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Judge Hoeveler Award

In April 2002, the Center was pleased to name Senior U.S. District Judge William M. Hoeveler as the first recipient of the annual William M. Hoeveler Award for Ethics and Leadership. Judge Hoeveler has exemplified the highest qualities of ethics and leadership during his 25 years on the Federal Bench. and has inspired a generation of attorneys. Glowing remarks were made by Ambassador Richard Capen; Commissioner Mozelle Thompson; The Honora-

ble Gerald Wetherington; Mi-

chael Josephs, Chair of the Flori-

da Bar Professionalism Committee; Paul Lipton, Co-Chair of the 11th Circuit Commission on Professionalism; and noted attorney J.B. Spence. The Judge's family, former law clerks, colleagues, and friends from around the country were among the hundreds of people attending the ceremony and reception that followed. given courtesy of the Federal Bar Association under the leadership of its President, Alex Anguiera of Stearns Weaver Miller Weissler



Judge William Hoeveler

Alhadeff & Sitterson. In addition to the annual award the Center has established a Hoeveler Student Fellowship in his honor.

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FIRST FRIEND OF THE CENTER ELEANOR CATSMAN

In September 2001, the Center honored Mrs. Eleanor Catsman with our first annual Friend of the Center Award in recognition of her support and encouragement of the Center's mission. Mrs. Catsman and her family established the Catsman Fellowship to honor the distinguished legal career of her husband, David P. Catsman. Mrs. Catsman's daughter. Ellen Freidin of Akerman Senterfitt. serves on the Center's Advisory Board and is a past recipient of the Center's Lawyers in Leadership Award.



Eleanor Catsman

AT&T STUDY CIRCLES HOST TEACHER WORKSHOPS

With the success of Dr. Jerome Bruner's January 2002 workshop discussing narratives in the law [see Winter CEPS News], the AT&T Ethics in **Education Study Cir**cles project presented two workshops this Spring with UM's School of Education.

On March 1 the project hosted Ethics in Peer Relationships, an interdisciplinary workshop featuring Dr. Margaret Crosbie-Burnett, UM School of Education; Janet Tiberian, UM Smathers Wellness Center; and Dr. Gwen Wurm, UM School of Medicine's Department of Pediatrics. Dr. Sue Mullane, the project's partner from the School of Education, acted as host of the panel. On April 12 the

Study Circles presented Creating Confidence: Processing Peer Pressure. A large and interested group of teachers heard from a diverse panel of presenters: Jennifer Brack, Assistant Dean of Students, UM College of Arts & Sciences: Dr. Mullane; representatives from "An Ark for Learning," which provides character education lesson plans; and members of the

Center's AT&T Students Teaching Students project.

Overall, the AT&T Study Circles project reached many new and veteran teachers and offered them innovative approaches and opportunities to discuss ethical issues they confront everyday in the classroom.

Next year's schedule is already drawing teacher interest from throughout South Florida.

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INAUGURAL SOUTH FLORIDA CRIMINAL JUSTICE ETHICS CONFERENCE LED BY 2002 FRIEND OF THE CENTER AWARD WINNER STEVEN E. CHAYKIN

April 26 marked the inaugural South Florida Criminal Justice Ethics Conference, which the Center coordinated with leading members of the South Florida Criminal Bar and the ABA Criminal Justice White Collar Crime Committee. Designed to address ethical issues in the prosecution and defense of criminal cases, the conference emerged through a partnership between the Center and South Florida criminal defense lawyers, federal and state prosecutors, public defenders, and judges.

The partnership was spearheaded by Steven Chaykin of Zuckerman Spaeder and a dedicated steering committee of distinguished lawyers and law firms.



Steven E. Chaykin 2002 Award Winner

The former chief of the **Public Corruption Section** at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida, Mr. Chaykin is the recipient of the 2002 Friend of the Center Award. Fellows Cristina Dominguez and Stephen Hauptman, and Staff Jenny Han and Michael Zanetti worked with the Center's partners to produce a stellar event. The conference brought over 300 attendees to UM's Storer Auditorium, and featured distinguished lawyers and judges from throughout the state.

AKERMAN SENTERFITT WORKSHOPS ON ETHICS IN LAW

The Spring semester was busy for the Workshop Group and its Akerman Senterfitt Fellows. On February 20, the *Managing Partners* workshop brought together Terence G. Connor (Morgan Lewis & Bockius), Luis Perez (Akerman Senterfitt), Victor Alvarez (White & Case), and Cesar Alvarez (Greenberg Traurig) to discuss ethics and professionalism in law firm management.

On April 10. the Workshop Group co-hosted *How Journalists Report on the Law and the Legal Profession* in collaboration with the UM School of Communication. This workshop generated a crowd of over 100 undergraduate and graduate students interested in law and the media. The panelists included notable media attorney Sanford Bohrer (Holland & Knight), The Honorable Roberto Pineiro (11th Circuit Criminal Judge), Cindy Goodman (Miami Herald), Julie Kay (Daily Business Review), Noreen Marcus (Sun-Sentinel), and Mark Potter (CNN). The panelists discussed the ethical issues that both practicing media lawyers and journalists face in the news industry.

BAR & BENCH TRAINING FOR FIRMS, FEDERAL COURT CLERKS, AND NONPROFIT GROUPS

The Center sponsors in-house continuing legal education (CLE) workshops in ethics through joint venture partnerships with leading law firms, courts, nonprofit groups, and bar associations, including Greenberg Traurig, Legal Services of Greater Miami, the Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center (FIAC), the Bankruptcy Bar Association (BBA), the Florida Association for Women Lawyers (FAWL), and the federal courts.

This Spring Greenberg Traurig Fellows Cindy Duque and Geri Howell organized two CLE ethics workshops on conflicts of interest in litigation and real estate transactions for Greenberg Traurig's local and national offices. In February Catsman Fellow Porpoise Evans organized a FAWL panel on lawyer advertising ethics. In March Porpoise Evans and Intern Josh Poyer organized an ethics workshop for the federal court clerks of the Southern District. In April David P. Catsman Fellow Yeshimebet Abebe and Intern Monica Viegues organized a CLE ethics workshop for Legal Services of Greater Miami.

In March Bankruptcy Bar

Fellow Eduardo Waite and Intern Robert Clary helped present two CLE ethics workshops for the Bankruptcy Bar Association, under the leadership of President Lisa Schiller. Waite and Clary also drafted ethics materials for the BBA Palm Beach retreat. Additionally Porpoise Evans assisted Circuit Judge Scott J. Silverman and the Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee in drafting a proposed Code of Conduct for Court Employees, now on petition before the Florida Supreme Court.

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Lawyers in Leadership honoree Carlos de la Cruz joins Chancellor Tad Foote, past President of the University of Miami, and Center Director Anthony Alfieri at the reception following the award ceremony. A distinguished alumnus of the Law School and the outgoing Chair of the UM Board of Trustees Mr. de la Cruz. drew an illustrious crowd to honor him on March 26.

STEEL HECTOR FELLOWS LEAD UNIVERSITY GROUP

Under the leadership of the Steel Hector Fellow Jason Kairella, the University Group fosters connections among the undergraduate campus, law school, and legal community. This semester the group was busy with four projects: undergraduate pre-law case studies, the undergraduate honors seminar, the Lawyers in Leadership workshop, and the Ethics and Leadership Colloquium.

This Spring the group prepared two seminars for pre-law undergraduates, one on responsible driving and the other on racial profiling.

For a second year the group taught an undergraduate class, Real World 101: Hard Choices in American Life. Group members and Center faculty facilitated roundtable discussions on topics such as euthanasia, censorship, and animal rights.

The Lawyers in Leadership Award celebrates the accomplishments of leaders of the bar and bench. On February 26, the Fifth Lawyers in Leadership Award was presented to U.S. District Judge Joan A.

Lenard, who was recognized for her trail-blazing legal career as well as for her extraordinary public service to our community. On March 26, the Center gave its Sixth Lawyers in Leadership Award to Carlos de la Cruz, outgoing chair of the



Judge Joan A. Lenard

UM Board of Trustees, CEO of Eagle Brands, and a UM Law alumnus.



UM President Donna Shalala introduces Carlos de la Cruz as he accepts the Lawyers in Leadership Award.

The Ethics and Leadership Colloquium is a joint venture with UM's Division of Student Affairs presenting university-wide seminars on ethics and leadership. The first seminar in February addressed ethics and sports with panelists from the UM athletic community discussing such topics as cheating and the role of athletics on the college campus. A second seminar in March featured new UM President Donna Shalala discussing the role of ethics in her life and professional career.

GREENBERG TRAURIG SPONSORS COMMUNITY RIGHTS EDUCATION PROJECT IN COCONUT GROVE

The Community Economic Development and Design project (CEDAD) is an interdisciplinary teaching, research, and community service program. During the Spring semester, Greenberg Traurig CEDAD Interns and Staffers participated in a weekly community-based legal rights education program in the Neighborhood Enhancement Team (NET) Center in West Coconut Grove. Additionally the CEDAD team is in the development stages of preparing workshops directed toward the Homeowners and Tenants Association, local senior centers, and faith-based and community groups.

AT&T STUDENTS TEACHING STUDENTS PILOT PROJECT

The AT&T Students Teaching Students Pilot Project seeks to train high school students to teach ethics to middle and elementary school students. This Spring the project established relationships with public high schools and middle schools in Miami-Dade County. Teachers and administrators at Miami Senior High School collaborated with STS Interns and Staffers in developing an innovative lesson plan for one of Miami Senior High's feeder middle schools, Citrus Grove.

The STS team also attended the AT&T Ethics in Education Study Circle workshops where they presented their lesson plans to teachers from throughout Miami-Dade County.

University of Miami School of Law Center for Ethics & Public Service

Mission Statement

Founded in 1996, the School of Law's Center for Ethics & Public Service is an interdisciplinary project devoted to the values of ethical judgment, professional responsibility, and public service in law and society. The Center provides training in ethics and professional values to the Law School and the University as well as to the Florida business, civic, education, and legal communities. The Center also provides health care rights education and economic development training to low-income communities. The Center observes three guiding principles in serving the cause of ethics, professional values, and public service: interdisciplinary collaboration, publicprivate partnership, and student mentoring and leadership training.

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"ZENRON" TRIAL AT PALMER TRINITY



Intern Daniel Sanchez-Gallarraga, Director Anthony Alfieri, and Fellow Emily Feigenbaum at Zenron Mock On April 16 the Palmer Trinity Fellow and Interns conducted a mock trial at the Law School. On trial was the fictitious corporation, Zenron, modeled after the current Enron scandal. Intern Alex Brophy prepared the background materials for the trial.

The "cast" for the trial was made up of Center members and students from Palmer Trinity's Honors Economics course, who served as attorneys and witnesses. Using the background materials supplied to them, the high school attorneys from Palmer Trinity prepared their own opening statements and direct and cross-examinations. After the excellent performances by all involved, the jury went into deliberations and ultimately found Zenron guilty of misrepresentation. Beyond conducting mock trials, the Palmer

Trinity Group has continued to teach classes on ethics and society every week at Palmer Trinity. This school year Fellow Emily Feigenbaum taught alongside Mr. Scot McComas and Intern Daniel Sanchez-Galarraga taught with Father Adrian Parry.

HUNTON & WILLIAMS SPONSORS ETHICS TEACHING AT MIAMI SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Thanks to the ongoing generosity of Hunton & Williams, the Center's Education Group continued its third year of ethics teaching at Miami Senior High School. Fellow Christina Farley, Intern Allison Newman, and Staff David Birke wrote and taught case

studies to students twice a week.

High school students read case studies, discuss questions posed to them, and perform roles in exercises designed to make them consider varying points of view. Some of the issues addressed include: freedom of

speech in public schools, the death penalty in the United States, and parental notification standards for minors seeking an abortion. Group members worked closely with Ed Asper and Jack Hunter from Miami High's Legal & Public Affairs Magnet Pro-

CHRE EXPANDS PUBLIC HEALTH RIGHTS WORK

This semester the Community Health Rights Education Project (CHRE) continued to spread the word about poverty-based public benefits throughout the indigent communities of Miami-Dade County. This joint venture with UM's Schools of Medicine and Nursing has been very successful, and this Spring the group presented a training module to doctors in the Medical School's Pediatric Mobile Clinic. Next year, the module will be used to train doctors in assisting their patients to identify public benefits needs. Additionally, the group will expand its services regarding immigration issues by participating in another training by the Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center (FIAC). In conjunction with the FIAC training, Professors Bernard Perlmutter and Carolyn Salisbury of the Law School's Children and Youth Law Clinic will continue to provide assistance with client counseling and self-help training. The group is planning to serve additional Medical and Nursing School health care sites next year.

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