

Law School Fund First Annual Report

This first annual report of the Law School Fund covers the period from November 15, 1968 to January 31, 1970. Henceforth the reports will cover the period between February 1 and January 31 of each year.

November 15, 1968, is selected as the beginning date, because it was on that date that the WLAA Board of Directors, meeting with the Board of Visitors, gave preliminary approval to the establishment of the Fund and established a committee composed of Patrick Cotter, M. A. McKichan, and Associate Dean Gordon Baldwin "for the purpose of considering, planning and organizing an annual alumni giving campaign for the Law School, and further, . . . it was the sense of this meeting of the joint boards that the members present favor the proposal to organize such an annual campaign."

On February 19, 1969, meeting in Milwaukee, the joint boards gave unanimous approval to the proposed charter of the Law School Fund, as presented by the Committee. The charter establishes the Law School Fund as an organization in which operating authority is vested in a National Committee, (see *Gargoyle*, vol. 1, no. 1) of which Mr. John Lord, Chicago, has been the first Chairman, to organize and conduct the Fund Drive, and to recommend the uses of the proceeds of the Fund. According to the Charter, the purpose of the fund is to "promote gifts from alumni and friends of the University of Wisconsin Law School which will help build the school's general resources and support special activities."

The initial officers of the Fund, in addition to Mr. Lord, have been Mr. Carroll Heft of Racine, vice-chairman; Mr. George Cleary of New York, Scholarships vice-chairman; Mr. Robert Curry of Madison, Class Agent vice-chairman. Associate Dean G. W. Foster, Jr. has recently replaced Associate Dean Gordon Baldwin, as Fund Director.

The national committee met on

May 5, 1969, to begin the organization of the Fund Drive.

The past months have been largely months of preparation. The Fund Drive will go into high gear during 1970. Alumni in a number of localities, particularly Milwaukee, New York, Chicago and Washington have organized themselves to conduct a personal solicitation of all Alumni. Deans Kimball and Foster and other faculty members have visited with groups of alumni in a number of cities. A general mailing to all Alumni was made in December, 1968 and in December, 1969. Class agents have been appointed by Vice-Chairman Curry, and are in the process of contacting their classmates for the support of the Fund for the 1970 drive.

The establishment of the Law School Fund permits the consolidation of other funds to which Alumni and friends of the Law School have in the past made contributions. Included in the consolidated Fund are the Dean's Contingency Fund, the Legal Education Opportunities Fund, the WLAA Scholarship and Loan Fund, the Benchers Fund, the Jacob Buescher Fund and the John P. Andersen Fund. Included also are a few individual contributions

which have been made annually.

The total of the Law School Fund, plus such other alumni contributions as are mentioned above, between November 15, 1968 and January 31, 1970 is: \$60,378.69.

Not included in this total are two large gifts made for special purposes. Securities with a market value of over \$21,000 were contributed anonymously in memory of Charles Bunn, and earmarked for the Legal Education Opportunities Program.

Liquidation of the Phi Alpha Delta Building Corporation resulted in a contribution to the Law School of the Phi Alpha Delta Student Loan Revocable Trust. At the time of its establishment, the Revocable Trust had a value of approximately \$29,000.

Contributions made for very limited and specific purposes are also not included in these totals. Gifts of books, for example, or the substantial support given to the Center for Teaching and Research in Disputes Settlement, a contribution to provide the annual Backus lectures, or a contribution to finance the preparation of the history of the Law School, are not included in the Law School Fund totals. Nor are government or foundation research grants included.

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