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Class of 1971 Five Year Report Dean's Letter

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THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
LAW SCHOOL
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN 48104

OFFICE OF THE DEAN
HUTCHINS HALL

September 28, 1976

Dear '71 Graduate:

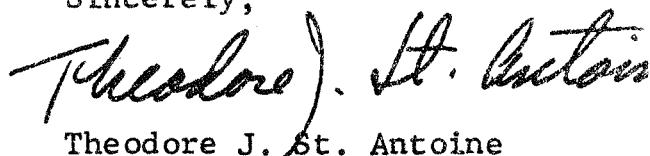
For several years the Law School has been engaged in an important project that has required the interest and cooperation of our alumni groups. This year we are requesting assistance from the members of the Class of 1971. Let me quickly add that the assistance I have in mind does not involve a financial contribution to the School.

Twelve years ago we began to collect information about the careers and present status of members of the class that had graduated from the Law School fifteen years before. The response to these surveys has been excellent. As a result, we have been able to match information in our files about an individual's admission test score, Law School grades, and other background data with facts concerning his or her subsequent career during the following fifteen years. We are confident that the information collected has been of interest to members of these classes and has proved to be a value to the School in assessing its instructional program and admissions standards, and in counseling our present students.

Our fifteen-year graduates have nonetheless pointed out one deficiency in our approach. After a decade and a half, these alumni do not feel familiar enough with the current curriculum of the Law School to comment authoritatively on it. Moreover, we ourselves have felt that relatively recent law school graduates might view their educational needs differently than older alumni. For these reasons, we decided three years ago to supplement our fifteen-year survey with a five-year survey.

A questionnaire for the Class of 1971 is being printed now and will be mailed to you soon. Other explanations and instructions will accompany it. We shall very much appreciate your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,


Theodore J. St. Antoine
Dean

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