Thank you for your support of the University of San Diego School of Law. I am especially grateful for your generous contribution as a Maudsley Fellow. Maudsley Fellows provide the cornerstone of private support needed to enable USD School of Law to fulfill its mission of training outstanding attorneys who will excel in their practice, and be leaders in serving their communities.

On June 30, we completed the Leading Change comprehensive campaign raising more than \$31.8 million in support of USD School of Law. Maudsley Fellows comprised 21 percent of the donors to the campaign, but they generously contributed 82 percent of the total raised. In the final year of the campaign, Maudsley Fellows contributed nearly \$4 million.

The programs and initiatives highlighted in our Donor Impact Report represent only some of the many ways your generosity is benefiting our students, supporting our faculty, enriching our curriculum, expanding our experiential offerings, and serving our community.

Thank you for your leadership as a Maudsley Fellow and for all you do to support USD School of Law. The impact of the support of Maudsley Fellows on USD School of Law is evidenced in multiple ways, including:

- **Contributing \$609,825* to support scholarships.**
* Includes contributions to Named Scholarships, Legacy Endowed Scholarships, and Multi-year Scholarships
- **Funding the Veterans Legal Clinic**—Supported by individual donors in excess of \$275,000 and our continued advocacy on behalf of student veterans under the Initiative to Protect Student Veterans
- Enabling our Legal Clinics to provide more than 20,000 hours in pro bono client service
- Supporting lectures and symposia addressing some of the most challenging legal and policy issues of our times, including:
 - **Personalized Medicine: Promises and Perils.** The Center for Health Law Policy and Bioethics invited experts Dr. Eric Topol, Founder and Director of Scripps Translational Science Institute (STSI), Dr. Robert Epstein, Senior Research Psychologist at American Institute for Behavioral Research and Technology (AIBRT), and Sid Mohasseb, Published Author and Adjunct Professor at the University of Southern California, to examine advances in genomic and digital health. This panel discussion was made possible through the generosity of Steve and Lisa Altman.
 - **Richard Crawford Pugh Lecture on Tax Law & Policy.** In February 2018, Pamela Olson, U.S. Deputy Tax Leader and Washington National Tax Services practice leader of PricewaterhouseCoopers(PwC) spoke on the topic of



The Tax Cut and Jobs Act of 2017. The Richard Crawford Pugh Lecture on Tax Law & Policy

brings a distinguished practitioner, judge or government official who has played a significant role in shaping U.S. and international tax policy to the law school to discuss current and developing tax law and policy trends.

- **Ninth Annual Hugh & Hazel Darling Foundation Originalism Works-in-Progress Conference.** Hosted by Center for the Study of Constitutional Originalism, this year's conference involved the presentation of a variety of new works concerning originalism. The Works-in-Progress Conference was made possible through the generous annual support from the Hugh & Hazel Darling Foundation.
- **PatCon 8 Patent Law Conference at USD School of Law.** The Patent Conference ("PatCon") is an interdisciplinary forum where scholars from the fields of law, economics, business, public health, history and philosophy of science, engineering, and other disciplines can share their research. The Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property supports this conference.
- **33rd Nathaniel L. Nathanson Memorial Lecture.** Professor Robert Stein, the Everett Fraser Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota Law School, spoke on the future of capital punishment in the United States.
- **Bergman Memorial Lecture.** *Seeking Equality in Our Schools—Mendez v. Westminster.* On February 2018, USD School of Law hosted a panel discussion in honor of *Mendez v. Westminster* — a 1947 federal court case that challenged Mexican remedial schools in Orange County, California. The Honorable Gonzalo P. Curiel, The Honorable Frederick P. Aguirre (Ret.), Professor Joi Spencer, and Professor Robert Fellmeth spoke on the panel moderated by writer/producer Sandra Robbie.
- **Procopio International Tax Institute.** Co-sponsored by USD School of Law, each year the institute brings leading academics, practitioners and government officials together to discuss the latest changes in the tax law and policy in Mexico, Canada and the United States.

These are just a few of the ways your generosity as a member of the Maudsley Fellows Society is making an impact. Thank you for your support and all that you do for USD School of Law.

Stephen C. Ferruolo
Dean and Professor of Law



THE CAMPAIGN FOR USD

\$31.8 MILLION DOLLARS RAISED

Leading Change: The Campaign for USD, 2010-2018



16,140

TOTAL NUMBER OF
GIFTS



2,195

NUMBER OF
**FIRST TIME
DONORS**



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NEW ANNUAL NAMED
**SCHOLARSHIPS
CREATED**



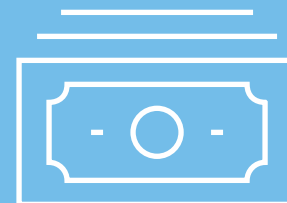
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RAISED THROUGH
THE BIG GIVE
FY15-18



1,489

NUMBER OF GIFTS
OVER \$1,500
FROM MAUDSLEY FELLOWS



14,653

NUMBER OF GIFTS
UNDER \$1,500



YOUR GIFTS AT WORK

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

ASHLEE WALCOTT—GRATITUDE. DETERMINATION. EVOLUTION OF A CAREER PATH.

Have you ever wondered what the real impact of your donation is? Ashlee Walcott has been the recipient of several USD School of Law scholarships. They have made her law school years a reality and not simply an aspiration.

Ashlee is the first in her family to graduate from college, and the first to attend law school. She comes from a family that understands the importance of effecting change and giving back to her community via service. Before deciding to attend law school, Ashlee worked as a county contracted social worker, in Murrieta, Calif., with a focus on foster and probation youth. “Don’t Just Survive—Thrive!” was the organization’s motto.

Ashlee has *thrived* in her pursuit of a Juris Doctor degree. Ashlee has been diligent in seeking insightful advice from legal community pillars, with regard to helping those less fortunate, through child welfare and juvenile justice systems, and advocating against elder abuse.

USD’s Robert Fellmeth helped her shape a future career path. As a student in Professor Fellmeth’s fall 2017 Child Right’s class, Ashlee met with Bob to discuss interning at the San Diego Public Defenders Delinquency division. The program allows young offenders to be processed through a civil trial rather than a criminal trial; the civil hearing is vested with all the rights and responsibilities of the criminal trial.

At the urging of Elisa Weichel, who serves as Administrative Director and Senior Staff Attorney for the Children’s Advocacy Institute (CAI), part of the Center for Public Interest Law (CPIL), Ashlee decided to become a certified intern at the Public Defender’s office. This would allow her to represent clients and speak on the record to lessen the caseload for the attorneys in the office. Ashlee saw an opportunity to help others, and to receive practical hands on experience. She further went on to assist her training attorney with the caseload in JFAST Court. The Juvenile Forensic Assistance for Stabilization and Treatment Program is designed to support recovery for mentally ill youth by providing access to individualized treatment and strengthening family stability.

Eager to put her law school education to good use, prior to working at the Public Defender’s office, during the summer of 2017, at the end of her first year of law school, Ashlee worked at Community Legal Services of Compton, Calif., at the self-help center assisting litigants with family law, domestic violence, and unlawful detainer cases. The following summer she represented neglected and abused children at Children’s Law Center of Los Angeles in Monterey Park.

Just recently, the Fellmeths invited Ashlee to the Changemaker Brunch to highlight the work of the Center for Public Interest Law. There she met Deputy Attorney General Christine Riehl, California Department of Justice/Bureau of Children’s Justice; Ashlee seized the opportunity to discuss her desire to pursue a career in children’s rights.

Personal determination and the generosity of dedicated scholarship supporters are making it possible for Ashlee to serve the interests of the most vulnerable children in our legal system. Upon admission to USD, she received Alumni Scholarship and Merit Scholarship funding. Loans, grants and private scholarships have made it possible to this hard-working woman to seek out meaningful experiences that have honed her specialized legal skills that will make her a valuable advocate for children’s rights. Just recently, Ashlee learned that she is being honored with the Higgs Fletcher & Mack (HFM) Diversity Scholarship and Antonyan Miranda Scholarship. Thanks to the support of HFM, the law firm of Antonyan Miranda, and donors like you, law students throughout USD have been able to engage in work that is meaningful to them.

A law school education would not be possible for many students at USD without the contributions and generosity of others. Ashlee is grateful to those that have helped her. “I am very appreciative of the money that has been donated because it has given me the opportunity to pursue internships that were unaffordable otherwise.” Because of the scholarship support, mentorship and encouragement I have received for the past three years at USD School of Law, as an alumna I plan to give back and donate to scholarships; I see how beneficial and life-changing that kind of help can be.”



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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

A LOOK INTO THE RICHARD A. SHAW ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIP IN TAXATION—MATCHING PASSION WITH PURPOSE

After a prominent 40-year career as a Distinguished Adjunct Professor of Law, devoted to teaching tax at USD School of Law, Professor Shaw worked closely with Dean Stephen C. Ferruolo to establish the *Richard A. Shaw Endowed Professorship in Taxation*. A nationally recognized business and tax lawyer, Professor Shaw specializes in business and tax planning, estate planning and tax controversy representation. He also serves as an expert witness. Shaw has chaired the American Bar and the California Bar Tax Sections, and has frequently testified before the United States Congress on tax reform issues. In addition to his successful career, Shaw has contributed years of community service in San Diego. He is a National Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, with the Boy Scouts of America, and has been President of the San Diego Kiwanis Club and member of the Executive Committee of the San Diego Museum of Art, Business Circle.

Since 1978, Shaw has lectured in Advanced Business Planning and Advanced Corporate Tax Planning at the USD Law School Masters in Taxation Program. Once Professor Shaw's Endowed Professorship in Taxation fully funded, the fund's spending allowance will provide Dean Ferruolo with valuable resources to recruit, retain and incentivize distinguished members of the faculty. Enhancing the tax program at the law school by elevating the teaching experience for student and graduates at USD is the ambitious purpose that inspires Professor Shaw to fund one of the few endowed professorships available to teaching faculty throughout the university. **"As a distinguished member of the adjunct faculty, Richard Shaw has dedicated his time and expertise to teaching tax at USD School of Law for more than four decades. His decision to fund an endowed professorship in tax will not only perpetuate the level of excellence that we have come to expect from our tax faculty, but it will also ensure that the standing of the law school's tax program continues to benefit by association with the outstanding reputation of Professor Richard A. Shaw."** Stephen C. Ferruolo, Dean and Professor of Law.

The University of San Diego School of Law is proud to be among the finest institutions providing graduate education and skills training in tax law. As one of the nation's top tax LLM programs, USD's Graduate Tax Program is the ideal choice for law students who wish to study in the western United States. Graduates of the program that Professor Shaw supports, join an extensive network of LLM in Taxation alumni practicing throughout the West Coast and the nation.

ROBERT C. AND JULIANNE D. FELLMETH—LIFELONG LEADERSHIP

Together, Bob and Julie Fellmeth have made an unbeatable team at the USD School of Law for almost 35 years. In 1980, Bob established the Center for Public Interest Law to focus on the study of a powerful—yet often overlooked—level of government: state agencies that regulate business, professions, trades, education, and the environment. In 1986, Julie (JD '83) returned as CPIL Administrative Director and took over much of CPIL's advocacy and the publication of its journal, the *California Regulatory Law Reporter*. In 1989, Bob founded the Children's Advocacy Institute, and in 2005 he established the Energy Policy Initiatives Center. Each of these centers offers a strong academic program at the USD School of Law. Thanks to the Sol Price family, Paul Peterson, former San Diego District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis, and others, Bob and Julie have arranged endowments for all three centers so their academic programs will continue as part of USD's legal curriculum. Each program forms the nucleus for three of the law school's "concentration" areas: public interest law, child rights, and environmental and energy law.

Bob Fellmeth has worked on countless consumer rights and regulatory agency issues, including his 1987 appointment as State Bar Discipline Monitor by then-Attorney General John Van de Kamp, and his drafting and sponsorship of successful 1988 legislation creating the nation's only State Bar Court independent of attorney influence or other conflicts. With the creation of CAI in 1989, he has been involved in dozens of child safety and protection statutes, court precedents, and major studies and reports on the plight of abused children in particular. Julie D'Angelo Fellmeth has been the major force behind many consumer protections,

including bills that have reformed the California Board of Accountancy, the Contractors' State License Board, and the Medical Board of California. From 2003–05, she served by appointment as the Medical Board Enforcement Monitor, auditing the Board's enforcement program and its diversion program for substance-abusing physicians; her research and reports led to substantial reforms in both programs. She drafted legislation requiring each occupational licensing agency to elevate public protection as its "paramount priority," instead of protecting the profession it regulates. She has been involved in many other agency reforms and has provided detailed legislative testimony that has resulted in improvements at California regulatory agencies.

Both of the Fellmeths take particular pride in the success of their students — over 1,100 have now graduated from their programs. Many of these students worked in CPIL/CAI/EPIC policy clinics to conduct research, draft reports, and assist in legislative, agency, and/or courtroom advocacy. And many of them have gone on to successful and rewarding careers in the public interest.

For decades, the Fellmeths have devoted their professional lives to speaking out on behalf of children, especially foster youth, consumers, everyday citizens, the future, and the environment. With the academic programs successfully endowed, Bob and Julie have chosen to dedicate most of their personal assets to endow the advocacy programs of CPIL and CAI that operate from offices at USD, Sacramento, and Washington, D.C. That advocacy—which has produced over 70 enacted statutes and millions in budget commitments for consumers, children, and the environment—will be funded through an endowment established by Bob and Julie that will be named in honor of their mothers, Nancy D'Angelo and Jane Fellmeth. Leaving a lasting legacy through a planned gift or a bequest in your estate plan is a meaningful way to support the work you admire most at the USD School of Law. By choosing to remember the USD School of Law in their estate plan, the Fellmeths have extended their profound legacy at the law school.

On October 7, 2018, the School of Law honored CPIL, CAI, and EPIC by hosting a Changemaker Brunch to celebrate the accomplishments of California's premiere academic, research, and advocacy organizations seeking to improve the lives of children and youth, defend the rights of consumers, and study energy policy issues affecting California. More than 150 former students, administrators, supporters, and graduates were on hand to congratulate the Fellmeths for the work that they have so successfully accomplished, their intellectual prowess, and their political knowledge and understanding of the legislative system that is needed to protect the interests of the most vulnerable members of our collective communities.

As Paul Peterson, co-founder of the Fellmeth-Peterson Faculty Chair in Child Rights at the USD School of Law, says, *"Bob Fellmeth is a WARRIOR. He fights for those who cannot stick up for themselves."* And as Sarah Huchel, Principal Consultant to the Senate Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development, stated in her tribute to the Fellmeths during the

Changemaker Brunch, their work "has and will improve the lives of millions and millions of people." Huchel, in presenting a resolution to Julie from the State Senate, stated about her: "What Julie did far transcends any particular bill or legislation. What she did, nearly single handedly, armed with nothing other than grit, passion, and a surpassing intelligence, was to change the very DNA of California government. Go to any licensing board meeting, attend any legislative committee hearing, talk to any staffer working for any licensing board, and the primacy of consumer and patient protection is a given. Julie changed the very earth under which patients and consumers are protected in California."

Thanks to Bob and Julie's generous estate gift, the advocacy efforts of their centers will continue in perpetuity and touch millions more—including USD law students who will continue that work on behalf of the public interest, children, and the environment.

JOYCE NAGATA MAGUIRE MEMORIAL— "I REMEMBER WHEN"

For many graduates of USD, law school opened up a completely new world of opportunities. For Joyce Nagata Maguire, USD School of Law opened the door to a career path that she enjoyed, a profession that brought her joy and a life of which she had always dreamed. Joyce Nagata graduated from USD law school in 1982; she went on to practice law, marry and raise a family in Maryland. Heartbreakingly, Joyce died from complications of breast cancer in January of 2000. Losing Joyce left a great void in the family. Her parents took great solace in the care and support of the their grandchildren following Joyce's death; for years, the Nagata family searched for a significant way to celebrate the memory of Joyce Nagata Maguire in a manner that would be meaningful to the family and in a way that would remind them of the things that brought Joyce happiness. This year, Mr. Mitsuru Nagata asked his daughter, Janet Yumen, to reach out to the law school to find a way to honor of his beloved daughter and her sister.

Almost immediately, the Nagata family expressed their desire to establish an endowed student scholarship to honor and remember Joyce Nagata Maguire. As a young woman, Joyce loved attending law school at USD, and she later reveled in the practice of law. The Nagata family embraced the opportunity to extend financial support to other students to experience the same sense of accomplishment and professional fulfillment that Joyce had been so fortunate to know. The family's endowment and the name of Joyce Nagata Maguire will live on in perpetuity, providing scholarship support for generations to come. This lasting tribute to Mitsuru's daughter has provided the donor's family with a great sense of peace. A meaningful way to create a lasting tribute, is to honor a loved through the creation of an endowment that will bear his or her name forever.

Mr Nagata is grateful for each day of life and would like to be remembered as a "simple farmer who loved his family." He hopes "the recipient of this scholarship will exemplify his values of hard work, discipline, compassion and patriotism."



YOUR GIFTS AT WORK

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ALAN AND DEB BARBANEL— INVOLVEMENT, ENGAGEMENT, COMMITMENT

INVOLVEMENT

In 2016, Alan Barbanel accepted Dean Ferruolo’s invitation to join the Law Alumni Board. As a founding partner of Barbanel & Treuer in Los Angeles, Alan got involved as an active alumnus by traveling from LA to San Diego to attend board meetings several times throughout the year. He and his alumna wife Deb, graciously embraced the opportunity to support the law school’s greatest needs. The Barbanel’s immediately opened their home in the hills of Bel Air to host USD School of Law’s summertime Alumni Reception and Admitted Student Recruitment event for newly admitted law students.

For those who are old enough to remember the classic television show, “Leave it to Beaver,” the front walkway of the Barbanel’s home will be immediately recognizable. You can almost see the shadows of Ward and June Cleaver waiting by their front door to greet Wally and “the Beaver” on the steps of Alan and Deb’s white, vintage, Cape Cod home. The original owner of the home inspired the classic ‘50s sitcom that has become embedded in pop culture and the lexicon of American television history.

The first year the Barbanel’s hosted the reception was such a huge success that law alumni clamored for a repeat performance the following year. Not only is their home charming, so too are the Barbanel’s. They are authentic in their warmth and generosity, and it invites everyone to be at ease, and enjoy the Barbanel’s hospitality.

ENGAGEMENT

As luck would have it, Dean Stephen C. Ferruolo drew inspiration from the summer sky and the lights burning down below in the city of Los Angeles to make an impassioned plea for student scholarship support. **The dean’s words struck a chord with Alan and Deb Barbanel, encouraging them to**

fund an annual named scholarship for the next five years. In the final days of the law school’s comprehensive Leading Change Campaign, The Alan and Deb Barbanel Student Leadership Scholarship was established to offer scholarship support for students who have distinguished themselves as true leaders while studying at USD School of Law.

COMMITMENT

From the time that Alan and Deb Barbanel graduated together from USD School of Law in 1982, it was clear that they would make their mark on the legal and professional communities in which they both successfully orbit. They will be the first to tell you that it has been their honor to reconnect with their alma mater as a board member, hosts, donors, and as supporters of an annual named scholarship.

The first recipient of the Alan and Deb Barbanel Scholarship Fund, Carson C. Williams, thanks the donors for their generosity and for their belief in him, promising to honor the couple’s financial support by “staying relentless in [his] personal and civic pursuits.” Like his benefactors, Carson is committed to making the world a better place and helping others along the way. Carson hopes one day to emulate the involvement, engagement and commitment expressed by Alan and Deb Barbanel in the creation of their annual named scholarship that is making it possible for him to continue his education at USD School of Law.

JUDGE DAVID LARO— COLLABORATIVE PHILANTHROPY

Friends, family and colleagues have all come together to honor the rich life of Judge David Laro. On Sept. 21, the Honorable David Laro, Senior Judge of the U.S. Tax Court, passed away. Judge Laro was a visiting law professor for more than 20 years at the University of San Diego (USD) School of Law.

“Judge Laro loved teaching USD students about tax law.

He had the ability to teach complex tax provisions in a special way that everyone could understand. Judge Laro was well-respected by everyone who had the good fortune of meeting him in person. His charm, empathy, fairness, loyalty and humility will be missed." Said USD School of Law Adjunct Professor Richard A. Carpenter, '84 (JD), who spearheaded efforts to establish a scholarship in his honor, the Judge David Laro Tax Scholarship Fund recognizes Judge Laro's commitment to USD, as well as his expertise in teaching future generations of tax lawyers. The scholarship provides much needed assistance to a graduate law student studying for his or her Master of Law degree, (LLM).

Harkening back to the words of Sir Isaac Newton, "If I have seen further it is by standing on ye shoulders of giants," Michael Devitt, Professor of Law and Director of Summer Law Programs, found his own words to describe Judge Laro, "One of those giants in my life was Judge David Laro. He shined as a beacon to remind me that I belong to a noble profession. His kind thoughtful mentorship challenged me to participate broadly to accomplish much in my family, civic, academic, and cultural life. Time and time again I would sit and listen to his wise advice. His dedication to what was right in this world helped me become a better lawyer, a better teacher, and a better person. I will always love and miss my dear friend."

Judge Laro was well regarded and influenced, not only his peers, but students as well. "Defending low-income taxpayers over three semesters in the legal clinics was fulfilling and instilled in me the desire to continue using my tax law skills and experience to help others," said the current scholarship recipient, Mark Suarez, '18 (JD) and '18 (LLM). Suarez is the first in his family to attend and graduate from a four-year university, and subsequently the first to attend law school. Judge Laro was touched by the outpouring of support from his colleagues to contribute to a scholarship in his name, during the final months of his life. Happily, Judge Laro was delighted to know that Mark Suarez would be honored as the second distinguished recipient of his named scholarship, prior to the judge's passing.

Judge Laro graduated from the University of Michigan in 1964, he held a JD from University of Illinois Law School in 1967, and an LLM from New York University Law School in 1970. His family has asked that memorial donations be made to his memorial scholarship fund at USD School of Law, in lieu of flowers.

"Judge Laro was a wonderful man who I had the honor of working for at the Tax Court. He loved and looked so forward to teaching at San Diego each year. I remember quite fondly assisting him with his planning for his class. Thank you very much." —Terry Farr

"Judge Laro's favorite law clerks came from USD, I know he would want the tax program to flourish"—Nika Antonikova

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

If you have a loved one who has been impacted by USD School of Law, establishing a memorial or tribute gift is a meaningful way to honor your loved one or celebrate a special occasion while supporting the work of our mission. Your memorial or commemorative gift will be a lasting tribute to your loved one and make a difference in the lives of those we serve. This is one of the very best ways to establish a lasting legacy in the name of someone you deeply admire.

ERIN LUPFER (JD '17)—WHY I GIVE BACK

I loved my time as a student at USD Law. I had great professors and immersed myself in extracurricular activities. I served as president of the Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot (VICAM) team, was a member of the *San Diego Law Review* and Appellate Moot Court Associate Board, and participated in the Appellate Clinic led by Professor Mike Devitt and Candace Carroll. Those programs would not exist without alumni support. Thank you for your generosity, which allowed me to have an amazing law school experience. **Being involved in exceptional programs at USD School of Law inspired me to pay it forward so that students can continue to benefit from them. I am committed to making a meaningful commitment at the Maudsley Fellows Affiliate level every year.**

In my 3L year, it was my privilege to work with VICAM coach Professor David Brennan to raise money for VICAM team members to compete in international moots held in Miami, Hong Kong, and Vienna. Through this fundraising, I realized many small gifts make a big impact. Our fundraising efforts succeeded thanks to the broad support of fellow students, professors, alumni, family, and friends. I encourage recent alumni to join me in supporting the programs you loved at USD Law. A recurring gift, no matter the amount, will make a lasting impact.



NEW

PRIVATELY FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

THE FOLLOWING DONORS HAVE FUNDED A SCHOLARSHIP DURING FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

Alan H. & Deb S. Barbanel Annual Named Scholarship Fund

Baumgaertner Family Annual Named Scholarship Fund

Bruce D. & Laurie S. Poole Transaction Law Scholarship Fund

Chris P. Wesierski Annual Named Scholarship Fund

Class of 1988 Scholarship Fund

David S. Robbin Endowed Scholarship Fund

Denise M. Hickey Endowed Scholarship Fund

Distinguished Alumni Award Endowed Scholarship Fund

Frank E. & Dimitra F. Rogozienski Endowed Scholarship Fund

Gomez Trial Attorneys DACA Scholarship Fund

Jerry G. and Susan S. Gonick Student Scholarship
in Honor of Dean Stephen C. Ferruolo

Joyce Nagata Maguire/Mitsuru Nagata Memorial Endowed
Scholarship Fund

Julianne D. Fellmeth Public Interest Law Scholarship Fund

Kenneth and Thelma Doucette Annual Named Scholarship
Fund and Endowed Scholarship Fund

Kim M. and Markus P. Koro Legacy Endowed Scholarship Fund

Robert Brewer — Student Veteran Scholarship Fund

Steven J. Cologne Annual Named Scholarship Fund

VICAM Scholarship Leadership Fund

Westover-Giali Family Scholarship Fund



RENEWAL OF

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIPS

THE FOLLOWING DONORS RENEWED THEIR COMMITMENT TO FUND THEIR ANNUAL NAMED SCHOLARSHIP DURING FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

Antonyan Miranda Annual Named Scholarship Fund
DLA Piper Life Science and Technology Scholarship Fund
Finch, Thorton & Baird Scholarship Fund
Gomez Trial Attorneys Gender Equality Scholarship Fund
Harvey Levine Scholarship Fund
Higgs Fletcher and Mack LLP Diversity Scholarship Fund
Jackson Lewis Labor and Employment Scholarship Fund
James R. McCormick, Jr. — Peters & Freedman LLP
Annual Named Scholarship Fund
John H. Gomez LGBTQ Scholarship Fund
John Henkel/Linden Root Dickinson Tax Scholarship Fund
Law Alumni Board Scholarship Fund
LGBTQ Alumni Scholarship Fund
Michael J. and Deborah J. Rider Annual Scholarship Fund
Procopio International Tax Scholarship Fund
Qualcomm IP Scholarship Program Fund
Ronson J. Shamoun RJS Law — A Tax Law Scholarship Fund
Schwartz Semerdjian Cauley & Moot Community
Service Scholarship Fund
Turner Diversity Scholarship Fund



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As I was reading the candidate description for your scholarship, I truly appreciated seeing the words “committed to diversity”. As a Latina, I am humbled by and appreciative of the different people and organizations who dedicate resources to help diversify the legal field. Diversity means a great deal to me and I aim to do my part in diversifying the legal field by speaking to minority students and encourage them to pursue professions that lack diversity...Your generosity is wholly appreciated and I hope to be a student you are proud to have selected.

SONIA CONCEPCION '20 JD

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I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for awarding me with this gift. Your generosity has inspired me and provided me with the motivational boost to continue to keep working hard. I hope to one day be able to provide the same opportunity for a hard-working law student that you have provided to me.

JASMINE SAMUELS '20 JD

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Law school has been an amazing experience. I am lucky enough to have the opportunity to compete on a Moot Court National Team and to be an editor on San Diego Law Review during my last year of law school...As a student with no technical background, it has been hard to get my foot in the door with any Intellectual Property firms, so I am grateful IP Legal Advisors gave me a chance...I hope you continue to donate to USD because this scholarship made a huge difference for me.

JACOB YANG '19 JD

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As a first-generation college graduate, higher education has always been of the upmost value to me. I knew since high school that I wanted to earn a law degree, not just to build a successful, fulfilling life for myself, but to make a real contribution in society. Thanks to hard work—and generosity such as yours—I am on my way to achieving this goal.

JESSICA HOWARD '20 JD

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The scholarship I received this year came as a welcome surprise...It has helped me focus entirely on school and relevant work experience, which will further shape the vision of the kind of lawyer I want to become...My law school experience is now more gratifying than I thought possible.

MEGAN ROLL '20 JD

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I grew up knowing I wanted my job to benefit others and to wear a suit to work every day and as a child that translated into wanting to be lawyer. Thank you for your support in my academic ventures.

AMANDA BRAY '20 JD

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I was working in a career before law school that I thought was my dream job. But, that job opened my eyes to a new side of law that I had never been exposed to before and now I cannot see myself as anything but an attorney.

JILLIAN DURAN '21 JD

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APRIL 25-26, 2018

THE BIG GIVE

The BIG GIVE is a 36-hour online fundraising campaign which helps to fund key initiatives, strengthen academic programs and rally support of USD School of Law. This year's campaign was a tremendous success and raised over \$304,000 for scholarships and academic programs. This year's success can be attributed to the support of C. Edward Miller, Christopher P. Wesierski with CAL-ABOTA, Virginia C. Nelson, Sunita Martin and Jackson Lewis P.C. who provided more than \$96,000 in matching funds. Matching gifts allow our donors to double their impact by doubling the gift that they make. This helped boost alumni support and encouraged donors to increase their gifts. We received an average of six gifts an hour from family and friends.



SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO THE FOLLOWING MATCHING GIFT CONTRIBUTORS THROUGHOUT EACH BIG GIVE CAMPAIGN FROM JULY 1, 2015 TO JUNE 30, 2018:

C. EDWARD MILLER*

CHRISTOPHER P. WESIERSKI WITH CAL-ABOTA

VIRGINIA C. NELSON*

SUNITA MARTIN

JACKSON LEWIS P.C

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I had always been certain that law was the right path for me. I just had no idea that my path would lead me to San Diego. From my initial visit, I knew USD School of Law was going to be home for me, although I lived 2,300 miles away in Michigan. I had visited other campuses, but felt a connection here. From submitting my first seat deposit, to touring campus for the first time during Campus Visit Day, I was certain that USD Law was where I needed to be. Aside from its beautiful exterior, I had connected with the wonderful individuals who comprise its community. In speaking with professors and listening to the experiences of current students, I felt at home although I was approximately 2,300 miles away from it. Additionally, the generous scholarships I received upon applying to USD Law only further affirmed my decision to attend. These gifts meant the world to me, and I was determined to make my sponsors proud in my time at USD.

During the first few months of my 1L year, however, my attitude began to shift. Being surrounded by so many bright minds was awe-inspiring, yet terrifying. To be frank, I was no longer certain about my choice to attend law school. What impact could I possibly have on a legal community that was already so highly regarded? The answer came by way of a networking event in which I met upperclassmen as well as various alumni: find your passion, and enjoy your work. While this may seem to be an elementary notion, it was exactly what I needed to push past the fear that was blocking me from reaching my true potential.

After attending networking events and conversing with alumni, I had begun to put their words of advice into practice by seeking out my passion. To my delight, it has come in many forms, both in and out of the classroom. During my 2L year, I first discovered my interest in taxation and its intricacies. I explored this area of law by writing a San Diego Law Review

comment focused on recent tax reform and the resulting policy implications. In addition to my current tax curriculum and work as a tax law clerk, I plan to further develop this passion of mine by enrolling in USD Law's LL.M. in Taxation program. Thanks to alumni like you, I am genuinely thrilled to enter the legal community and practice in an area of law that excites me daily.

Outside of the classroom, I have discovered a passion for the law in the interactions I have with my peers as well as the faculty and administration. As president of the Student Bar Association, I am fortunate enough to speak with Dean Ferruolo regularly, address student concerns with the administration, and take part in the Law Alumni Board and Board of Trustees. I value each and every one of these opportunities, as they allow me to leave a lasting impact on the USD Law community.

Now, as a 3L, I look back at the events that have helped shape my legal journey. In my reflection, I have found that my interactions with alumni and the gifts I received from sponsors are what truly made this all possible for me. I sincerely thank you for your mentorship, for your dedication to student success, and for your willingness to donate. These are truly invaluable gifts that positively shape the future of students forever.

As I look ahead towards graduation and my enrollment in the LL.M. program, I am sure that I made the right decision by attending USD Law. I have learned so much about myself and my passion in my time at USD. I look forward to beginning my legal career and becoming a mentor for students like myself, just as you have all done for me.

Thank you,
Kaitlyn Forbes
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