HELP WANTED: Long hours required. Must have good secretarial, leadership and management skills. Must be practical. Must be a dreamer. Above all, must be a rainmaker. Pay not guaranteed.

It’s not an ad that just anyone would or could answer. But every year, a handful of Campbell grads decide to forgo the established firm, forgo the government agencies and hang a shingle right out of school.

Larry Mazer did just that in ’83, as soon as he got his bar results. His brother gave him some encouragement: “You’ll be scared to death, then, five years later, you’ll look back and say any idiot could have done it.”

Larry adds, “He was right.” Not that it was easy, but little things like being located near the courthouse can make a big difference. “Being near the courthouse saved me a lot of time,” Larry remembers. “My first filing took me three trips to get it right — a long commute would have killed me.”

It was during what Larry calls “the lean times” that he got some early work from CP&L. “It was little stuff. Someone would hit their pole and not pay for it. It was $500 here, $1000 there. But most lawyers let those claims sit on their desk. I, on the other hand, pursued them with vigor. After all, I didn’t have anything else to do.”

It paid off, for CP&L and for Larry. Now Larry is Associate General Counsel for CP&L, and the “little stuff” goes to the new guys.

And if one green lawyer can make it alone, why not two working together? Danny and Heather Hockaday (both of the class of ’92) were on Interstate 40, returning to Buies Creek from a job interview, when the idea hit them.

“It was a good interview, and I thought they might offer me the job,” Danny says. “I thought about what I’d be doing for them, and it just came to me. I turned to Heather and said, ‘Hey, why don’t we just do it— start a firm ourselves?’”

They moved to Heather’s hometown of Burnsville and put up a sign. Heather explains that “the small practice allows us to deal directly with people, and gives us an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the people in our community.” Danny puts it more bluntly, “I’m dealing with real people every day — clients — and I did that from the first day.”

Still, those first days can be scary. Larry Mazer remembers his first client well. “This guy came into my office and told me this unbelievable tale of woe. I mean, the original Job was sitting in my office, telling me of every possible unfortunate happening that one could imagine. I just sat there, nodding. Then he turned to me and looked me straight into my eyes. ‘Well, Mr. Lawyer’ he said, ‘what do you say?’”

“All I could do is look back into his eyes. Finally I said, ‘Boy, am I glad I’m not you.’”

That squares with Professor Rodgers’ experience as well. Having hung a shingle soon after leaving law school, Professor Rodgers recalls that after hearing his first client’s story he felt like saying, “Boy, do you need an attorney!”

And too, there is the solo’s first appearance in court, which is difficult enough when you have a firm standing behind you. Even with Campbell’s excellent Trial Ad program people can still find themselves fumbling at times.

Larry Mazer remembers his first trial well. He was defending a man on a simple assault and called the defendant’s best friend to support his claim of self-defense. Knowing that Professor Anderson always said to get any prejudice of the witness before the trier of fact before your opposing counsel had a chance, Larry did just that:

“Could you tell me how you know the defendant?” Larry asked.

“Sure, he’s my best friend.”

“He’s your best friend, but would you lie for him?”

“Sure,” he answered.

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In this column, I’m pleased to report the results of my very informal law dean’s survey of American news magazines. One surprise in the survey results is the poor showing of U.S. News & World Report. I would have ranked that venerable magazine in the top quartile nationally, but it came out in the middle of the fourth quartile (or the top of the lowest octile).

I went about my first annual and albeit unscientific law dean’s survey and ranking of magazines in much the same way that U.S. News & World Report goes about its annual survey and ranking of law schools. Arbitrary, irrelevant and sometimes nonsensical criteria were selected by me. I then randomly asked people who have no idea about the relative merits of national news magazines to rank them. I also used seemingly objective but largely irrelevant information to arrive at an assessment of the quality of the magazine.

American magazines were judged in a number of categories, including the following:

- **Length & Quality of Title.** Clearly, the title “U.S. News & World Report” is a tedious and somewhat generic title for a news magazine. Thus, the magazine placed in the bottom quartile in this category, an understandable result when one compares streamlined contemporary titles of competing magazines such as “Time,” “Newsweek” and “Life.”

- **Font Variety and Visual Aids.** The consensus in my survey among persons with no experience in the magazine publishing business was an impression that typeface mixture and variety in U.S. News & World Report was overdone and cluttered on some pages. The cardinal rule of attractive magazine layout is to keep things simple and not mix styles, charts, bullets and typefaces. Although the people I surveyed know nothing about the true quality of U.S. News & World Report in relation to other news magazines, the methodology that I employed was adapted from the procedure U.S. News & World Report uses when it asks deans, lawyers and judges across the nation to evaluate the relative merits of different law schools that they know little or nothing about.

- **Innovation.** Magazines were also rated on their innovativeness by my ragtag crew of non-experts. The consensus was that there was little fresh or crisp about the U.S. News & World Report law school ranking article. An annual reaffirmance of elitism as the primary attribute of quality legal education is unimaginative. While the article itself paid lip service to public service, the actual system of ranking included "average starting salary" as a matter apparently important to the quality of legal education. As I review the "average '92 starting salary" as reported by some law schools, let me surmise that the air at U.S. News & World Report is at least figuratively pungent with the unpleasant fumes of misrepresentation.

- **Ability to Harm the Reputation of Innocent Persons.** This is one category where U.S. News & World Report excels in my survey. Indeed, it is near the top of the top quartile. By putting together a seemingly scientific and objective survey that in reality has little to do with the true quality of legal education at various American law schools, U.S. News & World Report’s annual survey and ranking of law schools has the unfortunate appearance of legitimacy.
## 1993 PHONATHON

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Bailey suggested that the two major skill areas for trial lawyers are an excellent memory and a mastery of the "King's English". He said also that trial lawyers must be "crammers", and describes himself as a consummate crammer, remembering that in law school, he memorized every answer to every question he thought the professors might ask on an exam.

Stressing preparation as being of paramount importance, he mentioned an opportunity he had as a law student to talk with trial great Edward Bennett Williams, who told Bailey that only if an attorney is over-prepared for his case will he ever get lucky enough to "pull a rabbit out of a hat" in the courtroom.

Bailey warned students that witnesses do not fall to the courtroom floor writhing with the agony of their own confessions, as they often seemed to do for Perry Mason. He said the lawyer's job in cross-examination is to "chip away" at each witness and at each story, and in the end to leave the opposing party's witnesses more "chipped up" than they leave yours.

The Law Day celebration also included recognition of Book Award recipients, Moot Court finalists, Trial Advocacy Team competitors, and other notable achievements. Outgoing SBA president Julie Lanier wrapped up the presentation ceremony with words of encouragement for next year's SBA and the whole student body.
Campbell law alumnus Donald W. Marcari, a member of the Class of 1985 whose real-life defense efforts as a Navy JAG Officer were represented by the Tom Cruise character in the movie, "A Few Good Men", was the featured speaker for the 1993 Law Parents and Family Day. A large crowd of over 350 people attended the program, law school classroom simulations, and student trial advocacy and moot court demonstrations, tours of the renovated Kivett Hall and the new Wiggins Hall on campus, and a catered luncheon on the grounds. Mr. and Mrs. Joe D. Floyd and Mr. and Mrs. J. Carey Lanier served as Parent Co-Hosts, along with Assistant Dean James R. Bailey, Jr. and Administrative Coordinator for Placement and Alumni Relations, Sandra D. Baker.

Enjoying the weather, the company, and the lunch at the 1993 Law Parents and Family Day on the law school campus.
On March 9, the North Carolina Court of Appeals made history when a panel of the court held a session of appellate arguments in the new courtroom at Campbell University's Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law.

The panel of the Court of Appeals consisted of Chief Judge Gerald Arnold, Judge K. Edward Greene, and Judge Elizabeth McCrodden. Judge McCrodden was sitting as judge on the Court of Appeals for the first time since her appointment to that position by Governor Hunt.

The occasion marks the first time in its history that the Court of Appeals has held a session at a law school. The session was held at Campbell as part of a series of events scheduled to help celebrate the dedication of the new law building.

Appellate arguments were heard by the court in six cases. At a luncheon following the morning session, Pat Hetrick, dean of the law school, thanked Chief Judge Arnold, Judge Greene and Judge McCrodden for taking part in this historic first of holding an appellate court session at a law school.

Expressing his desire to have similar sessions in the future, Hetrick said, "It is my wish as dean that the wonderful new courtroom at Campbell be used on a regular basis by the North Carolina Court of Appeals, by other appellate courts and by trial courts. Seeing the 'real thing' right in their own law school presents a wonderful and exciting learning opportunity for our law students." Hetrick added that the visit by the Court of Appeals could not have been better timed because Campbell's first-year law students were about to begin their own appellate arguments.

Chief Judge Gerald Arnold responded on behalf of the Court of Appeals, "We are very proud to take part in this historic event and find the facilities to be splendid and fitting for appellate arguments. I hope that in the future we can hold more appellate arguments here at Campbell's new law building and send more than one panel."

Shown at Campbell University following the N. C. Court of Appeals Session on March 9 are (left to right) Dean Patrick K. Hetrick, Judge K. Edward Greene, Chief Judge S. Gerald Arnold and Judge Elizabeth McCrodden
Little Rascals attorney, W. Michael Spivey

When his telephone rang in the middle of a September evening in 1989, W. Michael Spivey answered it to find Senior Resident Superior Court Judge Frank R. Brown at the other end of the line. Judge Brown, who was holding court in Chowan County at the time, asked Spivey to be the court-appointed counsel for the defendant in a criminal trial which he said would take “some significant amount of time.”

Mike, a member of Campbell’s charter class who shares a Tarboro practice with one other attorney, took the assignment. Little did Mike, his family or his law partner know that the trial of defendant Robert F. Kelly, Jr., a former plumber and the co-owner of the Little Rascals Day Care Center in Edenton, North Carolina, would last almost three years—from September of 1989 until April 1992. Furthermore, no one knew it would become the longest and most expensive trial in North Carolina state judicial history.

The “Little Rascals” trial, the most emotional criminal case since the Wetzel trial in the late 1950’s, received state and even national media attention. For Mike, the trial provided a “better appreciation of the practice of law as a public service, not just a business”. Although he acknowledged Campbell’s excellent trial advocacy program, Michael Spivey credited the ethics and professional responsibility lessons he first learned at Campbell in the late 70’s as being the deciding factors in his decision to take this case. And without any hesitation whatsoever, Michael Spivey told a roomful of Campbell faculty and law students who gathered to hear him deliver a speech to the Campbell Chapter of the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers, that he honestly would take the case again! A longtime member of the NCATL and the National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys, Michael Spivey shared that this trial gave him a much better appreciation for the Academy’s mission statement: “Lawyers Helping People”, and he adds “each other”.

After all, Michael Spivey was Robert Kelly’s third defense attorney. The first attorney withdrew because his son had attended the day care center. When his second defender withdrew as well, Kelly was without money and in desperation. He turned to the court system and ultimately to our own Michael Spivey, a philosophy major in college and Law Review member and Honor Board Chairman at Campbell Law School. Knowing that Robert Kelly’s life would be in his hands, and in the face of tremendous odds and extreme personal and professional sacrifices, W. Michael Spivey gave the case his all.

Despite the extensive media coverage of the trial, it is not well-known that during the defense of this case Mike and his co-counsel Jeff Miller of Greenville faced court sanctions for issuing subpoenas. The “Lawyers Assistance Committee”, chaired by Jim Wyatt, with the aid of fellow trial lawyers Lyle Yurko and Tommy Manning and a large number of NCATL members, signed a petition for certiorari to the N.C. Court of Appeals requesting that the two defense attorneys not be sanctioned.

The N.C. Court of Appeals granted certiorari and ruled “no sanctions”, underscoring to Mike and to us “the importance of attorneys working together and supporting each other during the process”. The attorneys in the trial of Robert F. Kelly, Jr. also demonstrated that creativity with readily available materials and resources can produce excellent work. For example, the defense presented to the jury a full-scale model of the day care center, constructed by the uncle of one the defense team’s investigators. They also tendered to the court more experts than the state on the psychological aspects of the case, with extensive use of the faculty and resources at the East Carolina University Medical School – in Greenville and in very close proximity to the courtroom in Farmville where the trial was held. The trial marked the first time that Spivey has used an outside consultant for assistance in selecting the jury, but he chose to hold nothing back since the cards were stacked against his defendant.

Campbell law graduates who had the privilege of going to law school with Michael Spivey, and the early law faculty who had the honor of teaching him, all remember his seriousness and dedication to his legal studies at Campbell.

Criminal defense attorneys on the other side of multiple guilty verdicts, particularly court-appointed ones, rarely receive a thank you. On behalf the law school and the state of North Carolina, we thank you for defending Robert Kelly, when so many other lawyers wouldn’t. All but one of the one hundred verdicts were not surprisingly adverse, but Mike you clearly did not fail!
1993 IOLTA GRANT RECIPIENTS

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Ann Gawalt
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Smithfield NC 27577

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The IOLTA Grant is an annual grant provided by the N.C. State Bar Plan for Interest on Lawyer's Trust Accounts to students from the five North Carolina law schools who are interested in pro bono/public interest legal services. Congratulations to Campbell's six grant recipients on receiving 1993 IOLTA grants.
The 1993 Dean Jerome Prince Evidence Team from Campbell Law School, comprised of third-year students Kevin L. Clark, Charles E. Simpson, Jr., and W. Dennis Worley, finished third in the nation in this year's competition at Brooklyn Law School, bettering last year's ninth place national ranking. Competing in the Jerome Prince Evidence Competition for only the second time, Campbell defeated Wake Forest (as it did last year) in the first round. After losing a very close second-round decision to William and Mary, Campbell advanced to the Octofinals, where our team defeated New York University School of Law (NYU). In the Quarterfinals, Campbell beat a team from New York Law School. Campbell advanced to the competition's Semifinals, where we fell to the host school, Brooklyn Law School. The team from the University of Tennessee was the competition's ultimate winner. Battling 32 other law schools from across the country was not as difficult for the Campbell team as was battling the weather. The Campbell team members and their coach, Professor Richard A. Lord, were stranded for several days in New York due to the "Blizzard of '93" which blanketed the area with several feet of snow.
First Place team John Britton and Sheila Stafford and Second Place team Teresa Hamilton and Miles Williams

Employment law was the topic assigned to the thirty-three teams of Campbell first-year law students competing in the 1993 Intramural Client Counseling Competition held recently at the law school. Making the finals, after three rounds of intense competition, were the teams of John Britton/Sheila Stafford and Teresa Hamilton/Miles Williams.

John Britton and Sheila Stafford were judged the best "client counselors" at Campbell Law School and represented Campbell in the ABA Regional Client Counseling Competition held at American University in Washington, D.C. on February 27, 1993, finishing fourth among the seven teams. This high ranking, received from the American University law professors, Washington, D.C. attorneys and other lay professionals who served as judges, is particularly impressive in view of the fact that the other six teams were composed entirely of upper classmen, with Britton and Stafford the only first-year law students competing. Routinely, Campbell has had its young but well-trained client counseling teams do well in the Client Counseling Competition, winning the region and placing 5th in the nation in 1990.

Campbell law alumni and area attorneys serving as judges for the Campbell competition were Jim Laurie, Chris Sexton, Juanita Hart, Rebecca Britton, Tony Buzzard, David Snipes, Olivia Weeks, William Fields, Pete Shedor, Bo Jones, Mark Jernigan, Paul Sheridan, Sandy Sanderson, Celina Crisco, Geraldine Spates, Jan Slusser, David Mills, Matthew Cockman, Kathleen Sumner, and Al Bain. The organizers of the competition would like to thank these attorneys for volunteering their time and effort, making this year's Intramural Client Counseling Competition a success.
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Johnny S. Gaskins, formerly a partner with Young Moore Henderson & Alvis has formed a partnership with Thomas J. White III. The firm of White & Gaskins will concentrate its practice in the area of personal injury litigation. The new address is 2021 Fairview Road, Raleigh NC 27608; (919) 832-8707.

R. Wilson Day, Jr., formerly a partner with Hafer, Day & Wilson, has formed a partnership with Christopher L. White. The address for the firm, Day & White, P.A. is P.O. Box 31428, Raleigh NC 27622; (919) 781-2220.

Richard S. W. Stoney returned to the law school in March to recruit students for his firm's second office. Stoney & Goulden's second office is located in Monk's Corner, S.C. Thanks, Richard, for using the services of the Placement Office and for flying in for on-campus interviews at Campbell this spring. Likewise, all law alumni are invited and strongly encouraged to participate in the fall on-campus program to meet their legal employment needs.

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Gerald R. Collins Jr. was elected to a two-year term as the President of the 30th Judicial District Bar Association comprised of the following counties: Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Macon, Swain, Jackson and Haywood. He is a sole practitioner in Murphy NC and served as President of the County Bar Association for 7 years; he also served as Vice-President of the 30th Judicial District Bar Association from 1991-1993. Congratulations!

Hugh M. Currin Jr. was recently presented the Exhausted Rooster Award for outstanding civic service by the Jaycees. We'd like to see the trophy!

D. Jack Hooks, Jr. has been appointed a Superior Court Judge, replacing Senior Resident Superior Court Judge Giles R. Clark. Jack was formerly the Chief District Court Judge in the same 13th Judicial District.

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Dwight W. Snow, a partner with Bryan, Jones, Johnson & Snow in Dunn, has been elected President of the 11th Judicial District Bar Association. Classmate Rhonda H. Ennis, who continues to practice in Lillington, was elected Secretary. Check the Winter State Bar Quarterly for the names of the many other Campbell lawyers who have been selected District Bar Officers.

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Terrence M. Bagley is now a partner in McGuire Woods Battle & Boothe, One James Center, Richmond VA.

David A. Craft, Regional Public Affairs Director for Champion International Corporation, was recently named "Person of the Year" by the Canton Downtown Association. In presenting the award, Canton Downtown Association President Patrick Smathers cited Craft's efforts in maintaining a favorable image for the community and for his support of the town's many projects aimed at designating the town as "Papertown USA."

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Roseann Carter Gudzan is working for the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Suite 310, 4110 Wake Forest Road, Raleigh NC 27609.

J. Gregory Lawson and wife Betty continue to enjoy their son James Gregory Lawson II who was born July 10, 1992. Greg also reports that he was licensed in Pennsylvania in May of 1992 and remains Assistant Professor of Religious Education and Director of Counseling at Williams Baptist College in College City, Arkansas.

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Elizabeth B. Mckinney has been named a partner at Narron, Holdford, Babb, Harrison & Rhodes in Wilson, her hometown, where she has practiced since 1989. Beth serves on several community boards and is active at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church. Domestic law is her area of concentration.

Pamela Weaver Best was recently hired as Associate County Attorney for Pitt County and will serve as the first in-house counsel for that county. She will
be working at 1717 West Fifth Street, Greenville NC 27834; (919) 830-6374.

Margaret Robison Kantlehner has become a partner with Booth Harrington Johns & Campbell. Her office address is 239 N. Edgeworth Street, Greensboro NC 27401; (919) 275-9567.


'Buck Copeland and his wife, Eva Carol Smith, announce the birth of their daughter, Nancy Moran Copeland on February 24, 1993; weighing 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

Mark Edmundson stopped in for a tour of the new law building and renovated Kivett Hall on his way to Lillington to help out as a volunteer in a high school moot court program. Dean Hetrick toured him around the building as they reminisced about several famous (or infamous) members of the Class of '85.

Sharon Hartman Spence and husband Eric, joyfully announce the birth of Caroline Hayden Spence, January 22, 1993; weighing 6 pounds, 2 ounces.

'Billy Godwin and wife Lynn proudly announce the birth of a new baby girl, Laura Jess Godwin; weighing 8 pounds, 4 ounces. Lea Anna, almost two, is now the "big sister".

Paul C. Ridgeway has been elected to the Wake County Bar Association's Board of Directors for a two-year term. And for the second year in a row, Paul received the President's Award from the Bar Association for his work as chairman of the communications committee and editor of the Wake Bar Flyer. Paul remains a partner in the firm of Allen and Pinnix in Raleigh, where he has a business litigation and commercial practice.

'Donald M. Brown Jr., formerly with the US Navy Judge Advocate General Corps, has become associated with Maupin Taylor Ellis & Adams PA and is presently in the Rock Hill, South Carolina office.

L. Johnson Britt II proudly announces the formation of his own practice in Lumberton, NC Johnson's new address is 114 West 5th Street, Lumberton NC 28358; (919) 738-8191. Areas of emphasis are criminal and civil litigation. Referrals are welcomed.

Jill Drake, formerly a Public Defender with the 19th Judicial Circuit, has joined forces with a former adversary, State prosecutor Curtis L. Disque. Disque & Draker, Suite 3A, 49 SW Flagler Avenue, Flagler FL; (407) 220-7900.

Paul R. Ross and his wife, Mary, announce the birth of another baby girl. Haley Barber Ross was born on November 5, 1992.

We belatedly announce the birth of a son to Lisa G. Corbett and husband, LaVon. Cody Benjamin Corbett was born December 3, 1992.

Mark Scruggs and Paul Ridgeway, both Class of 1986, and spouses Kay and Laura were among the crowd of nearly 200 alumni and friends attending Campbell Law Night on April 8th at Theatre in the Park in Raleigh. The performance for the evening was "Twelve Angry Jurors", in observance of National Law Day.
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Johnny Ray Foster was married to Bobbie Smith '89 on March 27, 1993.

Beth Tyner Jones and her husband, Barry, announce their new arrival: Claire Jones, born February 2, 1993, weighing 9 lbs. 1 oz.

J. Ronald Jones became a partner with the firm Clawson & Staubes, PO Box 358 Charleston SC 29402 on October 1, 1992.

James T. Lee and wife, Joyce, joyfully welcome by adoption a beautiful baby girl, Stephanie Jessica Lee, born February 15, 1993.

Janet L. Shires was recently approved by the Harnett County Board of Commissioners to serve as the county's public utilities attorney. Janet replaces Campbell alumna John M. Phelps II ('82) who previously held this position and recently announced that he was stepping down. Janet's office address is Rt. 1 Box 269, Spring Lake NC 28390; (919) 497-2870.

Hoyt G. Tessener announces his recent employment with Michaels & Jones PA at Suite 500, 4000 Westchase Blvd, Raleigh NC 27607; (919) 821-0005.

H. Forest Horne has been named a partner by Manning Fulton & Skinner PA, in Raleigh. The firm address remains 500 UCB Plaza, 3605 Glenwood Ave, Raleigh NC 27612; (919) 787-8860. Forest recently returned to Campbell to judge several first-year appellate arguments.

Beverly D. Teague announces her recent employment with C. Gary Triggs PA in a new office at the Hickory News Building, 20 3rd Street NW, Hickory NC 28603; (704) 322-2800.

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David Jolly called to give us his new home/office address: Rt. 1 Box 600J, Crumpler NC 28617; (919) 982-4646. He also wanted to report that his "children" are Cleo, (she's a coon dog) and Sadie Mudd-Bone, (she's a basset hound). . . Mudd-Bone is an old family name. He also wanted to report that he has the same wife, Tonya. Will David ever change?

Robert A. Mulvihill has become an associate with the firm of Webb Craven & Mulvihill. Bob's primary concentration will be in Debtor/Creditor, Civil Litigation, and Traffic/Criminal cases. His address is 9 Pinehurst Commons, PO Box 1507, Pinehurst NC 28374; (919) 295-4422.

William W. Peaslee announces the opening of a general practice law office at P.O. Box 793, Suite 220-4, 1135 Kildaire Farm Road, Cary NC 27512; (919) 481-1992.

David Thelen, recently passed the California Bar. Remarkable that he had the time to sit for it, considering that David is also C.E.O. of Thelen and Schell Inc., performs economic development services for 6 California cities, and teaches Business Law, Aviation Law, Labor Law, Political Science and aviation business courses through Merced College, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, and Kings River Community College.

Sonya Loving Williamson and Max Garner have formed a partnership: Gamer & Williamson, P.O. Box 792, Troy NC 27371; (919) 576-0475.

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Steve Brady and his wife Barbara announce the birth of a baby boy, Jonathan Timothy, born 2/20/93, weighing 6 lb. 10 oz.

Nina L. Fields was married May 1, 1993 to Keith Allen Jackson and they reside at 122 Famsworth Drive, Goldsboro NC 27530; (919) 734-9931.

Norman C. Riddle is now associated with the firm of Carter & Kropelnicki PA, 14 S. Pack Square, Asheville NC; (704) 252-9804. Norman and wife Jeanette are also happy to report the birth of Marianna Rose Riddle on Feb. 1, 1993.

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Kathleen Crapse can now be found working in her new partnership: Griffin & Crapse, P.O. Box 995, Reidsville NC 27303; (919) 634-0090. Kathleen says the location of the new office is on the Monroeton Golf Course, between the #7 Green and the #8 Tee in Reidsville. No kidding. Practicing law isn't where it used to be!

Charlotte T. Oehman was recently named the Pro Bono Program Developer for the North Carolina Bar Association. Her office mailing address is P.O. Box 12806, Raleigh NC 27605; (919) 828-0561. Charlotte encourages all Campbell lawyers to do more pro bono/public interest work in 1993 and will be glad to share information on NC Bar Association pro bono projects and programs.

Marcia L. Retchin has been named Research Attorney for National Legal Research Group in Charlottesville Va. Her work address: 2421 Ivy Road, Charlottesville VA 22906-7187; (804) 977-5690.

Irene Graham Riel, formerly with Moore & Maynard, has opened her own practice in Elizabethtown NC. Her new office address is 119 Court Street, P.O. Box 1388, Elizabethtown NC 28337; (919) 862-8682. Irene reports also that she is expecting her second child in June.
But collective ignorance can never become collective wisdom, no matter who packages it. Surveys and rankings can attain a counterfeit legitimacy when reported by a normally reputable source as the results of a supposedly scientific survey. My survey of American news magazines is, of course, imperfect, haphazard and proves nothing but my ignorance of the true quality and relative merits of the various American news magazines. U.S. News & World Report's survey and ranking of law schools is only slightly better than my magazine survey. It is no more relevant than my survey. Here's why.

Beyond reporting on catchy little items apparently reported to them by proud law school deans, the U.S. News & World Report staffers have made no serious effort to visit the dozens of grassroots law schools that supply most of the nation's lawyers, to interview law students at a cross-section of law schools, to consider extremely important law student quality of life factors, to compare bar examination results, to check on the availability of law professors, and to inquire about the success of various law schools in moot court and trial competitions.

For the most part, the special missions of different law schools are ignored. Students do not come to Campbell's law school in order to pass through a conduit to Wall Street law firms and mega-starting-salaries. Our law school has a community law practice/public service emphasis, not a power broker/big money one. Again, while the U.S. News & World Report article pays lip service to the trend away from mega-salaries, its artificial ranking system includes starting salary as a significant measure of law school quality.

U.S. News & World Report is also hung up in its ranking system with the median LSAT score of law students at each school. One wonders how this factor has any relevance beyond ego value in the real life world of the practice of law. A Campbell law student was the outstanding oralist in the nation last year in the ABA moot court competition. I wonder what her LSAT score was.

Law schools should not be ranked because any ranking erroneous mixes apples, oranges, and pistachio nuts, not to mention the crown jewels of the very prestigious and elite schools that are admittedly in a league of their own. Each law school needs to be measured according to its own mission, not the yupified standards of power, money and prestige that apparently influence the ranking portion of the U.S. News & World Report survey.

Some law schools are responding to the U.S. News & World Report survey and ranking service (or disservice) with special efforts to lobby for improved status. Other law schools aspire to move themselves into the cherished top quartile, a pot-of-gold-at-the-end-of-the-rainbow approach if there ever was one. Some law schools are forming public relations committees with the goal of lobbying the magazine for better treatment. One pundit has appropriately suggested the possibility of an additional quartile at the top. It makes sense to have more top quartiles, even if they then cease to be quartiles.

My preference and privilege is to have a little fun with a group of reporters who obviously don't know what they are talking about but who, like a Greenbay Packer scrimmage in a Hummel shop, can do a great deal of expensive and unintended harm. My preference is also for the American Bar Association method of evaluating law schools, an evaluation that commences with the law faculty and deans defining the educational mission of their respective schools.

So, as the proud dean of a fourth quartile law school, I close this dean's column with a hope that the reporters for U.S. News & World Report will next year leave that rarified air within the Washington D.C. beltline and visit a true variety of law schools across this nation. They might even want to come to a town without a beltline, Buies Creek, and talk to law students, graduates, clients of graduates, judges and attorneys who are familiar with the mission of our school. They should consider developing standards for evaluation that include quality of law student life, the concept of service to others as the primary goal of the legal profession, success on the bar examination, and success in competitions between law schools. They might even ask the all-important question: Is this law school turning out ethical and competent lawyers who will be a credit to society? Whether they can afford to drive a BMW or a Chevy with their starting salaries should be a woefully unimportant piece of trivia, not a basis for ranking.

Even with an improved survey methodology and additional relevant data, a ranking of different law schools in one pool of infamous quartiles is doomed to be meaningless and misleading. For my own part, I promise to improve my system of surveying national news magazines next year. It is simply unfair that U.S. News & World Report ended up in the bottom quartile. I always thought better of that fine magazine.

Patrick K. Hetrick
Bar Examiners Visit

Board of Law Examiners Visit Campbell

Fred P. Parker III, Executive Director of the Board of Law Examiners of North Carolina, and Walter F. Brinkley, chairman of the Board, made a presentation regarding the North Carolina Bar application and examination process on March 11 to the third-year law students at Campbell University’s Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law.

A leader in national organizations that deal with bar examinations, Parker has been responsible for North Carolina’s very efficient bar application and bar examination process for almost two decades. During his presentation, he provided the law students with valuable information concerning various deadlines, information that needed to be provided to the Board, and general advice about the entire process.

Brinkley, an attorney from Lexington, North Carolina is a veteran Board member and the current Board chairman. He directed his comments to the bar examination itself, including the composition of the examination, advice on preparation for the examination, and suggestions on what the examiners look for in a good answer.

During his introductions of the speakers, Dean Pat Hetrick informed the students about the excellent lines of communication that exist between Parker, the members of the Board of Law Examiners, and the deans of the law schools in the state. He explained that the law school deans and members of the Board meet annually to review the most recent bar examination and to discuss matters related to the exam and the bar application process.

"Communication is, of course, a two-way street," Hetrick added, "with Board members also expressing to the deans their concerns as persons, given the heavy responsibility of ascertaining the ethical and professional qualifications of each applicant."

A tour of the new law school building and a luncheon in honor of the visiting speakers followed their presentations.

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− Dean Pat Hetrick

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For the student who is thinking about starting out on her own, Professor Rodgers holds a class affectionately called "How to Start Your Own Law Firm and Avoid the Middleman." Although the class is not for credit, a dozen or so students show up every Monday to learn about the nuts and bolts of law practice. There Professor Rodgers discusses everything a sole practitioner needs to know: accounting basics, insurance needs, software and hardware, what to look for in a secretary, fee schedules, how to make a deal for office space and much, much more.

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CALENDAR CALL

May 8  Dedication and Open House for New Wiggins Hall and Renovated Kivett Hall. Special Guest Speaker: James P. White, ABA Consultant on Legal Education.

May 9  Hooding Ceremony. Special Guest Speaker: William K. Suter, U. S. Supreme Court Clerk

May 10  Graduation

May 23  Theatre Charlotte - "Man of LaMancha" – Charlotte Area Law Alumni Day
Sunday Matinee – 2 p.m.  Reception preceding performance
Tickets: $10/person
Reservations: (800) 334-4111 extension 1785 (Sandra Baker)

June 15  NCATL Breakfast - Ocean Creek Resort at Myrtle Beach SC
For Reservations: (800) 334-4111 extension 1785 (Sandra Baker)

June 17-20  NC Bar Association Meeting - Asheville NC
Campbell Alumni Luncheon on Friday, June 18th 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
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August 28  Class 1983 Reunion - Crabtree Marriott, Raleigh NC
Free CLE provided by Professor Rodgers
(Due to scheduling conflicts, Class '83 Reunion is now scheduled for August 28, 1993. If you are interested in helping with plans, please contact the Alumni Relations office at the Law School.)

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