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LAW SCHOOL UPDATE

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FORDHAM LAW BUILDING CAMPAIGN GOES INTO FULL GEAR

Twenty-one years ago Fordham Law School made the long awaited move to its own building at Lincoln Center. The School then enrolled about 600 students and a small faculty. Since then, the School has surged in every area and can rightly claim national stature.

Today the School consists of 1,150 students and a faculty of 99. The progress of the last two decades has had its drawbacks and the facility, once magnificent, is now all but totally inadequate for the present programs and size of the school. This inadequacy must be dealt with if the Law School is to maintain its first rate reputation.

There is a need for additional classrooms, offices for student organizations, study areas, a student lounge and the Law Library must double its physical capacity.

The Background

On October 1, 1980 at the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Dinner, Judge Joseph M. McLaughlin, then Dean of the Law School, told the attendees that a campaign for at least \$5 million was about to be launched to provide the financial support needed to renovate and expand the Law School.

A Committee chaired by Caesar Pitassy was formed and began to seek gifts from individuals, corporations and foundations. Caesar Pitassy's committee included John D. Feerick, Jean Gerard, Dennis J. Kenny, A. Stephen La Sala, Daniel J. Piliero, Clyde Mitchell and Anthony Savarin.

Several leadership gifts were uncovered but the campaign took a dramatic forward surge when it was learned that Leo T. Kissam '23 bequeathed the bulk of his estate presently valued at \$2 million, to the Law School. Mr. Kissam was a senior partner in the New York law firm of Kissam, Halpin & Genovese, specializing in litigation.

According to Fordham President Emeritus, Laurence J. McGinley, S.J., who knew Mr. Kissam quite well, "He demanded the best of himself and others, and believed strongly in what Fordham Law was trying to do in the way of quality education. To him, law was a great profession and Fordham a topflight school for that profession."

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The Background (continued)

Last spring, Rev. James C. Finlay, S.J., President of Fordham University and Dean elect John D. Feerick visited the Kresge Foundation in Illinois. Although keenly interested in Fordham's Campaign, the Kresge Foundation declined to make a grant because the Foundation wanted to see greater alumni support of the Law School and clear evidence that the project was viable.

Immediately after the Kresge interview, Father Finlay, Dean Feerick, Judge William Hughes Mulligan, Acting Dean Joseph M. Perillo and Professor Joseph Crowley teamed up to present the case for support of this project before a much broader alumni audience.

Breakfast meetings were held in New York and Washington, D.C.; luncheons and other gatherings occurred in Westchester, New Jersey and on Long Island.

The speakers explained that the renovation and expansion of the Law School was the University's number one priority and alumni support was crucial -- perhaps more so now than at any other time in the history of the School.

The Plan

A Law School Building Campaign Advisory Committee has been formed to assist in the selection of the architectural plan best suited to the needs of the Law School. Committee members agreed that the plan selected should incorporate design elements in keeping with the school's exciting Lincoln Center location.

Committee members include:

Alfred J. Bianco	Dennis J. Kenny	Henry H. Salzberg
Joseph M. Costello	William J. Kramer	Michael Saperstein
Assoc. Dean Joseph R. Crowley	Clyde Mitchell	Francis Y. Sogi
Robert F. Dobbin	Prof. Joseph M. Perillo	Eugene P. Souther
William P. Frank	Arthur G. Peterson	M. James Spitzer
Edward W. Greason	Robert J. Reilly	James E. Tolan
William F. Harrington	William J. Rodgers	John R. Vaughan
John C. Heavey		

The firms now studying the facility and submitting detailed plans are:

Wank Adams Slavin Associates - NYC based
Haines, Lundberg & Waehler - NY based
Brobrow, Fieldman Associates, Inc. - NY based
Zane Yost & Associates, Inc., based: Bridgeport, Conn.

A decision on the particular firm and design plan will be made this October.

Preliminary Law School Building Campaign Honor Roll

As of September 15, 1982 a total of 74 alumni, corporations and foundations have made gifts and pledges ranging from \$5,000 to over \$100,000.

These Law School Building Fund pledges may be completed over a period of years. Donors who contribute \$5,000 or more will receive special recognition and their names will be permanently recorded on distinctive plaques at the entrance of the Law School.

***Denotes Leadership Gifts of \$50,000 or more; **Indicates gifts and pledges ranging from \$20,000 to \$49,999; *Gift and pledges ranging from \$10,000 to \$19,999. Our early leaders include:

***	George J. Ames '42	***	DeCamp Foundation (William J. Kramer '63) (Donald J. Zoeller '58)	John C. Heavey '56	**	Denis McInerney '51	Loretta A. Preska '73
**	Richard H. Appert '38	**	Honorable John P. Humes '48			Mead Johnson Foundation (Thomas Kiernan '21)	Henry P. Riordan '49
***	Richard J. Bennett '42	**	Robert F. Dobbin '59	W. Alton Jones Foundation (James P. Farrell '26)	**	William R. Meagher '27 Estate	William J. Rodgers '68
	Paul R. Brenner '67		Emilio A. Dominianni '57	* Thomas J. Kavalier '72	**	Clyde Mitchell '59	Robert J. Ruben '53
*	John J. Breslin, Jr. '32	*	Daniel Donnelly '60	* John R. Kennedy Foundation (Thomas Kiernan '27)	**	S. Leslie Misrock '59	Michael Saperstein '65
*	Carter, Ledyard, Milburn (Robert A. McTamoney '70)		Patricia Farren '73	** Dennis J. Kenny '57	*	Mobil Foundation (Stephen R. LaSala '70)	Thomas J. Schwarz '69
*	J. Kenneth Campbell '48	***	John D. Feerick '61	** Ethel M. King Estate (Thomas I. Sheridan, Jr. '49)	**	Mathias E. Mone '65	Seward & Kissel (Eugene P. Souther '59)
*	George Coleman, Jr. Foundation (Donald M. Dunn '28)	**	Claire Flom	Stefano La Sala Foundation ***	**	Thomas F. X. Mullarkey '59	Joseph E. Soffey '50
*	Joseph M. Costello '51	**	William P. Frank '66	Andrew M. Lawler, Jr. '61	*	Ellin M. Mulholland '55	Honorable James H. Shaw '50
**	Costello & Shea	*	Joseph D. Garon '58	George Link, Jr. Foundation ** (Bernard F. Joyce '58)	*	Donald Mulvihill '56	Mortimer C. Shea '55
**	John A. Craner '59	*	Simon Gluckman '35	James F. Manning '58	**	Paul J. Ostling '73	Francis Y. Sogi '52
**	Denis F. Cronin '74	**	Grand Street Boys Foundation (Hon. Louis J. Capozzoli '22)	Frederick J. Martin	**	John F. X. Peloso '60	Eugene P. Souther '59
*	Thomas F. Curnin '58	*	Beverly B. Goodwin '75	Lawrence P. McCauley '52	**	M. James Spitzer '32	M. James Spitzer '32
*	Maurice F. Curran '58	**	Edward W. Greason '58	John Edward McDermott, Jr. '57	**	James E. Tolan '62	James E. Tolan '62
**	George D'Amato '52	*	Joseph W. Halliday '63	***	Barnet Phillips, IV '73	John R. Vaughan '64	John R. Vaughan '64
**	Eugene T. D'Ablemont '59	*	William F. Harrington '59		Caesar L. Pitassy '41	Donald J. Zoeller '58	Donald J. Zoeller '58

We acknowledge and thank these donors who have made commitments up to - \$4,999.

George F. Alexander Estate	Donald M. Dunn '28	Robert L. Hubbard '36	Kenneth J. McCulloch L'68	Leonard P. Novello '64	Simpson Foundation (Emilio Dominianni '57)
Charles G. Banino '71	Stephen E. Estroff '62	Lloyd I. Isler '42	Richard T. McDermott '66	Daniel J. O'Neill '74	Irene A. Sullivan '75
Richard F. Barry '53	Philip R. Forlenza '66	Robert F. Jacobs '66	Kathleen McInerney '80	Joseph G. Riemer '74	Joseph T. P. Sullivan '24
Ellen McPhillips Baumann '79	John C. Fricano '56	Lawrence Kill '60	Gerald T. McLaughlin '63	Edward E. Rigney '36	William T. Sullivan '53
George A. Brooks '27	Frances M. Gaffney '58	A. Stephen LaSala '40	Joseph C. Miranda '57	Rhoda S. Roth '69	Georgene M. Vairo '79
Byron K. Callan '36	Timothy R. Graham '75	Stephen R. LaSala '70	J. Gregory Milmoie '75	Sachs & Weiss	Laura A. Ward '78
James E. Connors '75	Marion I. Guilfoyle '58	Thomas E. LaSala '78	Thomas F. Molanphy '57	Edward J. Schmock '69	Jonathan B. Whitney '81
Paul J. Curran '56	Jerome S. Hirsch '74	David A. Luttinger '62	Kathleen Mullen '81	Donald L. Schuck, Jr.	Stephen G. Wolfe '78
Joseph S. Di Maria '56	Gail D. Hollister '70	Frank Luciana '51	Martin J. Murtagh '50	Anthony J. Siano '72	

THE BUILDING CAMPAIGN TOTAL - \$3,568,146

Individuals, corporations and foundations are contributing to the success of our building campaign.

As of September 15, 1982 -- 131 gifts and pledges have been received.

Donors may make a multi-year pledge for a specific amount and set their own payment schedule.

The growing cumulative pledge total is a great source of encouragement to all those involved in the campaign and will inspire others to give as well.

PROJECTION
GIFTS NEEDED TO REACH THE GOAL

\$5,000,000 CAMPAIGN FOR THE LAW SCHOOL BUILDING

<u>Size of Gift</u>	<u>Approximate number of donors</u>	<u>Approximate Amount</u>	<u>Gifts and Pledges Received</u>
\$1,000, 000	1	\$ 1,000,000	Leo Kissam 1 -
500,000 and over	2	1,000,000	\$ 2,000,000+
100,000 - 499,999	8	1,000,000	4 - 400,000
50,000 - 99,999	15	1,000,000	5 - 260,000
25,000 - 49,999	20	500,000	15 - 380,000
10,000 - 24,999	22	225,000	23 - 305,425
5,000 - 9,999	30	175,000	30 - 155,253
under - 4,999	<u>1,100</u>	<u>200,000</u>	<u>53 - 67,468</u>
	1,198 Donors	\$ 5,100,000	131 \$ 3,568,146
	Total number of gifts	131	Pledge Total \$ 3,568,146

Other Gifts and Grants

While aggressively seeking additional donors for the Law School Campaign, several other important contributions have been gained. This special generosity and the industriousness of our alumni in uncovering foundation and corporate grants is deeply appreciated.

Louis Stein '26

Active in many civic, charitable and commercial affairs, Mr. Stein has been extraordinarily generous to the Law School over the past 25 years. Mr. Stein sponsors our prestigious annual Award Dinner. In October he is planning to make a major gift to establish a new program at the Law School.

Grand Street Boy's Foundation

Hon. Louis J. Capozzoli '22, a trustee of the Grand Street Boys Foundation, played a significant part in gaining a \$150,000 Scholarship Grant for the Law School. The Foundation is now considering a building fund gift.

Winston Foundation

Sidney C. Norris '27, has been a moving force behind a \$300,000 grant for Law Library acquisitions.

Ethel M. King Estate

Thomas I. Sheridan, Jr. '49, has been tremendously helpful in seeing that the University received a number of gifts. In March, the King Estate gave a special \$25,000 gift to the Law School.

Link Foundation

Bernard F. Joyce '58, made possible a \$100,000 grant for the building fund.

Seward & Kissel

Eugene P. Souther '59 in addition to his personal pledge, was instrumental in securing his firm's gift of \$100,000 to the Law School.

De Camp Foundation

William J. Kramer '63, and Donald J. Zoeller '58, are jointly responsible for presenting the Law School's case to the De Camp Foundation, resulting in a \$50,000 challenge grant.

John R. Kennedy Foundation & Mead Johnson Foundation

Thomas Kiernan '27 helped make possible \$5,000 from each of these foundations.

George Coleman, Jr. Foundation

Donald M. Dunn '28 has gained a \$7,000 grant in 1982 from this Foundation and is exploring other possibilities for the Law School.

W. Alton Jones Foundation

James P. Farrell '26, was responsible for a series of gifts from this foundation including a \$5,000 gift for the building fund.

Mobil Foundation

Stephen R. La Sala '70, secured a \$10,000 gift to the Law School from this corporate Foundation.