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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

RES GESTAE
Jan. 16, 1976

TEDDY BARE

C. Sutker
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You deserve a break today, So go out and get a lay*

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9:00 FRIDAY, JANUARY 16
FREE ADMISSION- FREE BEER
LAWYER'S CLUB LOUNGE

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Written by
two girls
who were only
kidding.

SATURDAY

As the initial film of a new and
entertaining season, the Law
School's Film Committee is
pleased to present
"THE SEVEN YEAR ITCH"
with Marilyn Monroe

Saturday, January 17
at 7 and 9 p.m.
Room 100 Hutchins Hall
Admission free with current
Law School fee receipt or $1

NOTICES

To: The Faculty and Students
From: Dean Theodore J.St.Antoine
Re: Professor Harry Edwards

Harry Edwards has accepted an
invitation to remain at Harvard.
On behalf of all of us, I have
extended to him best wishes for
much success in his new position.

WANTED ! A reader to assist blind
law student with caseclub research.
I am offering $2.00 per hour for
each reader, and would prefer secon
doing or third year student since all
other first year students have
their own caseclub assignments.
However, I will also consider in-
quiries from first year students.
Please call Linda Hunt at 665-6926
for further information.

NOTICE

Due to problems at the Copy Center, all
student organizations must have items
authorized before they will be copied on
the Senate Account. Please leave all
items at the Copy Center with the proper
form, name of organization, and budget
account that it falls within. Items will
then be authorized by either the Senate
treasurer or secretary. Xerox room
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of the job, please note date and place
the yellow receipt in the treasurer's box
at the Lawyer's Club.

B. Butts

THE HOWARD C. SCHWAB MEMORIAL AWARD ESSAY
CONTEST IN THE FIELD OF FAMILY LAW
1976

Awards granted from fund created by the
Toledo Bar Association, administered by
the Ohio State Bar Association Foundation
Implemented, Conducted and Sponsored by
the Family Law Section of the American
The Howard C. Schwab Memorial Award Essay Contest is conducted annually by the Family Law Section of the American Bar Association in cooperation with the Toledo Bar Association and the Ohio Bar Association as a memorial to their deceased leader. The prizes are awarded from a memorial fund created by the Toledo Bar Association and administered by the Ohio State Bar Foundation.

Howard C. Schwab was Chairman-Elect of the Family Law Section of the ABA at the time of his death on February 24, 1969. He was a Past President of the Toledo Bar Association and Past Chairman of the Family Law Committee of the Ohio Bar Association.

PURPOSE OF THE CONTEST

To create a greater interest in the field of Family Law among all law students of the nation, and particularly the Law Student Division of the American Bar Association.

ELIGIBILITY OF CONTESTANTS

All second and third year students enrolled in ABA-approved law schools, and first year students enrolled in said schools where the subject of family law is part of the first year curriculum, are eligible to compete, except employees of the American Bar Association, or Toledo Bar Association.

AUTHORSHIP

Each entry shall be the work of a single individual.

AWARDS

The winners of first, second, and third places as selected and announced by the judges, will be presented with cash awards in the amounts of $500, $300, and $200, respectively. Judges will be designated members of the Family Law Section.

SUBJECT MATTER OF ESSAY

Subject may be any aspect of Family Law which the contestant chooses. Suggested length - about 3,000 words, though not limited to this number; may be more or less, as the subject merits. Essays scheduled to be published, and/or essays which have previously been published, are ineligible for consideration.

Entries will be judged on the basis of timeliness of subject, practicality, originality, quality of research, and clarity of style.

Prize-winning essays which have previously been published in the Family Law Quarterly may be found in Vol. VIII #1 p. 51; VII #4 p. 433; VI #4 p. 405; VI #3 p. 279; VI #2 p. 145; V #3 p. 369; V #1 p. 32; and IV #3 pp. 209, 230, 280.

ENTRY PROCEDURE

Law students desiring to enter the contest should write to Howard C. Schwab Memorial Award Essay Contest, Section of Family Law, American Bar Association, 1155 East 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637, requesting an entry form, which must be completed and returned with the essay. The entry form will contain a number to be placed by the contestant in the upper right hand corner of each page of the essay. Contestant's name is not to be on any copy of the submitted essay. Contestant's identities will not be known to the judges. Six copies of the essay must be submitted. Xerox copies or good carbon copies are acceptable. Entries for the 1976 awards must be submitted to the Howard C. Schwab Memorial Award Essay Contest, at the above address, postmarked on or before April 19, 1976.

The Law Spouses Association cordially invites all law students and their guests to attend the annual Faculty-Student Progressive Dinner to be held on Saturday, Feb. 7.

The Progressive Dinner will consist of four courses: cocktails/hors d'oeuvres, salad, main course, and dessert. For the initial three courses the group will be divided into a number of smaller groups, with each small group being hosted by one of its members. For each course the make-up of the small groups and the persons hosting the course will be different. Thus, during the course of the evening one will eat at three different individuals' homes and will have the opportunity to be with many different members of the faculty and student body.

As a finale to the evening the entire group will meet at the Lawyer's Club for dessert. (Individuals not hosting a course will be asked to bring a dessert.)

Reservations should be made by January 28. To make a reservation or to obtain more information.
ANN ARBOR----Yale Kamisar, criminal law authority from The University of Michigan Law School, says Tuesday's (Dec. 9) U.S. Supreme Court decision regarding police interrogations of criminal suspects represents a "symbolic" but "significant" weakening of the 1966 Miranda ruling, which protects a suspect from self-incrimination.

Kamisar said Tuesday's Supreme Court decision is likely to "encourage lower federal and state courts to give Miranda a very narrow and begrudging interpretation."

The 1966 Miranda ruling made it illegal for a suspect held in police custody to be interrogated if the suspect "indicates in any manner and at any stage of the process that he wishes to consult with an attorney ... (or) that he does not wish to be interrogated."

But in Tuesday's ruling, the Supreme Court accepted as evidence the confession of a Detroit man who, after asserting his right to remain silent during an interrogation for robbery, confessed to a murder charge during an interrogation by another Detroit police bureau several hours later.

Kamisar said this latest ruling could create an almost impossible situation for a criminal suspect: "How many times will he have to assert his rights over and over again?"

"One also has to take into account," said Kamisar, "that a criminal suspect is frightened, confused and in an unfamiliar environment. Furthermore, many empirical studies have shown that police often inform suspects of their rights in a quick and half-hearted manner, failing to emphasize the importance of these rights."

Kamisar said Tuesday's Supreme Court ruling will raise a number of important questions for the lower courts in future cases. For example, noted the professor, what constitutes police "custody" under the Miranda ruling, and what will constitute a "waiver" of the suspect's right against self-incrimination?

The U-M professor said these and other questions are likely to be given a "police-oriented" interpretation in subsequent court cases, thereby "further emasculating the original intent of Miranda."

Kamisar noted that in Tuesday's case, Justices Potter Stewart and Byron White--both of whom were dissenters in the 1966 Miranda decision--joined with four Nixon court appointees for a 6-2 majority in the case. The professor noted that the departure of liberal Justice William Douglas from the Supreme Court had little bearing on the outcome of the case.

The Supreme Court ruling came in a case involving a Detroit man, Richard B. Mosley, who in 1971 was accused of murder and two robberies.

A Michigan trial court initially ruled that Mosley's confession was admissible, but the confession was later ruled to be in violation of the Miranda rule by the Michigan Courts of Appeals. After the Michigan Supreme Court failed to hear the case, allowing the Court of Appeals ruling to stand, the case was heard before the U.S. Supreme Court.
PIRGIM NEWS OF THE WORLD

There are two items of interest this week.

1. The PIRGIM Fee System: The refund system a lot of people objected to last fall is changing this semester. Although your tuition bill will still have the PIRGIM $1.50 preprinted on it, you can have the fee eliminated simply by checking off the card that will be mailed to you with your bill. That card (or any similar correspondence) can then be returned to the "U" anytime during the semester by mail (e.g. with your tuition check), in person or via carrier pigeon, etc. We are sorry for last fall's hassle. At the time the fall plan was adopted, no one who approved it (PIRGIM, some student governments, Daily, U administration) thought it would give folks such a hard time.

2. PIRGIM Work: We hope you don't ask for a refund, however, because your dollar-fifty is the only way PIRGIM can do things like: spend 6 months as the only public interest group to (successfully) take part in the fight against the recent Ma Bell "rate increase"; research in support of and lobby two tenants' rights bills; now before the state legislature; be the only group in the country to research and report that Pentagon spending produces a net loss of jobs for most states like Michigan, when such spending is compared to that of other government departments (to the tune of 10,600 jobs lost for every billion in Pentagon-bound tax dollars, as staffer Marion Anderson testified to before a Congressional Committee recently, and as was reported on the business page of the Sunday NY Times two weeks ago). There are about 20 more things to list, but I won't go through them now.

This month PIRGIM begins the biggest project it has ever undertaken - a campaign to collect 265,000 signatures in order to place on the Michigan ballot the question of safe nuclear power.

If you want to know more about "Safe Power", or are interested in researching, lobbying, or organizing in the public interest, contact PIRGIM (662-6597; 4106 Michigan Union) or me, Alan Barak.

PIRGIM is lobbying in the Michigan legislature for the passage of Senate Bill 1, the Michigan Consumer Protection Act.

SB 1, report out of the House Consumers Committee on November 6, then briefly sidetracked to the Appropriations Committee, should soon reach the floor of the House of Representatives.

It is, by far, the most important piece of consumer-protection legislation ever considered by the Michigan legislature. If it passes, it will put new powers into the hands of law enforcement officials, and most important, into the hands of consumers themselves. These should deter many consumer abuses which may now be attempted with near impunity.

I say "if it passes" because similar bills have been considered every legislative term for nearly a decade. Each has died, usually passed by the House, then killed in the Senate.

This year, the process was reversed. Nearly identical bills were introduced in the House and Senate, but unlike previous years, the Senate bill was taken up first. It wasn't treated kindly in the Senate Judiciary Committee, though. The bill the committee reported out, and that was passed by the Senate, was so badly weakened that consumer organizations, including PIRGIM, are uniformly opposed to it.

We feel Michigan would be better off without any Consumer Protection Act this year than with SB 1 as it passed the Senate. That way, with nothing on the books, we could try again next legislative term.

Why then are we so pleased with the prospect that SB 1 may pass?

Because a funny thing happened to SB 1 on the way to the House floor. The House version of the bill, House Bill 4433, an even stronger bill than the original Senate bill before the committee weakened it, was in the Consumers Committee when SB 1, in its Senate-emasculated form, arrived there. The committee had its choice of moving either bill. If it had reported out HB 4433, after House passage it would have had to go back through the Senate committee where it might have suffered the same death as previous years' bills.
ANN ARBOR—Labor Law, real estate law, and trial preparation in civil and criminal cases are among topics of upcoming courses to be presented by the Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE).

The courses, to be given in various Michigan locations, are designed primarily for members of the legal profession. ICLE is a joint unit of The University of Michigan and Wayne State University law schools and the state bar of Michigan.

These are the courses:

-- "Preparation and Trial of the Criminal Case" will be covered in two separate programs: Jan. 8-9 in Grand Rapids and Jan. 15-16 in Detroit. Experienced prosecutors and defense counsels will review criminal case procedure, including pretrial discovery, plea bargaining, constitutional defenses, diversion, and juvenile matters.

-- "Michigan Civil Procedure Before Trial" is the subject of separate programs Jan. 15 in Grand Rapids and Flint, Jan. 29 in Detroit and Marquette, and Feb. 5 in Southfield and Traverse City.

-- "Labor Law and Practice" is the title of a seminar Feb. 12-13 in Dearborn. Presented in cooperation with the Labor Relations Law Section of the state bar of Michigan, the introductory course will cover such topics as negotiation, functions of the National Labor Relations Board and the Michigan Employment Relations Commission, grievance procedures, arbitration, and civil rights legislation.

-- Michigan's revised land title standards for real estate transactions will be reviewed in presentations Feb. 25 in Troy, Feb. 27 in Grand Rapids, and in videotape presentations March 11 in Kalamazoo, March 19 in Marquette, April 2 in Flint and April 9 in Traverse City.

-- A basic course in "Michigan Real Property Transactions" will be offered on videotape March 10 in Kalamazoo, March 18 in Marquette, April 1 in Flint and April 8 in Traverse City.

Further information on the programs is available from ICLE, Hutchins Hall, Ann Arbor, Mich. 48109.

OPPORTUNITIES OPEN TO GRADUATES OF THE JOINT LAW AND PUBLIC POLICY PROGRAM

Recent graduates from the joint law and public policy program have found many job opportunities. Alan Miller, class of 1974, is an excellent example. Since graduation Alan has been a staff attorney for the Environmental Law Institute in Washington, D.C. The E.L.I. is a non-profit, private research institute. Alan's duties include research and writing on environmental policy and law. He recently concluded a large study on enforcement under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972. More recently Alan has been working with an urban planner and a political scientist on the possible relationship of solar technologies to land use planning.

In his work for E.L.I., the IPPS degree has been able to supplement Alan's legal education at U-M Law School. Of particular importance is a better understanding of organizational theory, which has allowed for a more complete knowledge of innovation, bureaucratic behavior, and intergovernmental relations. Alan has also found an understanding of cost-benefit analysis to be beneficial since it is a frequently discussed topic in environmental legislation. In addition to these skills a knowledge of economic analysis, systems analysis, program evaluation, survey research, energy and environmental problems, transportation, and urban and regional planning, subjects of law included in the IPPS curriculum, has enhanced his legal education.

Other positions held by individuals graduating from the joint law and public policy program range from a law clerk in the Alaska Supreme Court to an attorney for Milbank, Tweed, Hauley and McCloy.

The aim of the joint program in law and public policy is to prepare individuals who eventually will serve at the highest echelons of the public sector. Graduates of the joint program are able to obtain the necessary skills in order to assume important roles in planning, policy...
**NOTE:** Any student enrolled at the U.M. Law School who has completed over 18 credit hours with a grade point of 0.66 or above may elect to take up to 6 courses from the Course Mart. Each course will give the student 1 credit unless the professor can be convinced otherwise. Courses will be graded as follows: *Pass*, *High Pass*, *Really High* and *Also Ran*.

**APPLIED CRIMINAL LAW 101**

"From the Criminal's Point of View" Members of the class will be sent on nightly scavenger hunts for M1-F13, TV3, jewelry, and cars. A weekly seminar will discuss the most successful methods that were employed by the class. At the seminar, a collection will be taken up to post bail bonds and jail visits will be arranged. The last student in the seminar who doesn't catch something will be given all of the items which were collected.

-- A student is allowed up to 1-year withdrawal after taking the course.
-- The course may be taken concurrently with jail break 780.

**APPLIED CRIMINAL LAW 102**

"From the Police's Point of View" Members of the class will patrol the high crime areas of Ann Arbor such as the Massage Parlors and corridors of Hutching Halls under the direction of an experienced police officer. Their grades will be determined by how many members of the Criminal Law 101 class they catch.

**CREATIVE PROCEDURE 141**

"Deposition Taking" The class will learn the art of deposition taking. Each member of the class will try to break the world record for the longest continuous deposition ever taken (28 hours, 11 minutes, 6 seconds) held by Professor Arthur Miller. A number of unwilling petty larceny subjects will be supplied by the Ann Arbor Police for the use of the class.

**BUSINESS PLANNING 237**

This year's special topic will be "Corporate Management—How to Keep Your Hotel Running Smoothly." There will be a case study of the Howard Johnson Corporation. A number of issues will be examined such as: *How to Notice Electronic Surveillance Equipment as it is Being Moved into the Rooms* (Washington), *How to Run Roof-Top Sunbaths* (New Orleans) and *How to Keep Freaky Graduate Students out of the Rooms* (Ann Arbor).

**ANIMALS AND THEIR SYMBOLIC MEANING TO THE LAW 411**

This year's animal for discussion will be the bull.

**LAW AND COMPUTERS: THE FUTURE**

The computer has given us the following description of the course: *Beat the LL.TUF CLONE* AMR TO RUBO CE.DURPHIA MINEAROUT CLEER MIOYEREA*

**LEGAL ETHICS 520**

The students will be given practical experience in the field as they draft memos for John Mitchell and G. Gordon Liddy. The course will be taught by a recently retired F.B.I. agent.

**APPLIED LABOR RELATIONS 577**

"The Teamsters View" A necessary course for those who expect to practice labor law. The class will spend 2 weeks in grungy diners, truck stops, and union halls with Teamster business agents, learning how labor relations really works. The student will be graded on their creativity in inventing a new strong-arm tactic.

**ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SEMINARS 596**

The following seminars in key environmental problems will be offered this year:

-- The Vanishing Honeybee
-- The Uses and Abuses of Garbage (Case Study at the Univ. of Michigan)
-- The Non-Returnable Bottle Debate (An Empirical Study in Ann Arbor Pub)

**QUEER LAWS 699**

We don't want anyone to get the wrong impression about this course like last year when 123 students signed up for it! The course deals with unusual laws that have been passed by certain jurisdictions.

**TORT COMMISSION 859**

Each member of the class will commit a tort of his or her choice on an "innocent" person walking through the quad. The course will then expose the student to the psychological trauma of being a defendant in a tort case. The excitement of arrest, arraignment, trial and incarceration will be stressed.
YLS

LAW STUDENT PARTICIPATION SOUGHT YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION LEGAL PROGRAMS

The American Bar Association Young Lawyers Section and Law Student Division are actively working together to utilize the talents and energies of interested law students in substantive programs of the YLS. The approach of the YLS this year is to organize various programs and make them available to young lawyers in legal organizations throughout the nation, who will then institute the programs on a local level.

The following is a brief explanation of a few of the programs in which law students may want to become actively involved.

HOUSING COMMITTEE

The Bar Activation Project, a joint undertaking by the ABA Special Committee on Housing and Urban Development Law and the ABA Young Lawyers Section, commenced in January, 1975. The project was started on the belief that lawyers, especially young lawyers, have the interest and expertise to help make their communities better places in which to live. Specifically, the project has as its principal objective the activation of local and state Bar groups to help provide decent, safe and sanitary housing, as well as other community development programs, for persons residing in their locale. The project was funded through June 30, 1975 by a $22,000 grant from the American Bar Endowment. This funding permitted the employment through June 30 of a full-time project director to encourage and assist Bar groups in the establishment of committees to deal with local housing and community development problems.

At the present time, housing and community development committees have been established by several Bar groups, including groups in California, Georgia, Iowa and Missouri. In addition, Bar groups in Cleveland, Philadelphia and Texas are in the process of establishing such committees.

The committees established by "activated" Bar groups are action-oriented. The committees established thus far have tackled what they perceive as priority local needs in the area of housing and community development. Several groups are, or will be, for example, monitoring the implementation at the local level of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, including the representation of local citizen groups seeking input as to how funds available under the '74 Act will be spent. Other groups are working for the adoption of the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act or enabling legislation which will permit the establishment of housing finance authorities. Still other groups are working for the establishment of housing courts in their jurisdiction or are investigating the possibility of building low-income rental housing under the Section 8 Leased Housing Assistance Program.

In addition to continuing its work with the committees already established around the country, the Bar Activation Project will, during the coming months, continue to work with Bar groups interested in establishing housing or community development committees. Various types of assistance and support can be made available to such groups, including the supplying of information and material regarding certain housing or community development related projects.

Contact: James A. Heeter at Stinson, Mag, Thomson, McEvers & Fizzell, 2100 TenMain Center, Kansas City, Missouri 64105 Telephone (816) 842-8600.

CONSUMER LAW COMMITTEE

The Consumer Law Committee has several objectives for the bar year. Both the preliminary and final drafts of a model consumer protection ordinance will be completed and distributed to YLS affiliates and other interested parties for implementation and adoption, as appropriate.

The Committee also plans to develop and publish a consumer law pamphlet for distribution by state and local affiliates to their clients. The pamphlet will include information on federal consumer laws applicable throughout the country and will provide additional space for the inclusion of printed material on state and local consumer laws by the state and local affiliates before dissemination on a local level.
Instead, it reported out its own substitute bill which combined the Senate bill number with virtually the entire contents of HB 433, only slightly weakened by committee amendments.

This "House Substitute for Senate Bill 1" is the bill now reaching the House floor.

If the strong House substitute SB 1 is approved by the House, as seems likely, the bill will have to go back to the Senate, but not through the committee process again. Either the Senate can accept the version passed by the House or more likely, can require a House-Senate conference committee to reconcile the differences between the two versions.

No one can predict what sort of bill will result from the process and it is still conceivable that it will be so weakened in conference committee that we will once again urge that the bill be killed so we can try again next year.

But if a decent bill comes out of the process, Governor Milliken is pledged to sign it into law.

SB 1, in both versions, is a long, complex bill. But reduced to its essence, it does two simple things. It defines and forbids deceptive business practices. And it creates remedies for the consumer who suffers from the forbidden practices.

The House version has a broad and flexible definition which the courts and a rule-making committee can use to respond to the future innovations of fly-by-night merchants. It also has a "laundry list" of specific current practices which are prohibited. The prohibitions would be universal, applying to all businesses.

The Senate version, opposed by PIRGIM and other consumer advocates, has only the laundry list, and makes no provision for new problems except returning to the slow legislative process.

The Senate version is not universal in coverage. Deceptive practices by utilities, intra-state moving companies, insurance companies, banks, and other businesses, regulated by agencies in the Michigan Department of Commerce are exempted—a glaring and unjustified loophole opposed by the Commerce Department itself.

The remedies are more similar in the two bills. Both allow enforcement by the Attorney General or a county prosecutor, who can ask a court for an injunction to stop the violation, or sue for damages, on either an individual or class-action basis. Both also allow any individual to sue for an injunction or for individual or class damages. To make it worthwhile to sue in cases of small losses, and to deter merchants from small deceptions, the consumer who wins an individual suit gets back both lawyers fees and a minimum recovery from the merchant, $200 in the Senate bill or $300 in the House bill. The House bill allows enforcement also by the Commerce Department agencies, which PIRGIM favors.

If you were going to write only one letter this year to a legislator, the one which would probably save you and others the most money over the long run is a letter urging your state Representative to support the House committee version of Senate Bill 1 and to vote against any weakening amendments to it.
How tortious. Malpractice. The class screamed with glee.
Sue for a million and ten percent fee.
Prosecute. Litigate. Embarrassment for life.
Think of the suffering. Think of the wife.

Yes, screamed another incensed by the crime.
A poet he put his emotion to rhyme.
There must be a recourse somewhere in the law
For a man who must live with a monkey’s paw.
Outraged by injustice at Doctor Mcgee,
And conscious, of course, of the 10% fee,
The class took to study the case and its nuances
To learn what a reasonable man could sue in the circumstances.

(Aron)

THE WIZARD OF R.G.

Wizard...............Ken Frantz
Dorothy...............Carol Sulkes
Toto..................Jessie Seigel
Cowardly Lion.......R. Richard Livorine
Scarecrow.............Tony Kolenic
Wicked Witch of the West...........
........Larry Elder
Good Witch of the North...........
........Dot Blair
Head Munchkin........Howie Bernstein
Auntie Em.............Andrea Sachs
Wicked Witch of the East...........
........G. Burgess Allison

A National Clearinghouse of Federal, State, and Local Consumer Law Publications will be established. The clearinghouse will seek copies of publications provided by or available to state and local affiliates and will make available to affiliates copies of these publications on a loan basis to assist the affiliates in the development of their own consumer law programs and to prevent needless duplication of effort in different geographical areas.

The Committee will also act as liaison with federal, state and local consumer protection agencies, organizations, and bar-affiliated committees in order to provide assistance and exchange information as appropriate.

Students with special interest or expertise in one of the three sub-committees, Model Consumer Law Ordinance, Consumer Law Pamphlet or Consumer Law Publication Clearinghouse are encouraged to apply. Those in the Chicago area will particularly be helpful on the Consumer Law Publication House Subcommittee.

EXCITING MOMENTS

OOF, WHAT'S GOING ON HERE. THIS IS ONLY THE THIRD DAY OF CLASS AND HE'S ALREADY LOOKING THIS WAY.

JESUS! WHY DOES HE THINK I SIT BACK HERE. AND WHERE IN THE HELL ARE ALL OF MY FRIENDS. I'M THE ONLY ONE BACK HERE.

OH GOD, HE DID IT. HE CALLED ON ME. NOW WHAT? I CANT IF I DON'T SAY ANYTHING HE WON'T KNOW IT'S ME. I'LL JUST SIT HERE AND KEEP MY STUPID MOUTH CLOSED. HEY, WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH MY MOUTH CLOSE!!! YOU STUPID MOUTH.

YOU! THE PERSpiring one! WOULD YOU HAPPEN TO BE MR. BLOCKSON?
FIRST YEAR STUDENTS, are you not exactly thrilled at the prospect of another semester of case club just like the last one, especially when the enormous sacrifice of blood, sweat and time which you put into your work ultimately produces nothing more than a sample exercise? If your life is unduly burdened by a resulting sense of futility, then the Public Interest Law Society may be able to help. PILS was organized to give students a chance to apply their research and advocacy skills to "real world" problems involving, for example, the functioning of large public and private institutions, consumer protection, human rights, and the political process. With the cooperation of your case club leader and an assist from PILS, you can dispense with some of the standard assignments and undertake challenging pro bono legal work for attorneys from public interest groups in Michigan, Washington D.C., and across the nation. Attend our next meeting (details below) and see if PILS has a research project to interest you.

SECOND AND THIRD YEAR STUDENTS, PILS continues to operate as a clearinghouse for student pro bono work. We can provide you with some challenging legal work aimed at affecting governmental institutions, contacts with the appropriate public interest lawyers, and all the pens and legal pads you can consume in your effort.

A MEETING OF THE SOCIETY has been planned for Thursday, January 22 at 12:30 pm in the Law Club Lounge. All are welcome. For more immediate information, leave a note in 112 Legal Research (in the basement of the library) or contact Alan Barak, F-34 Lawyers Club, 764-9037.

In fact anyone who can read or write. There's plenty of room this coming year for articles, interviews, essays, reports or just plain bitching in the RG. If you're interested, leave a note at our office in 102-A LR, or merely shove your stuff under our door. The deadline for material published on a given Friday is the proceeding Tuesday noon.

Our Editorial Policy is that all material received over the author's true name will be printed. Material without attribution will only be printed if reasons for anonymity are set forth in an accompanying note by the author and are acceptable to the Editors.

The underlying principle of this policy is simply that coupled with the right of free expression is the responsibility of acknowledgement.

RES GESTAE

is published on Friday of each week the Law School is in session and may be obtained outside Room 100 HH, on the 9th floor LR and 3rd floor HH reception areas. Apologist for pomposity and self-importance by the Right or Left will be consistently offended.
Welcome back, sports fans, to everyone’s favourite (according to a recent informal RG poll) Res Gestate column!

[Affectionately known as the Sin Bin]

As this year’s hockey season starts warming up, the aura of excitement which always accompanies a new season fills the air! [that’s aura, not odor] And the weekly penalty box will be here every week to bring you the constant day-to-day action of the regular season topped off with the always heart-stopping playoffs! Ah, the thrill of victory and the agony of defeat! The players, the penalties, the goals, and most of all, the excitement!

Yes fans, we return once more to those golden days of a new season [semester] of hockey [law school] – the fastest team sport on earth!

Many of last year’s players are back. Returning for the Administration Bruins this year will be: All-Pro goalie Dorine Ristilcantspellingherlastname who will be trying for an unprecedented fourth consecutive Vezina Trophy; veteran All-Pro defenseperson Helen (NMN) Betts who consistently leads the league’s defensepersons in scoring; and the player-coach of the Bruins, six-time All-Pro and holder of the coveted Secretariat Award, Big “D” (the Saint) Antoine who has earlier this year announced his plans to retire at the end of this season and would, of course, like to close out his career on top!

The Faculty Flyers are back also, as rough as ever, playing their unique brand of hockey with such returning stars as: J.J. (Schultz) White, Jerry (Schultz) Israel, Yale (Schultz) Who, Jumpin’ Joe (Schultz) Vining, and Big Pete (Bird Legs) Westen! Look to see some new players break into the Flyer’s starting line-up, especially young goalie “Fast Eddie” Stein who has been highly touted in the pre-season polls. Last year’s top scoring line will be back intact with the high-scoring Sudden Sam (Estep) at center with Big Doug (Kahn) on right wing and Yale (The Blade) Who on left.

The Student Redwings had better watch out for the Flyers as the recent Flyer victory over those dirty Russkies last Sunday has made them meaner and tougher than ever.

Speaking of the Student Redwings, which I hesitate to do, I must confess that they look, even for them, particularly weak this season, at most positions [except maybe the missionary]. With the apparent sidelining of key stars Yellow Dog and Argie Ant, the Students will definitely be lacking in any sort of scoring “punch” [as it were] while with R. Richard Livering and Greg Hill alternating in the Redwing nets, we can (unfortunately) expect some rather high scoring games.

[what a cheap shot! and that disgusting pun about scoring punch & RG humorists & punchlines was nowhere near the level of sophistication normally attained in this column!]

This being the first episode of this year’s Penalty Box [the trial issue, as it were?], certain introductions are in order. The Weekly Penalty Box would like to present our answer to Peter Puck! The Psychotic Psenior (distant relative of such notables as the Phantom Phreshman and the poor and unfortunate Psycic Psecond-year Pstudent). Whenever the Psychotic Psenior is expressing his [or her] somewhat slanted [pslanted?] and
For the movies—I think it was an interesting year because many of the Top 10 lists I saw had movies that were not just subject to differing reviews when they were released, but subject to heavy attack. Like, I think, it was Time that had Ken Russell's "Tommy" and "Lizstomania" in the top 10. Nobody seemed to like those. Also "Smile" was on a number of lists. That one played at Brilwood for a while, but I didn't see it because the reviewers all seemed to say it did a good job of mocking beauty pageants, but so what? Who couldn't mock a subject like that. Anyway, for the good movies I saw:

I'm going to put "Nashville" at the top of the list, although I have my doubts and would like to see it a second time to be sure. 2 was Rosnais' "Stavisky." This was a beautifully photographed, marvelously acted film about a "con-man" in France in the 30's. See it when it comes back this semester. 3 "Hearts of the West"—nothing heavy, but a really enjoyable film about making Western "B-Movies" in the older days of Hollywood.

The Big Fish comes in at 4. What the hell can I say, "Jaws" scared me the way I had been told "The Exorcist" was supposed to. I didn't even get mildly shaken by the little girl with the rotating head, but "Jaws" had me in its grip the whole time. Maybe director Spielberg was manipulating us, but we loved it. For #5 I'll cheat. I saw "One Flew Over the Cuckoo’s Nest" in Chicago, and even though it's not in A2 I'm including it. It was a good film (although it too went for the easy laughs and stayed away from some more complex questions). I believe Nicholson will finally get that Oscar (although he was better in the much better "Chinatown" last year).

That's about it kids. I saw a few that stunk, like "The Stepford Wives" and "Bite the Bullet" and I saw one that made a lot of money, but not too much sense; "Shampoo." "Three Days of the Condor" was a fairly interesting and well told story, even though pretty-boy Redford still can't act; and I liked the film but I can't put it in any top 10 list—therefore this list officially ends at 5.

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In case people are interested, I think the best plays performed in Ann Arbor in 1975 were "Bread and Roses", a song and rhetoric production about the International Workers of the World (IWW or Wobblies) and "Death of a Salesman". And of special note was a one-man marionette production of different Greek plays (I saw "Medea") performed at the Residential College last spring. This one traveling professor manipulated the marionettes and did all the voices for all of the players—amazing.

Other points of interest last year were: The Ohio State Game—when we took the lead with the second touchdown, the excitement in the stadium nearly made me understand why this school is so nuts about football. The Ann Arbor Teach-In of November. It was informative and it was encouraging to see the ideals of the 60's are still burning in the hearts of certain conspirators.

Additionally: It's too bad the Vaudeville Dells closed. They charged too much, but the food was good. There was a very welcome addition in The Real Seafood Co. on Main Street—very nice place, warm and friendly, with the food very good and the prices noticeably less than the Gandy Dancer and its unjustified pretension.

And finally there was an excellent addition to Ann Arbor Radio in WIQB—103 FM. They play fairly sophisticated rock (except in the afternoon when the guy sounds like a fugitive from WRIF). The station's main contribution, though, is to play a new album in its entirety every night at 12. For those with taping facilities it's a fantastic opportunity to get the new records for "free" immediately.

From my Dump Truck to yours—Have a Good Year.

Blinded by the light Mama always told me not to look into the sights of the sun Oh but Mama that's where the fun is

--B. Springsteen

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cynical point of view, his [her] words are bracketed ... like this: [hi chumps. study hard!]. Your author is not G. Burgess Allison. It can't be. He said he graduated in December and anyway he lies a lot and is no good! [the lie is a lawyer's stock in trade!]

Jumping to another subject, just to let everyone know that this is the same bullshit column, something just recently impressed upon me a certain observation (somewhat insistently I might add). The vast majority of lawyers suffer (languish, I guess, is more accurate) under the delusion that just because they are lawyers, have passed the bar and all that, etc., ad nauseum; that they are better and more important human beings, that they are smarter or more qualified than anyone else (especially secretaries of offices other than their own), and that in general they are full-fledged big shots by virtue of their status.

(Some people, I must add, mistake these people as racists, bigots, male-chauvinists, female-chauvinists, etc. I would like to correct this misconception right now. They are just plain assholes to everybody and do not discriminate on the bases of race, sex, age, religion, marital status or place of national origin.)

This remarkable [to some] phenomenon is a learned characteristic. Law schools are still teaching this trait and putting these types out by the bushel [come on now, that can't be true. who's ever heard of a bushel of assholes?] (how about a gabble of politicians or a greed of lawyers?)[O.K. go on](thanks).

Some of these people are quite obvious about it, but don't be fooled by the old time-delay asshole ploy! This is the individual who appears to be quite sociable to everyone, but the real reason the appearance is such is because almost everyone in this school is either a law student, faculty or administrator and therefore "acceptable". (Note: some short-time-delay assholes reveal themselves in not tolerating people in the law school who are not lawyers) The time-delay asshole then erupts [a
RG BASKETBALL POLL:

Now that the fall and football are gone, so is the football poll. But rather than leave you to pay attention in Friday classes, the RG Sports Dept. brings you a basketball poll. The rules are the same: place the polls in the box outside Room 100 by 5:00. Only one entry to a person; cross out losers and circle winners.

Poll:
FRIDAY NIGHT:
Virginia(6½) at NC State
Seattle(16½) at San Francisco

SATURDAY:
LSU(12½) at Alabama
Brigham Young(11½) at Arizona St.
Auburn at Georgia(1½)
Boston College(5½) at Holy Cross
California(11½) at UCLA
Clemson(5½) at Wake Forest
DePaul at Niagara(7½)
North Carolina at Duke(3½)
Florida(14½) at Tennessee
Indiana at Illinois(12½)
Iowa at Wisconsin(3½)
Kansas(9½) at Missouri
Nebraska(10½) at Kansas St.
St. Joseph(8½) v. DaSalle at Palestra
Pitt(19½) at Marquette
Michigan St.(10½) at MICHIGAN
Minnesota(1½) at Northwestern
New Mexico(3½) at Nevada Las Vegas
W. Texas St. at New Mexico St.(2½)
Purdue at Ohio St.(3½)
 Oral Roberts at Penn(10½)
Providence v. Rhode Island(6½)
Villanova(12½) at St. John's
Oregon St.(9½) at Washington
Vanderbilt(12½) at Kentucky

SUNDAY
NC State(7½) at North Carolina

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: Nick the Greek (no relation to Jimmie the Greek), a late high roller: "The greatest feeling in life is winning a bet. The second greatest feeling is losing a bet." Now there's a fellow with wisdom.

RG FOOTBALL POLL:

The winner of the last football poll was John Nuanes. His record was 48-13 (he picked the Rams to win the Super Bowl, thus he missed that game even though it hasn't been played.). He may pick up his prize at Room B-15 of the Lawyers Club. John Sobetzer was anchorman, with a record of 24-37. The final records of the pollsters follow:

Wittemberg-Wonder: 305-185 .609
Princeton Prognosticator:291-199 .594
Oberlin Oracle: 273-217 .557
Golden Doner: 231-173 .566
Stillwater Cowboy: 170-150 .531
Buckeye Blasphemer: 243-207 .540
Vassar Flash: 260-250 .531

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carefully chosen word, likening the TDA to a pimple] into the outside world and graphically demonstrates his (or her) outright disgust at being forced to deal (and sometimes sit in the same room with or converse) with low life (non-lawyers or other non-richies).

If you're bored one of these days in class, look around and try to figure out who are going to be the pompous assholes. (No fair looking at Greg Hill and looking at the professor doesn't count) If you see a lot of people looking at you, think about it.