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Thank you for your support during uncertain times

Around the world, the past two years have been among the most economically challenging since the Great Depression, when the last building in the Law Quadrangle, Hutchins Hall, was completed.

Yet at a time when most organizations have seen the level of private gifts decline, Michigan Law has more than held its own, because of the dedication of loyal alumni like you.

It’s entirely due to your generosity that last month the Law School broke ground for the newest members of the Quad family: the academic building and Law School Commons. The honor roll on the next page lists all alumni and friends who helped us take this major step, and in the following pages, you’ll read a few of their stories.

You’ll also read about donors whose gifts for scholarships and research support are providing necessary assistance to the students and faculty who will use the building. And you’ll read about alumni who choose to support the Law School Fund, the most important source of discretionary funding available to Dean Caminker.

It’s because of their help, and the generosity of you who share their philanthropic passions, that Michigan Law remains a sought-after destination for students, a vibrant scholarly community for faculty, and a place where new initiatives in legal education, such as our International Transactions Clinic, are tried with great success.

Our work together does not end there. We must raise the funds to complete the building project during construction. And the Law School’s need for support for students, faculty, and programs is as great as it has ever been.

While no one can predict the economic future, I want to express my hope that your partnership with Michigan Law will endure—that despite uncertain times, your belief in the Law School’s mission and the work we are doing here will inspire you to continue generously sharing your resources and time with us.

And I want to express my deepest appreciation for all that you have made possible here already. We couldn’t do it without you.

Sincerely,

Todd M. Baily
Assistant Dean for Development and Alumni Relations
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The late Terrence A. Elkes, ’58, knew from experience that great teachers can change lives. A professor ignited Elkes’ interest in the law when he persuaded the promising City College of New York undergraduate to take his seminar on Roman law. Years later, Elkes would advise his three sons, “Take the professor, not the course.”

When Elkes sought to create a program that would make a difference at Michigan Law, faculty support was an obvious choice. Since 1998, the Elkes Fund for Faculty Excellence, established by Elkes and his wife, Ruth, has made it possible for many Michigan Law faculty members to take much-needed time for scholarship.

Through the support of the Elkes Leaves program, as it is known, tenured full professors have completed books, jump-started scholarly research after years of administrative service, published multiple articles, and advanced other projects to burnish their academic reputations—and by extension, that of Michigan Law.

The University and the Law School lost two great friends when Ruth and Terry Elkes passed away within two months of each other, in November 2007 and January 2008. But the couple thoughtfully provided that the Elkes Leaves program will endure in perpetuity, and left an endowment gift of $5 million in their estate for that purpose.

“My father understood that Michigan, both as a public institution and geographically, had disadvantages relative to some of its competitors in this regard,” says Dan Elkes, a son of Ruth and Terry, speaking on behalf of the Elkes Foundation. “By setting up this program, I believe he hoped to level the playing field and enable Michigan to attract the faculty that it deserves.”

His parents were always altruistic, Dan recalls, giving their time and resources to the causes they believed in and encouraging their sons to do the same. Ruth Elkes, BA ’59, was a dedicated community volunteer. At Michigan, Terry Elkes was trustee of the William W. Cook Trust, a President’s Advisory Group member, and a fundraiser, among other volunteer roles. The couple also established two scholarships at Michigan Law.

After law school, Terry Elkes became a lawyer, then president and CEO of Viacom International, and later president of Apollo Partners, which invests in media and entertainment companies.

But he never forgot that Michigan offered him the scholarship he needed to attend law school. And he never forgot that, when his own father was dying of leukemia in New York, his fellow students at Michigan pooled their resources so he could afford the trip home.

“This generosity, and the very personal nature of the acts, left an indelible impression on my father,” says Dan Elkes. “And of course, Michigan is where he and my mother met, so it was special to them for that reason as well.”

Wishing to honor their parents at an institution that was meaningful to both, Dan and his brothers have made an additional $1 million commitment to the Law School’s building project. Terry Elkes was considering donating to the building project prior to his death, and his sons wanted to honor their father’s wishes—a gesture they felt was all the more important given the uncertainty of the economy and its potential effect on the project.

Dean Evan Caminker says both the endowment of the Elkes Leaves program and the building gift will ensure that the Elkes name continues to live and to make a difference at Michigan Law.

“Terry Elkes was one of the best friends this Law School and this University will ever have,” says Dean Caminker. “The Elkes Fund for Faculty Excellence is a tremendous asset for Michigan Law in our ongoing effort to recruit and retain world-class faculty doing leading-edge scholarship. And we are deeply grateful to the Elkes Foundation for honoring Terry and Ruth with a gift for our new building, where we will be proud to recognize their thoughtfulness and vision.”

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Facilities support

William R. Jentes, ’56

Bill Jentes, ’56, one of the Law School’s long-time supporters, has recently made a gift of $1.5 million to the building fund to help in the construction of much-needed new classrooms, expanded legal clinic facilities, and gathering space for students. His gift is motivated by the desire to help the Law School with its highest philanthropic priority.

“The new academic building and Commons are beautiful, highly functional spaces that will considerably enhance Michigan Law’s ability to fulfill its mission of first-rate teaching and scholarship,” says Jentes. “I have always appreciated the superlative education I received at Michigan, and I’m pleased to help make this historic project a reality.”

The new commitment by Jentes continues his dedication as one of the Law School’s most engaged graduates. In 1989 he created the Jentes Scholars Program, which has awarded full scholarships to nine students annually on the basis of undergraduate achievement and potential to excel at Michigan Law.

In addition, he has frequently taught a seminar at Michigan on complex litigation, his specialty at Kirkland & Ellis in Chicago, where he practiced for nearly four decades, and where he acted as lead trial and appellate counsel in many of the firm’s most significant cases. Jentes now serves as an independent arbitrator and mediator of major domestic and international commercial disputes.

Building support/Memorial giving

Todd J. Anson, ’80, and John A. Denniston, ’83

They met playing basketball at U-M’s Intramural Sports Building, when Todd Anson, ’80, was in law school and John Denniston, ’83, was an undergraduate.

Their friendship blossomed when both worked as associates, then as partners in the San Francisco office of Brobeck, Phleger and Harrison, returning to the Law School as a team every fall to recruit young lawyers and cheer for the Wolverines.

Now the two have come together to create a lasting memorial to Denniston’s father, John L. Denniston, ’51—“as loyal a Michigan man as ever there was,” his son says. They have made a joint gift of $500,000 for the building project to name a space in the Quad for the elder Denniston.

“It was Todd’s idea, and I’m forever indebted to him,” says Denniston, of Atherton, California. “My dad was my hero and my role model.” He hopes their joint gift will motivate other friends to consider doing the same.

Both men were inspired by Denniston senior, whom they affectionately called “Pops,” and who was a name partner in the Chicago law firm he helped found.

Each was a Midwesterner—Anson from Mount Pleasant, Michigan; Denniston from Winnetka, Illinois—and each forged a career path that led eventually from the law firm into real estate development (Anson) and into green-tech venture capital (Denniston).

And they treasured those annual football weekends in Ann Arbor, when they’d sit with Pops on the 50-yard line of Michigan Stadium.

“I looked forward to seeing John’s dad every year,” says Anson, of Coronado, California, and Charlevoix, Michigan. “That was when I learned how to really appreciate the University, Michigan athletics, and the Law School. That was the gift that they gave to me.”

Anson has passed along those passions to his sons, Christopher, a 1L at Michigan, and Ryan, a senior undergraduate in LSA. “I know that traces back to John’s very special relationship with his father,” he says.
Bob Kohorst, ’78, and Shelley Allen

For a while after Law School graduation, Bob Kohorst, ’78, followed a typical graduate’s path: federal clerkship, firm practice, a stint with a corporate client as its investment banker.

Then Kohorst caught the entrepreneurial bug. So he tried a couple of startups before deciding to do what he knew he did best: real estate financing.

Today he is president of Everest Properties in Pasadena, California, a real estate holdings company that owns apartment complexes and self-storage companies nationwide. He enjoys the intellectual complexity of the work and says his undergraduate accounting training and his Michigan Law tax and securities classes have provided a firm foundation.

Modest about his success, he credits luck, the choice to surround himself with smart people and—with his wife, Shelley Allen—the readiness to risk all on an enterprise that wasn’t a sure thing.

“The way we looked at it was that nothing bad could happen to us, because we always had each other and our kids,” says Kohorst, of Pasadena.

Bob and Shelley recently made a $300,000 gift to the building project, bringing their total building commitment to $400,000. The couple also made a $50,000 Law School Fund gift in honor of Bob’s 30th reunion.

“We are glad that we can share our success,” says Kohorst, who has lifelong friends and many fond memories from his three years in the Lawyers Club. “You’re really living the law in those buildings.”

John F. Nickoll, ’60

Ever since John F. Nickoll earned his J.D. in 1960, he has made a point of giving generous amounts of time and resources back to the Law School. Recently, Nickoll revised his estate plan to include a bequest of $1 million for the building project, bringing his total commitment to the project to $1.5 million.

“I want to help out in any way I can, and the Law School really needs the new facilities,” says Nickoll, of Los Angeles. “I think it will help the reputation of both the Law School and the University.”

Like almost all Michigan Law alumni, Nickoll has his favorite places in the Law Quad complex. He lived in the Lawyers Club during his 1L year and “always loved the Law Library,” he says.

A Milwaukee native, Nickoll returned there after Law School to take a house counsel job. He moved to Los Angeles in 1963. In 1970 he co-founded The Foothill Group Inc., a specialized financial services company later acquired by Norwest, which merged in 1998 with Wells Fargo & Company. Upon Nickoll’s retirement in 2006 as president, chairman, and chief executive officer, Wells Fargo Foothill was the nation’s largest bank-owned asset-based lender.

In retirement Nickoll enjoys world travel with his wife, Patty, but especially treasures their time in Hawaii, where the couple has another home.

His generosity extends to all the institutions that have educated him, even his high school. “I have very warm feelings toward Michigan,” Nickoll notes.

Nickoll served on the steering committee for the Law School’s successful portion of the Michigan Difference campaign, when he established the John F. Nickoll Professorship, currently held by Jessica Litman.
Building support

Mary Snapp, '84

When the Law School launched its campaign more than five years ago, Mary Snapp, '84, stepped up with both time and resources. She made a major gift to the building project, in addition to a Law School Fund commitment, and she served on the Campaign Steering Committee.

As the Law School continues to fundraise for the building project, Snapp, of Seattle, has expanded upon her commitment with an additional gift of $500,000, bringing her giving total for the project to $750,000.

“I am delighted to provide support for Michigan Law’s beautiful new academic building and Law School Commons,” says Snapp. “I know that these new facilities are an important factor in the quality of education for students and professors, and I’m excited to see what the expansion will make possible for Michigan Law’s learning community.”

She has generously served the Law School in other significant ways, including speaking at several campus programs and hosting events, most recently a reception at her home in June to introduce the building plans to Seattle-area alumni.

Snapp is Corporate Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of the Online Services & Advanced Technologies practice group in Microsoft’s Law and Corporate Affairs department. She joined Microsoft in 1988 as an attorney in the Law and Corporate Affairs department. Previously she was an attorney with the Seattle law firm now known as K & L Gates. Snapp is a frequent speaker at both public and internal forums on legal issues related to intellectual property and diversity.

Building support

Barbara Rom, '72

Barbara Rom, '72, is a dedicated ambassador for Michigan Law. She has served as national chair of the Law School Fund, on the Dean’s Advisory Council, and on her class’s reunion committee, among other roles.

Rom, of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, chaired a Law School event in April to present the new building plans to Detroit-area alumni. She was forthright with her pitch, announcing her own significant gift to the project and urging others to follow suit.

“What Michigan represents to me is an extraordinary education for ordinary people,” said Rom, who gave $150,000 to the building project. “I want to do my part to thank the State of Michigan for providing an education for me and my family.”

Growing up in Detroit, Rom was inspired to dream of a legal career not by female role models—it wasn’t many—but by The Defenders TV show. She came to Michigan for undergraduate school, and a visit to the Law Quad determined her path for good.

Law firm jobs for women were scarce in 1972, so Rom began her career with Bendix Corporation. Attracted to bankruptcy law, she later joined Hertzberg, Jacob & Weingarten, whose bankruptcy group became part of Pepper Hamilton LLP in 1989.

After 37 years of practice, she continues to serve as the Detroit office’s attorney in charge until her planned retirement in December. A nationally known bankruptcy attorney, Rom said the specialty exceeded her expectations.

“The field was so much more exciting than I ever anticipated,” she said. “The cases are never routine.”
Building support

The Loeks Family

Three generations of the Loeks family have come together to make a $250,000 contribution to the new Law School building through a matching challenge, which has inspired other alumni in western Michigan to join in supporting the building project.

The Loeks family includes three Michigan Law alumni, Barrie Lawson Loeks, ’79, her nephew Ari Gilder, ’03, and her niece Jenna Clemens, ’07, in addition to her daughter, Jamie Loeks, who is a current Law School student. They’re joined by Barrie’s husband Jim, BGS ’78, and Jim’s mother, Ruth S. Loeks of Grand Rapids, “who is thrilled that three of her grandchildren have attended the Law School, and knows how much the University means to Jim and to all of us,” says Barrie Loeks, adding that “Ruth is a great booster of Michigan, and with our family spread all over the country, she realizes that the University of Michigan is a wonderful tie that will always connect us with the state.”

A longtime volunteer for the Law School, Barrie Loeks has been involved with the building project for more than 10 years. “The Law Quad is a really special place for all Law School alumni, and it's wonderful to have a project that will give the School the space it desperately needs while complementing the beauty of the Quad. We’ve been working on this for a long time, and we're very motivated to help get the building underway.”

But the family recognizes that the uncertain economy is, for many alumni, a stumbling block to giving. Hence the idea of a challenge, with up to $250,000 in gifts matched by the Loeks family, with the goal of raising a total of $500,000 for the building.

It’s also a teachable moment. “We’re trying to create a template and a tradition for the next generation of the family to be supporters of the Law School,” Loeks says.

Barrie and Jim Loeks are now retired from their careers in the entertainment industry and have moved from New York back to their Michigan roots where they are enjoying the pursuit of new opportunities and creative projects—Jim as a painter, Barrie as a writer. She just finished her first novel, a mystery set in a milieu she knows well: the movie theater business.

Law School Fund Leadership Giving

Kerry A. Galvin, ’86

Kerry A. Galvin, ’86, came to law school with an undergraduate degree in foreign relations, drawn by Michigan’s reputation and international programs. While she found her skill set more suited to the corporate realm than to international trade law, her legal education did not disappoint.

“Michigan helped prepare me to be the best possible lawyer I could be,” says Galvin, of Houston.

In appreciation, Galvin has made gifts to the Law School Fund for more than two decades, most recently a leadership gift of $30,000.

“The best way I can give back is to try to help other people have the same fantastic experience I did,” she says.

After Law School graduation, Galvin practiced with a firm in Houston for four years, then worked for Houston-based Lyondell Chemical Company for 18 years, the last eight as general counsel. When the company was acquired in December 2007, Galvin decided to take a mid-career sabbatical. She has made the most of it, primarily using the time to travel, catch up with family and friends, and pursue her own projects, in addition to some consulting work. She serves on the board of the University of Michigan Alumni Association and has read student briefs for the Law School’s annual moot court competition.

With time to recharge, she’s eager to use her legal and business skills in a new setting.

“I feel very blessed to have the opportunity to do this,” she says. “It has given me a chance to reflect on what I want to do in the next phase of my life.”
Scholarships/Reunion Giving

James R. Jenkins, ’73, and Anita H. Jenkins, ’74

When James R. (Jim) Jenkins, ’73, and Anita H. Jenkins, ’74, of Midland, Michigan, considered their class reunion gifts, they decided a 35-for-35 formula sounded just right: $35,000 from each of the alumni couple to celebrate 35 years.

So they added $70,000 to the scholarship fund they endowed at the Law School in 2005, which provides financial aid for students from historically underrepresented groups.

The “why” of the gift was simple.

“It’s the right thing to do,” says Anita Jenkins, now retired after a career as a tax lawyer with The Dow Chemical Company. “We believe that at some point you have enough, and then you share more of your time, talent, and treasure. This is what our parents did.”

Jim Jenkins added, “We are pleased to assist others in having the opportunity to obtain the excellent and future-focused preparation that we had when we were at the University of Michigan.”

They have also been loyal supporters of the Law School Fund for more than 25 years, including several recent years at the Cavaedium Society level of more than $2,500 annually.

Jim Jenkins is Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Deere & Company. Both he and Anita earned their undergraduate degrees from Michigan, as did their children, James R. II and Andrea Louise. Andrea also has created an endowed scholarship for the benefit of historically underrepresented groups in the University’s College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.

Scholarships

Bodman LLP endows Rohr Scholarship

Detroit-based Bodman LLP has established a new scholarship honoring the memory of its former chairman, Richard D. Rohr, ’53. The firm’s gift of $100,000 was matched by $50,000 from President Mary Sue Coleman’s scholarship challenge program.

The Richard D. Rohr Scholarship benefits students who plan to practice law in southeast Michigan.

“Under Richard Rohr’s leadership, Bodman grew into one of the largest and most successful firms in southeast Michigan,” said Bodman’s chairman, Larry R. Shulman, ’78. “He had close ties with the University of Michigan Law School as an alumnus, donor, and adjunct faculty member. It is fitting that we help foster the future leaders of Detroit’s legal community at his alma mater.”

Rohr, who chaired Bodman for 25 years, died in 2008 at age 81. He joined Bodman after graduating from Law School and spent his entire legal career with the firm. His expertise was in corporate, banking, and securities law. Rohr was also an adjunct faculty member at Michigan Law.
Here are a few of the most recent gifts from the many alumni and friends who are supporting all facets of the Law School’s work:

Stanley N. Bergman, ’59, and Lilian Bergman, of Woodbridge, Connecticut, have made a gift of $100,000 to the building project in honor of his 50th class reunion. Stan is a senior partner with Withers Bergman, LLP, in New York City.

Terrance L. Carlson, ’78, of Minneapolis, who will retire November 1 from his position as senior vice president, general counsel, and secretary of Medtronic Inc. in Minneapolis, has made a gift of $100,000 to the building project.

Mark E. Ferguson, ’83, and Elizabeth B. Yntema, ’84, of Winnetka, Illinois, have made a gift of $62,500 to the building project in honor of their 25th class reunions. Mark is a partner with Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott in Chicago.

Charles S. Ferrell, ’77, and Anne Ferrell, MBA ’77, of Minneapolis, have made a gift of $50,000 to the building project. Charlie is a partner with Faegre & Benson in Minneapolis.

Mark A. Filippell, ’79, and Buffy Filippell, of Shaker Heights, Ohio, have made a gift of $50,000 to the building project. Mark is a managing director of Western Reserve Partners LLC in Cleveland.

Ronald A. Klein, BA ’80, JD ’83, and Stacy M. Klein, BA ’89, of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, have made a gift to establish the Ronald and Stacy Klein Endowed Scholarship Fund, matched by additional funds from President Mary Sue Coleman’s Donor Challenge. The Kleins have also remembered the Law School in their estate plan with a gift to continue funding their scholarship. Ron is chief executive officer of Origen Financial Inc. in Southfield, Michigan.

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Robert B. Knauss, ’79 (left), of San Marino, California, and Charles H. Knauss, ’81 (right), of Chevy Chase, Maryland, have made a gift of $50,000 to the building project honoring their father, Robert L. Knauss, ’57, of Burton, Texas, and their family legacy at Michigan Law. Rob is a partner in the Los Angeles office of Munger, Tolles & Olson; Chuck is a partner in the Washington office of Bingham McCutchen; their father is a former member of the faculty.

S. Timothy Kochis, ’73, of San Francisco, has made a gift of $100,000 to the building project. Tim is Chief Executive Officer and founder of Aspiriant in San Francisco.

Herbert Kohn, BA ’60, JD ’63, and Nancy Kohn, BA ’62, of Kansas City, Missouri, have made a planned gift of $100,000 for the ultimate benefit of
the Law School. They are also supporters of the Law School Fund at the Cavaedium Society level. Herb is a partner in Bryan Cave’s Kansas City office. He served on the Law School’s campaign steering committee.

Frederick Mahan, ’57, of San Francisco, has made a gift of $100,000 to the building project. He is retired after a successful career with his own firm, which focused on insurance litigation, and is now pursuing his passion for writing.

William C. Marcoux, BA ’78, JD ’81, and Marina Marcoux, of London, have made a gift of $100,000 to the building project. Bill is a partner in Dewey & LeBoeuf’s London office.

Melvyn Mark, ’59, of Belvedere-Tiburon, California, has made a gift of $50,000 through the Herbst Foundation to the building project, in honor of his 50th class reunion. He is a member of Feuerzeig, Mark & Chavin, LLP.

Gail Odgers, BS ’59, and Dick Odgers, BA ’59, JD ’61, of Mill Valley, California, have made a gift of $50,000 to the building project. Dick is a retired partner in the San Francisco office of Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP. He served on the Law School’s campaign steering committee.

David Patterson, ’74, and Carolyn Patterson, of Columbus, Ohio, have made a gift of $50,000 to the building project and an additional gift of $12,500 to the Law School Fund for recognition at the Cavaedium Society level, both in honor of his 35th class reunion. David is the sole proprietor of Patterson Law Office in Columbus, specializing in alternative dispute resolution services.

Burt P. Rosen, ’79, and Adrienne Rosen, of Pleasantville, New York, have made a gift of $50,000 to the building project in honor of Burt’s 30th class reunion. He is a partner in the New York office of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP.

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