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Frankino to Return, Named New Dean

John Driscoll, President of Villanova University, announced Friday that Steven P. Frankino has been named Dean of the Villanova School of Law.

Frankino, who held the position from 1966 through 1971, returned to Villanova after spending the past six years as Dean of the Creighton University College of Law in Omaha, Nebraska. He has also taught at Villanova.

"Frankino brings a wealth of experience to Villanova. His knowledge of Villanova and his great affection for the law school and the University are unique qualities that will assure the continued enhancement of the law school under his leadership," said Dean John E. Murray, Jr.

Professor Barry Dies

Robert A. J. Barry, a Professor of Law at Villanova School of Law, died June 20 at Bryn Mawr Hospital. He lived in Villanova and in Stockbridge, Mass.

Mr. Barry was born in Johnstown, Pa., and received degrees in physics from Harvard University and from Harvard Law School.

Mr. Barry was a professor at the School of Law since 1973; Mr. Barry practiced law in New York City for eighteen years prior to joining the faculty.

Mr. Barry's death was intensified in the loss of Bob Barry. In a very special way, Bob signified the essence of the Villanova Law School tradition. His manifest concern for his students and his colleagues was grafted in a consistent affinity that provides a welcome dimension to the entire Community. Anyone who could rely upon Bob for assistance with any problem. He exuded a selflessness to which we all aspire, but he never played the martyr. He was such a gentle man who could always be relied upon for a necessary favor, a reminder of principle and charity. We regret having had insufficient time to thank him and to tell him how important he was to our daily efforts. I am sure my colleagues join me in dedicating all of our efforts during the past year to our beloved colleague. One of his unique qualities is that of Mr. Barry pedaling his bicycle along Route 320 while being pulled along by his big shaggy dog.

Supreme Court Chief Justice-appointee William H. Rehnquist looks forward to a warm welcome at Villanova, the school he attended before entering the University of Chicago.

Robert A. J. Barry was a Professor of Law at Villanova School of Law, professor at the University of Chicago, and a member of the faculty of the University of Chicago at exercises held on May 16. Former Dean John Murray is at right.

Profs Computerize

Zenith 88 personal computers were made available this summer to every member of the Villanova School of Law faculty through the generosity of alumni, Robert G. Garbarino, Associate Dean of Administration.

The hardware purchased for each faculty member who requested it included: a Megasys hard disk, an 8088 processor, an Epson printer, and a WordPerfect program.

The cost of each unit is estimated at $1,395.

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Faculty members William Valente, John Hyson, James Mauler, Frederick Rothman and Lewis Becker in a computer lab held earlier this summer.

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Acting Dean Gerald Abraham, who had no previous experience using a personal computer as such as the Zenith, before attending the course, agreed that the computers would make the faculty more efficient. Said Abraham, "Those of us who were not computer literate, making us computers [Continued on page 10]
"All things change, and we change with them."

Unless, of course, we want to get left behind.

The School of Law has changed much over the summer. In January, the fourth dean in the school’s history, Steven Frankino will officially take over. Beloved Professor Barry is no longer with us. Denise McGarry has joined on as the new Director of Admissions. The professors have entered the computer age en masse.

The law has changed. Some of what we learned last year is now merely precedent. Which means that we have to learn yet other holdings, rationales and laws for the bar exam, not to mention, for use in practice. The novel Gramm-Rudman budget bill’s future is tentative since the Supreme Court ruled that it was unconstitutional to delegate the authority to cut spending to the Comptroller General.

The Court itself faces a crossroads. The latest Villanova honorary degree recipient will probably become the next Chief Justice. Chief Justice Warren Burger officially retired, he said, in order to devote his full attention to the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution in Philadelphia in 1987. Conservative Catholic Antonin Scalia will likely be appointed Justice.

As these things have changed, so have we. Another summer has passed and we all have new experiences and knowledge to our credit. For first-year students, the “new experiences” may soon kick into overdrive. We welcome you now, while you still have time to read this.

The fall looks to be even more productive than this summer; the Docket wishes everyone luck.

Another latin phrase seems appropriate here: de nihilo nihil

“Nothing comes from nothing.” Effort is required to produce anything of value. We encourage everyone in their best efforts. Your work reflects not only on yourself, but on the Villanova community as well. And we all learn from others, which is sort of all what academia is about. We study change, and, in turn, change because of it.

For some of us, this is the last year of law school, for others the beginning. Whatever the situation, if we make the effort to excel, our aspirations will be rewarded.
NEWS

**U.C. Assistant Named New Admissions Head**

Denise McGarry-Cocron was formerly employed as Director of Admissions and Recruitment at University College. She began work as full-time admissions director on August 20.

McGarry has been at Villanova since July 1982. Previously, she was Assistant Director of Admissions at Gwynedd Mercy College from 1973 through 1982. From July to October 1984, McGarry served as Acting Director of Admissions and Recruitment at University College.

McGarry has a bachelor's degree in English from Gwynned Mercy College. She completed her master's degree in English at Villanova this summer. Acting Dean Gerald Abraham expressed confidence that "even though she [McGarry] doesn't have specific law school experience, she has the enthusiasm and general admissions experience" to be very successful in her new position.

Abraham stated that despite the minimum requirement of a bachelor's degree, over 200 applications were received for the position vacated when former director Sandra Mannix accepted a position as Vice President for Student Affairs at the Pennsylvania College of Podiatric Medicine.

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**A Plan Is on Ice**

Computers Also Upgraded

by Sue French

A plan to improve the cooling system in the main reading room of the Pulling Law Library was approved at the July meeting of the Villanova Board of Trustees. Associate Dean for Administration Robert Garbarino announced. In addition, funding was made available this summer to upgrade the library's student computer and photocopy facilities. Law Library Director Alan Holoch said.

The climate-related work is necessitated by a faulty design in the air control system originally installed in that wing of the building. Garbarino continued, which results in the effective cooling of the attic, but not of the room itself. Holoch, who described the main reading room as "fortress-like," commented that the library is mostly used in the fall when we conduct legal research, classes, and in the spring when students are studying for exams, which is when it [the excessive heat] was the worst.

"We're hoping it [the work on the cooling system] can be done during the Christmas holiday," Garbarino said. He explained that the renovations include installing air conditioning, rearranging the vending machines to maximize space efficiency, installing carpeting, the laying of new floor tiles in the area surrounding the vending machines, painting the former "coffee room" into white, the purchase of a new refrigerator, and replacement of the furniture. The area, also known as the "coffee room," was said to have the reputation as being the dingiest most cigarette-smoke-filled room in Gwynned Mercy. Garbarino noted that since "students are there in the vending room all the time" it was important that the room receive attention.

The color scheme planned for the room is red, white and blue, Garbarino said. Elaborating, he explained that red "is the color of the American flag," blue "is the color of the sky," and white is the "replacement floor tile is going to be white, white, white!"

The new furniture, which Garbarino described as "imitation cherry, oak, maple, and mahogany," was ordered with "wooden 'captains chairs' similar to those in the student union's Minute Man's Room." The furniture, Garbarino said, "is expected to be delivered in a month to the snack bar section of the school's cafeteria, is expected in a month."

Garbarino expressed a fear that because of their attractiveness and value, the chairs and micro-cabinets might be stolen. "It will be difficult to keep the chairs and micro-cabinets*[1]* from being stolen."

The addition of a drop ceiling is planned, Garbarino said, but not until "the right kind of drop ceiling*[2]* is available for its inclusion." Garbarino commented that "the drop ceiling would become available for the job next year."

**First-year Facts from A to Z...**

Profiling the Class of '89

by Denise McGarry-Cocron

As the new Director of Admissions, I feel a special affinity with the members of this incoming class. Both of us are embarking on a new course that promises to be challenging, exciting, and of course rewarding. As new students, you may be anxious about the next three years, about the classes, professors and exams, but you have chosen an excellent law school which has earned a respected reputation new to this area, but nationally, as well. Villanova Law School maintains an atmosphere of concern and caring for its students. The faculty and administration will not only prepare you to become excellent lawyers, but also to become the best person you can be.

Since you will be spending so much time together over the next three years, you might be interested in a few facts and figures about your fellow classmates. As of August 14, the class of 1989 consists of 151 males and 92 females. The average GPA is 3.26, an increase over last year, and the average LSAT is 557. You come to Villanova from around the country, as far south as Florida, as far north as Maine, and as far west as Oregon, with the majority (over 56%) of you residing in our home state of Pennsylvania. In addition, the educational background of the incoming class is equally diverse. Eighty members of the class have achieved advanced degrees, such as political science (36%), accounting (9%) with English and history tying for third place. Other majors included education, theatre and music, in addition to the traditional majors such as business administration, psychology and sociology. Twenty of the class have achieved advanced degrees, from a Master of Arts in Anthropology to a doctorate in Psychology, with two students achieving an MBA.

The colleges and universities from which you graduated range from large schools to small, from urban to suburban from Albright to York College, with over nine percent coming from our own backyard, Villanova University. Pennsylvania State University, Notre Dame, and the Ivy League are adequately represented, as is our basketball arch-rival, George-town University.

As you can see, the class of 1989 is diverse, but with that diversity comes balance. You have something special to offer to your classmates and to Villanova. In an atmosphere of scholarship and co-op operation, we all learn something, and the experience, as well as ourselves, becomes richer for it.

Since I am new to the law school, I have not met many of you, but I look forward to the opportunity to meet you to learn more about you and why you chose Villanova. My door is always open, so please feel free to stop by to let me know how things are going.
Three Recruitment Programs to Be Offered This Fall

Villanova University School of Law offers its three recruitment programs, the fall in addition to the Placement Center’s 6 job listings services. The fall programs in the fall and will attract 89 employers — an all-time high. This period allows for gradu­ates 1989 to practice job search.

Sixteen additional employers have requested student resumes and may join the fair.

The Class of 1985 results showed a rise in full-time employment above the law school national average of 92%, which was $10,200, range from $18,000 to $50,000, 62% of the law school. Half of these graduates were employed by law firms with 15 or more attorneys. This is an impres­sive statement since only 15 12% of all graduates have more than 20 attorneys.

Class of 1985 Employer Categories

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Placement Director Joan Beck discusses a student’s resume.

Employment Advice for IL’s Outline

by Joan McDonald Beck, Director of Placement

Welcome to each member of the Class of 1989. Most first­year students are eager to learn law, but apprehensive about employment in the profession. Villanova law school is receiving re­quests to hire Villanova law graduates and there is more than 95% employment of its...