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Villanova Law School was founded in 1953 to meet the need for a law school associated with a Roman Catholic university in the Philadelphia area. Shortly after graduation of its first class, Villanova received full accreditation from the American Bar Association, and was accepted into membership by the Association of American Law Schools. In 1962, Villanova became the first law school attached to a church related university to be awarded a chapter of the Order of the Coif, a selective law school honor society. The school now has well over 2500 graduates located in thirty states, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, Canada, and other foreign countries.

With a student body of approximately 630 men and women, Villanova is large enough to offer a wide diversity of course offerings yet small enough to maintain a ratio of approximately 26 students to each faculty member. A significant number of older students bring an enriching perspective to classrooms and student activities. The number of women entering the law school has increased over the past few years, and women now comprise more than 35 percent of the entering class.

Tuesday, October 28, 1980
8:00 P.M.
Garey Hall
Villanova Law School
Raoul Berger has had a distinguished career as a public servant, legal scholar and author. He holds an LL.M. from Harvard University, a J.D. from Northwestern University and an A.B. from the University of Cincinnati. In addition he holds honorary degrees from the University of Michigan and the University of Cincinnati.

Professor Berger was the Charles Warren Senior Fellow in American Legal History at Harvard Law School from 1971 to 1976, where he is now an Emeritus Fellow, and taught at University of California at Berkeley Law School from 1962 to 1965.

His government career included service as Supervising Attorney with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Special Assistant to the United States Attorney and General Counsel to the Alien Property Custodian.

Among Professor Berger's many publications are: Government by Judiciary: The Transformation of the Fourteenth Amendment (1977); Executive Privilege: A Constitutional Myth (1974); Impeachment: Some Constitutional Problems (1973); Congress v. The Supreme Court (1969), as well as numerous articles.

Professor Berger maintained an active private practice in Washington and Chicago until 1962.

An accomplished violinist, Professor Berger has served as soloist with the Cleveland Orchestra, concertmaster with the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, and first violinist with the Cincinnati String Quartet.

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**THE RESPONDENTS**

**Professor Donald W. Dowd**
Professor of Law
Villanova University Law School

Professor Dowd graduated from Harvard College in 1951 and Harvard Law School in 1954. He then attended University of Rome on a Fulbright Fellowship and practiced in New York for several years. He has taught Constitutional Law at Villanova since 1962 and conducted a seminar on Separation of Powers.

**Professor Gerald E. Frug**
Professor of Law
University of Pennsylvania Law School

Professor Frug graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1960 and from Harvard Law School in 1963. He teaches Urban Government and Separation of Powers at the University of Pennsylvania Law School, and was a visiting professor at Harvard Law School. Professor Frug served as General Counsel to the City of New York, Chairman of the E.E.O.C. and was in private practice in New York and California.

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Raoul Berger has had a distinguished career as public servant, legal scholar, and author. He holds degrees from four universities, including two doctoral degrees conferred in 1976 and 1978 in recognition of his scholarly achievements and public service.

His career in government included service as special assistant to the U.S. Attorney General; as General Counsel to the Alien Property Custodian during W.W. II, and as a supervising attorney with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

His law school affiliations include a term as Prof. of Law at U. California, Berkeley, from 1962-1965, and as Charles Warren, Sr., Fellow in American Legal History, Harvard Law School from 1971-1976 (now emeritus). His more recent major texts, all published by the Harvard University Press, include:

- Congress v. The Supreme Court (1969)
- Impeachment: Some Constitutional Problems (1973)
- Gov't by Judiciary: The Transformation of the Fourteenth Amendment (1977)

Though emeritus, Professor Berger continues to contribute articles to law reviews and other periodicals, and to deliver special lectures at leading universities and law schools.

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