

# 2014–2015 Annual Report



## The Year in Perspective

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## Mission:

The mission of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, the ABA's first section, is:

To be a creative national force in providing leadership and services to those responsible for and those who benefit from a sound program of legal education and bar admissions.

To provide a fair, effective, and efficient accrediting system for American law schools that promotes quality legal education, and

To continue to serve, through its Council, as the nationally recognized accrediting body for American law schools.

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# Year in Perspective

**From the Chair  
From the Managing Director  
From the Section Director  
Approval of Law Schools  
Fall Enrollment Statistics**



**Joan S. Howland**

**Roger Noreen Professor of Law  
Associate Dean for  
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University of Minnesota Law School  
Council Chair, 2014-2015**

I have enjoyed a long relationship with the ABA accreditation process and the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, culminating in having the privilege of serving as the chair of the Council during the 2014-2015 year. I thank my Council colleagues, particularly my predecessor, Judge Solomon Oliver, Jr., and my successor, Justice Rebecca Berch, for their collegiality and hard work.

It was another busy and productive year for the Section and the Council. The Council is well served by its key committees. The Accreditation Committee under the direction of Tom Galligan, president of Colby-Sawyer College, rendered decisions or made recommendations to the Council on more than 150 matters. The Standards Review Committee, led by Scott Pagel, associate dean and professor at George Washington School of Law, examined a number of Standards that required further review after the August 2015 completion of the Comprehensive Review. The Data Policy and Collection Committee, chaired by Chris Pietruszkiewicz, dean of the Stetson University College of Law, continued its hard work on the several ABA questionnaires that are fundamental to our process and important policy issues about our work as a collector and publisher of data about legal education.

Non-accreditation-related Section activities benefited from the addition of Erin Ruehrwein in the new position of Section Director. Erin has been with the ABA for more than a decade, having worked for the *ABA Journal* and the Tort, Trial and Insurance Practice Section. She brings a wealth of knowledge on member services, marketing, and conference planning. Reports from Tom Galligan, Scott Pagel, and Erin Ruehrwein, detailing the work of their groups during the year, can be found elsewhere in this Annual Report.

In its role as the national accrediting agency for J.D. programs in the United States, the Council took the following actions during the year.

- Lincoln Memorial University Duncan School of Law in Knoxville, Tennessee, was granted provisional approval in December 2014.
- In March 2015, the Council acquiesced in the separation of Widener University School of Law into two separate, fully approved law schools: Widener University Delaware Law School and Widener University Commonwealth Law School.
- Concordia University School of Law in Boise, Idaho, was granted provisional approval in June 2015.
- Indiana Tech Law School in Ft. Wayne, Indiana, was denied approval in June 2015.
- In August 2015, the Council acquiesced in the application of Rutgers University School of Law-Camden and Rutgers University School of Law-Newark to merge into one fully approved law school: Rutgers University School of Law.

The Council also gave attention to the issues of student loan debt. We presented a program in conjunction with the ABA Law Student Division at the ABA Annual Meeting in Chicago in August, in which Council member Ed Tucker and I both participated.

We continued our collaborative and constructive relationships with our sibling legal education organizations: Access Group, the Association of American Law Schools, the Law School Admission Council, and the National Association of Law Placement.

These are interesting and challenging times for legal education. In many respects, legal education has never been better than it is today. Students have experiences and opportunities that are richer and broader than we had when I was a law student, including many more interdisciplinary courses, experiential learning opportunities, and exposure in a variety of ways to law and the legal profession around the world. At the same time, the economic environment and changes in the legal profession have made it more difficult for many law graduates to establish themselves in their careers.

I appreciate the commitment and creativity of my colleagues on the Council and throughout legal education as we work together to meet the challenges we face and seize the opportunities that are presented to us.



**Barry Currier**  
*Managing Director of  
Accreditation & Legal Education*

### **Whither the ABA Law School Accreditation Project?**

The usual Managing Director's column in this annual report provides an overview of the hard work of the volunteers and staff who operate the ABA law school Accreditation Project and extends particular thanks to the leadership of the Council and its key accreditation-related committees. That is appropriate and will be done, with sincere and deep gratitude to my colleagues in this endeavor. But, we are living and working in unusual times, and I will take this opportunity to say a few words about challenges that the Accreditation Project faces.

### **Challenges for Accreditation**

The ABA Accreditation Project is in a quagmire, a compost of both legitimate and unfounded criticism of higher education, the legal profession, legal education, the role of accreditation generally, and the Accreditation Project itself. A small group of opportunistic and wily journalists, bloggers, and self-appointed reformers stir and perpetuate this caustic stew. They have spun misdeeds by a small number of bad actors and the hyper-competitive inclinations of law school faculties, deans, students, alums, and central administrations (in the bizarre world where institutional rankings are often bigger drivers of a law school's work than are the schools' missions and the needs of the public), into a portrait of law schools that accentuates the negative and ignores the positive. Efforts to counteract false narratives are shouted down as self-serving and naïve. The underlying truths (good and bad) go unexamined in a world that wants its news and analysis short and sweet, quick and simple. The problem, of course, is that the underlying reality is neither black/white nor simple; it is complex and nuanced. The more inflammatory among us shout and set the tone; often the saner and more sophisticated voices stand silently by.

For sure, the ABA Accreditation Project has urgent matters to address. Even with the significant improvements in the Standards coming from the comprehensive review process, the rules and processes that govern legal education are largely the product of a different era and steeped in the politics involved in their creation. Career opportunities for law school graduates today look nothing like they did a couple of decades ago. The reality that most students borrow substantial sums to pay for law school is far different than the way a much less expensive J.D. degree was financed by most students that same two decades ago. We live in a much more data-driven and consumer-oriented society that demands data at a much more micro level, and technology allows us to provide it that way.

Meanwhile, the Accreditation Project has a 20<sup>th</sup> century set of rules and processes for these 21<sup>st</sup> century challenges. Much of the bog we are in is of our own making, but the need for more reform is accelerated by the economic realities of the recent recession and the changed environments in which lawyers and the higher education communities operate.

Whether we can continue to play the constructive role in the evolution of lawyer training and the study of law that we have played for the past half-century or more as an accrediting community now depends almost entirely on our ability to morph a system built for different times into one that effectively responds to today's environment, and to do so with dispatch.



This challenge we face is not unique to the ABA accreditation process. Indeed, accreditation was described in an October 5, 2015 editorial in the *Wall Street Journal* as the undertaking of an “obscure network of higher-ed busybodies” labelled by Senator Marco Rubio as a “cartel of existing colleges and universities, which use their power over the accreditation process to block innovative, low-cost competitors from entering the market.” Accreditation and accrediting agencies were attacked as “wardens of billions in handouts and subsidized student loans,” who adopt and enforce meaningless standards, operate in secret, seldom call an institution to account, tolerate grade inflation, are self-dealing, charge unreasonable sums for their process, impose unreasonable costs on institutions, enforce a monopoly, and have an anti-startup mentality. Though not specifically indicted, the ABA accreditation process, in the *Journal’s* view, would be among the “coterie” of professional accrediting groups that “bless specific programs.”

That is a mouthful of anger, which, as Kris Kristofferson sings, is “partly truth and partly fiction.” But the message is clear, in the words of that Kristofferson song, accreditation is in some ways a “walking contradiction” that needs to find its way home without taking “every wrong direction” along the way.

Commenting on this editorial, the Council of Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), and a leading voice for academic quality in higher education and the role of accreditation in assuring that quality, said:

The message [in the WSJ editorial] to those of us in accreditation [is] powerful and clear: Whether it is our judgments about academic quality, our capacity to protect students from mediocre institutions or bad actors in the higher education community, our role as gatekeepers or our capacity to lead innovation in higher education – we need to change and we need [to] do more. This will not go away because we argue against these perceptions, however strong our arguments. It will not go away because we think others are wrong. It will go away if we find ways to meet the current expectations and needs of society while preserving the best of accreditation as we know it.

I believe, and I trust that most of you do too, that the ABA accreditation process, imperfect as it is, establishes appropriate baseline educational requirements that those who want to be lawyers should meet, does provide the true gatekeepers to the profession – the state supreme courts – with a process that they can rely on to be assured that law schools that are ABA-approved meet those standards, provides considerable room for flexibility and innovation for law schools, provides students and the public with considerable consumer information, and does stand ready to police bad behavior. A strength of the process is that it brings together the profession and the academy to set the framework within which law schools must operate. It’s a collaborative undertaking, not under the control of either. The process does these things at a fraction of the cost of any alternative system that has been proposed, particularly because it relies on the time and talent of hundreds of volunteers each year.

But the Standards and our operating practices should and must continue to improve if we want the Accreditation Project to remain relevant and to continue playing the leadership role that it has historically played in legal education.

The critiques about the role of accreditation generally, as well as the ABA process, are particularly loud right now. It seems to me that almost everyone has a love/hate relationship with accreditation. Maybe that’s the way it should be because it keeps us on our toes. As the CHEA piece says, we will succeed by continuing to change and evolve to meet the legitimate needs of the profession and society. I know that the members of the Council are committed to that and I promise you that all of us on the staff are similarly committed.

### Thanks

The Managing Director's Office staff and I are fortunate to work for a wonderful group of volunteer leaders of the Section and the Accreditation Process.

This year the Council was led by Joan Howland, Associate Dean and Roger Noreen Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota Law School. Joan brought grace, her leadership skills, and her years of experience as a volunteer in our process to her role as Chair. It was a pleasure to work with her. We are also very appreciative to the members of the Council for their collegiality, hard work and insight. At the end of the year, Ruth McGregor, former Chief Justice of Arizona and former Chair of the Council, concluded her maximum period of service as Section Delegate to the ABA House of Delegates. She added so much to the Council over the years, and we miss her. Also finishing their terms on the Council were Tracy Giles, a lawyer from Roanoke, Virginia; Morgan Sammons, a public member of the Council and executive director of the National Register of Health Services Psychologists; and Izaac Rowe, a recent graduate of the UNLV Boyd School of Law and the student member of the Council. Tom Curtin has served with distinction as the ABA Board of Governors' liaison to the Council for the past two years, and we will miss his contributions to our deliberations.

I also want to thank the members of the Accreditation, Standards Review, and Data Policy and Collection Committees—the key accreditation-related committees of the Council, for their service. These are all hard working committees on which we depend completely to get our work done. These committees were chaired in 2014-2015 by Tom Galligan (president of Colby-Sawyer College), Scott Pagel (associate dean and professor at George Washington University Law School), and Chris Pietruszkiewicz (dean at Stetson University College of Law).

Finally, thanks to the literally hundreds of volunteers who served on site teams and participated in the other work of the Section. We appreciate you and do not take for granted the pro bono time that you give to the work of the accreditation process.

Personally, I am very proud to work with my colleagues at the Section Office and in the larger ABA. We have a lot to do, and I am looking forward to us both getting the day-to-day work done and making progress on the bigger picture/longer-term projects that we have on our plates.

## From the Section Director



**Erin Ruehrwein**  
**Section Director**

It's been an exciting year for the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, specifically with regard to non-accreditation-related activities, as we work to expand the value and services we deliver to our members and all those involved with legal education, through relevant programming, publications, and resources, among others. It was an equally exciting year for me as I began my new role as Section Director. It has been an absolute privilege to work with the Section's Council, leadership, members, and staff, all of whom have been extremely welcoming and helpful. I very much look forward to the year ahead.

Expanding the Section's programming and conferences has been a very important task this year. The Section co-sponsored a successful joint program, *Navigating the Waters of Student Debt*, with the Law Student Division during the ABA's 2015 Annual Meeting in Chicago. The program advised students on how they can prudently manage their finances while pursuing their legal education and establishing themselves in the legal profession, and featured a panel that included 2014-2015 Section Chair Joan Howland and Section Secretary Ed Tucker.

Additionally, the Section has been hard at work planning the 2016 Law School Development and Associate Deans Conferences. The Law School Development Conference, *Fostering Engagement and Investment in a Time of Change*, is scheduled for May 31-June 3, 2016, at the Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina Hotel and is co-chaired by Trishana Bowden, vice president for advancement at Goucher College and Dan Rodriguez, dean of Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law. The Associate Deans Conference, *Adapting to a Changing Landscape*, will be held June 16-19, 2016, at the Loews Minneapolis Hotel. The conference is co-chaired by Jackie Gardina, vice dean for faculty at Vermont Law School and Ngai Pindell, vice dean at the University of Nevada-Las Vegas William S. Boyd School of Law. I'd like to thank the conference planning committee chairs and members for dedicating their time and hard work to the organization and execution of these important conferences, which I know many are eager to attend.

The Section also appointed two new committees this past year: Conferences and Programming, and Publications. The Conferences and Programming Committee, chaired by Leslie Cooney, professor at Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad College of Law, will focus on identifying topics for new Section conferences and other educational programs and webinars in order to meet the changing needs and interests of the Section's membership. The Publications Committee, chaired by Anthony Niedwiecki, associate dean for academic affairs at The John Marshall Law School, will be responsible for providing oversight to the Section's Publications Program by implementing a plan to update existing Section publications, identify new titles and authors, review legal education-related book proposals, and provide peer review when necessary. We are very thankful for the leadership of these two committees as we grow our program and publication offerings.

Membership at the ABA has also seen growth and changes this past year. The ABA now offers free membership to students enrolled at ABA-approved law schools. Students also receive free membership in up to five Sections, Divisions or Forums, of their own choosing.

## From the Section Director (continued)

ABA President and former Council Member Paulette Brown, launched the “ABA Everyday” initiative, a year-long calendar that delivers complimentary content daily to you, our members, including free CLE, special events, free products, helpful tools, and member-only discounts and resources. The calendar is featured monthly in the *ABA Journal* and viewable on the ABA website, [www.americanbar.org](http://www.americanbar.org).

As we continue to enhance and expand the benefits we provide in order to better serve our members and the profession, I encourage you to reach out to me should you have any suggestions, comments, or ideas, at [Erin.Ruehrwein@americanbar.org](mailto:Erin.Ruehrwein@americanbar.org). I can't say it enough, thank you for your continued involvement and support of the ABA and the Section.



**Concordia University  
School of Law  
Boise, Idaho**

Provisional approval was granted to Concordia University School of Law in Boise, Idaho in June 2015. The law school is part of the Portland, Oregon-based Concordia University, operated by the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Its first class was admitted in the fall of 2012. The founding dean is Cathy R. Silak.



**Widener University  
Commonwealth Law School  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania**



**Widener University  
Delaware Law School  
Wilmington, Delaware**

At its March 13-14, 2015 meeting, the Council granted acquiescence to Widener University School of Law to formally separate its two campuses in Wilmington, Delaware, and Harrisburg, Pennsylvania into two separate law schools, each with its own full ABA approval. The Wilmington campus is now Widener University Delaware Law School (approved 1975), led by Dean Rodney Smolla. The Harrisburg campus is now Widener University Commonwealth Law School (approved 1988), led by Dean Christian A. Johnson.



**Lincoln Memorial University  
Duncan School of Law  
Knoxville, Tennessee**

Lincoln Memorial University Duncan School of Law in Knoxville, Tennessee, was granted provisional approval in December 2014. The law school's inaugural part-time evening class was enrolled in August 2009. The first full-time program began in August 2010. In spring 2013, the law school graduated its first class with both full and part-time students. The current dean is Gary R. Wade.



**Rutgers University  
School of Law  
Camden Campus**



**Rutgers University  
School of Law  
Newark Campus**

Acquiescence was granted to Rutgers University School of Law-Camden and Rutgers University School of Law-Newark to merge into one fully approved law school to be known as Rutgers University School of Law. The law school is led by co-deans John F.K. Oberdiek (Camden campus) and Ronald K. Chen (Newark campus.). The approval date is 1941.

	2014 204 Schools	2013 203 Schools	2010 200 Schools	2000 185 Schools
<b>Total Law School Enrollment</b>	131,748	138,876	157,298	132,464
<b>Total J.D. Enrollment</b>	119,775	128,712	147,525	125,173
<b>Total Male J.D. Enrollment</b>	61,417	67,174	78,516	64,540
<b>Total Female J.D. Enrollment</b>	58,331	61,538	69,009	60,633
<b>Total Other J.D. Enrollment</b>	27**			
<b>Total Minority J.D. Enrollment</b>	35,754	34,584	35,045	25,753
<b>Total Non-J.D.</b>	11,973	11,152	*	*
<b>Post-J.D.</b>	9,478	9,394	*	*
<b>Other Non-J.D.</b>	2,495	1,738	*	*

	2014 204 Schools	2013 203 Schools	2010 200 Schools	2000 185 Schools
<b>Total First Year Enrollment</b>	38,942	40,802	52,448	43,518
<b>Total Male First Year Enrollment</b>	19,739	20,973	28,226	22,019
<b>Total Female First Year Enrollment</b>	19,197	19,829	24,182	21,449
<b>Total Other First Year Enrollment</b>	6**			
<b>Total Minority First Year Enrollment</b>	12,218	11,892	13,191	9,335

\*Non-J.D. statistics not collected in these years.

\*\*Other gender category not collected in previous years.





# Accreditation

**Accreditation Committee Report  
Standards Review Committee Report  
Site Evaluation Visits  
Foreign Program Site Visits**

# Accreditation Committee Report

## **Thomas C. Galligan, Jr.**

**President and Professor**

*Colby-Sawyer College*

*Chair, 2014-2015 Accreditation Committee*

The 2014-2015 year was a busy, productive, and collegial year for the Accreditation Committee.

The Committee met five times for a total of 14 days in September, October, January, April, and June. The Committee rendered decisions or made recommendations to the Council on 154 matters. This work included recommendations on three applications for provisional approval and six applications for a major change; decision letters on 29 site reports; and consideration of 55 applications to establish new non-J.D. programs. In addition, on recommendation from its Foreign Programs Subcommittee, the Committee reviewed 5 new foreign summer programs, 37 foreign program site visit reports, and 7 requests for modification of previously approved foreign programs.

The Committee also continued the process initiated last year for interim monitoring of law schools. Pursuant to this process, the Annual Questionnaire submitted by each law school in October is reviewed against a menu of “triggers”. These triggers are designed to identify potential problems by evaluation of changes in first-year student entering credentials, admission rate, direct expenditures, and/or enrollment, and by examination of outcome measures such as bar passage and employment statistics. Law schools tripping triggers under this process are reviewed by the Committee, leading to inquiry by the Committee in appropriate cases. If the school is undergoing current sabbatical review, the information developed by the interim monitoring process is forwarded to the site team for its review and appropriate inquiry. The process is working well, enabling the Committee to identify schools with potential issues as to compliance with the Standards between sabbatical visits, while not being too intrusive for the schools.

The Committee continued its recent practice of sending a liaison to the meetings of the Standards Review Committee, in order to inform that body of how the Committee interprets and applies various Standards and to raise issues with draft language for new or amended Standards. The exchange is, we believe, beneficial to both committees, and we appreciate the opportunity for this dialogue.

Additional subcommittees, task forces, and liaison assignments kept the Committee members busy, as we continued efforts to both improve our processes and contribute to the operation of the Accreditation Project.

Sadly, one of our members passed away this year. Ada Meloy, general counsel for the American Council of Higher Education, died in a car accident on Thanksgiving Day while traveling to visit family. Ada was a fabulous committee member who ably chaired the Non-J.D. Subcommittee for several years. We were devastated by her loss and continue to extend our thoughts and wishes to her family. It was a joy to work with Ada and she truly made all our lives better.

Three other members also left the committee. Bob Glidden, a public member and former university president, left the committee after six years. Bob was an incredible and dedicated colleague, whose wisdom, intelligence, dedication, and wit always elevated discussion. Bob was instrumental in bringing his extensive experience in higher education and accreditation to our committee. As importantly, Bob was a close and wonderful friend. Patricia Timmons-Goodson, a retired Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, was also recognized for completing two years of service on our committee. And, I left the committee after eight years, the last two as chair. As I leave the committee I extend my heartfelt thanks to Barry Currier, Bill Adams, Ed Butterfoss, Cathy Schrage, Marsha Factor, Camille deJorna, Becky Stretch, Stephanie Giggetts, Chris Rendall, and the entire staff for their unflinching support and guidance.

I am pleased to report that Rebecca Hanner White, the former dean of the University of Georgia School of Law, has agreed to serve as chair of the Committee this year. In addition, Professor Pamela Lysaght, who is retired from the Detroit Mercy School of Law, will serve as vice chair. They will be a fantastic team!



**Back row:** Christopher Rendall (staff), Donald Dahlin, Robert Glidden, Peter Glenn, Paul George

**Middle row:** Marsha Factor (staff), Cathy Schrage (staff), Pamela Lysaght, Susan Kay, Joanne Scanlon Prestia, Arthur Gaudio, Patricia Timmons-Goodson, Adrien Wing, Carol Kapsner, Frederic White, Charlotte Stretch (staff)

**Front row:** Alex Johnson, Camille deJorna (staff), Barry Currier (staff), Thomas Galligan, William Adams (staff) David Brennen, Stephanie Giggetts (staff)

# 2014–2015 Accreditation Committee

**(Affiliations reflect those held at the time.)**

## **Chair**

**Thomas C. Galligan, Jr.**

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Colby-Sawyer College  
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*Professor & Associate Dean*

University of Iowa College of Law  
Iowa City, Iowa

## Scott B. Pagel

*Associate Dean for Information Services & Professor of Law*

*The George Washington University Law School*

*Chair, 2014–2015 Standards Review Committee*

After the conclusion of the Comprehensive Review of the Standards and the concurrence in the recommended changes by the ABA House of Delegates in August 2014, the Standards Review Committee set out in 2014-2015 to consider the Standards that had raised concerns during the concurrence process. It also asked the Council to place on its agenda those revisions of the Standards over which law schools and the staff of the Office of the Managing Director had raised concerns.

During the course of the year, the Committee held two very productive information sessions at which it heard various viewpoints on Standards 205 (Non-Discrimination and Equality of Opportunity), 206 (Diversity and Inclusion), and 305 (Field Placements and Other Study Outside the Classroom). As noted below, the work on these Standards will be continued into 2015-2016.

The following revisions to Standards and Rules were recommended by the Committee, adopted by the Council, and concurred in by the House of Delegates during 2014-2015.

- **Definition (17) and Standard 106:** The definition of “separate location” in the Standard and the definition section were clarified by specifying that it applies only to those situations where a student may earn more than sixteen credit hours of the school’s program of legal education, and not where a school offers more than sixteen credit hours.
- **Standard 105 and Rule 29(a):** The Standard and the Rule were modified to clarify the instances when the addition of courses or programs are to be considered a major change that requires acquiescence. Rule 29 also was modified to clarify, for purposes of the Department of Education, the instances when creation of a separate location requires the appointment of a fact finder and the factors to be considered in determining whether a major change is so significant as to constitute the creation of a new or different law school.
- **Standard 304:** The Standard was modified to include additional clinical experiences that involve real life settings but not necessarily the representation of a client.
- **Standard 305(e)(6):** The Standard was modified to change the requirement for an appropriate foundation for participation in field placements. The Committee recommended that the requirement be changed from 28 credits (which had been revised during the comprehensive review from one year of full-time or part-time study) to a requirement that a student “has successfully completed sufficient prerequisites or contemporaneously receives sufficient training.”
- **Interpretation 305-3:** The Interpretation was added to emphasize the point that, in order to qualify as an experiential course under Standard 303, a field placement would have to meet the requirements set out in that Standard.
- **Standard 311(a) and Interpretation 311-1:** The requirement of 140 days of regular instruction found in Standard 311(a) and the accompanying Interpretation 311-1 were eliminated. They were deemed unnecessary given that the other requirements in Standard 311 offer sufficient protection to ensure an academic calendar that is of sufficient length and breadth, and given the newly stated requirements found in Standard 310 regarding credit hours.

- **Standard 311(f) and Standard 308(a):** The Standards were modified by moving the requirement that the school adopt, publish, and adhere to a written policy requiring regular attendance from 311(f) to 308, which contains similar obligations.
- **Interpretation 311-4:** The Interpretation was modified so as to make clear the point at which law study commences when credit is granted for work completed at another institution.
- **Standard 502(b)(2):** The word “legal” was removed from the Standard to make clear that it addresses the conditions of an undergraduate education.
- **Standard 505(b):** The Standard was returned to its condition before the comprehensive review so as to permit law schools to accept credit completed at a law school in the United States not approved by the Council if the unapproved law school has been granted the power to confer the J.D. by the appropriate governmental authority in that jurisdiction.
- **Rules 27 and 28:** The Rules were amended to better enable the Managing Director’s Office to schedule site evaluations for schools seeking provisional or full approval.
- **Rule 29:** The Rule was amended to reflect the Department of Education requirement that decisions of the Council pertaining to acquiescence in a major change may not be retroactive.
- **Rule 30:** The Rule was amended to ensure compliance with the Department of Education requirement regarding the timing of fact finding visits to law schools following acquiescence in certain types of major changes.

The Committee also offered two alternatives to the Council regarding Interpretation 503-3. The Council accepted a recommendation that the Interpretation be eliminated to remove the possibility of a law school admitting up to 10% of an entering class without requiring the LSAT. The Council also requested that the Committee make additional changes to the interpretations accompanying Standard 503 before submitting the package to the House of Delegates for concurrence.

The Committee also offered recommendations to the Council regarding Standards 205, 206, and 305. Standards 205 and 206 were returned to the Committee to draft language that more clearly specified the groups covered and to restore some of the language that had been eliminated in its draft. Standard 305 was returned to the Committee to draft language that would better define the expectations involved for a field placement and, in light of any changes, to reconsider the Interpretation prohibiting credit for participation in a field placement for which a student received compensation.

The Committee offered a recommendation to the Council concerning the collection and reporting of data on attrition. It recommended that the data be collected and disseminated in such a fashion as to provide applicants with more detailed information regarding their chances of completing the program of legal education at a particular institution, and to provide the Accreditation Committee and the Council with additional information regarding an institution’s compliance with Standard 501(b) regarding admission of applicants who do not appear capable of satisfactorily completing the program of legal education.

My deep appreciation and thanks to the committee members who worked diligently on these revisions and to the members of the Section staff who provided invaluable support and guidance.

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## Sabbatical Evaluations

### **University of California, Hastings College of the Law**

**November 16-19, 2014**

**Chair:** Larry R. Dessem, Professor, University of Missouri School of Law  
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### **University of Dayton School of Law**

**October 5-8, 2014**

**Chair:** Stacy L. Brustin, Professor, The Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law  
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### **DePaul University College of Law**

**March 29-April 1, 2015**

**Chair:** Margaret L. Paris, Professor, University of Oregon School of Law  
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### **Duke University School of Law**

**November 16-19, 2014**

**Chair:** Alex M. Johnson Jr., Professor, University of Virginia School of Law  
Pauline M. Aranas, Associate Dean, Law Library Director & Professor, University of Southern California, Gould School of Law  
David Baum, Assistant Dean, University of Michigan Law School  
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**Emory University School of Law**

**March 22-25, 2015**

**Chair:** A. Mechele Dickerson, Professor, University of Texas School of Law  
Penelope Bryan, Dean, Whittier Law School  
Irving Freeman, Vice President, Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine  
Martha E. Gaines, Professor, University of Wisconsin Law School  
Scott F. Norberg, Professor, Florida International University College of Law  
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**Florida State University College of Law**

**March 29-April 1, 2015**

**Chair:** Nancy B. Rapoport; Acting Executive Vice President, Provost & Professor; University of Nevada-  
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**Hofstra University School of Law**

**April 12-15, 2015**

**Chair:** Thomas A. Edmonds; Retired; Richmond, Virginia  
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Michele R. Pistone, Clinic Director, Villanova University School of Law

**Howard University School of Law**

**March 1-4, 2015**

**Chair:** Penelope Andrews, President, Albany Law School  
Janice Austin, Assistant Dean, University of California-Irvine, School of Law  
Simon Canick, Associate Dean, William Mitchell College of Law  
John Capowski, Professor Emeritus, Widener University Commonwealth Law School  
Devon Carbado, Professor, University of California-Los Angeles, School of Law  
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## Site Evaluation Visits (continued)

### **Loyola Law School-Los Angeles**

**October 19-22, 2014**

**Chair:** Joan S. Howland, Associate Dean & Professor, University of Minnesota Law School  
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### **Loyola University-New Orleans, College of Law**

**March 15-18, 2015**

**Chair:** C. Peter Goplerud, President, InfiLaw Management Solutions  
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Lewis Silverman, Professor & Clinic Director, Touro College Law Center

### **University of Maine School of Law**

**October 26-29, 2014**

**Chair:** Cynthia L. Fountaine, Dean, Southern Illinois University School of Law  
Rafael Gely, Professor, University of Missouri School of Law  
Penny Hazelton, Professor, University of Washington School of Law  
Christine Helwick, Of Counsel, Hirschfeld Kraemer LLP  
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### **University of New Hampshire School of Law**

**March 29-April 1, 2015**

**Chair:** John S. Beckerman, Visiting Professor, Rutgers University School of Law-Camden  
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James Rosenblatt, Dean Emeritus & Professor, Mississippi College School of Law  
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**University of New Mexico School of Law**

**September 28-October 1, 2014**

**Chair:** Lisa A. Kloppenberg, Dean, Santa Clara University School of Law  
Maureen Armour, Professor & Clinic Director, Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law  
Nancy Armstrong, Professor & Law Library Director, Ohio Northern University College of Law  
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**University of North Carolina School of Law**

**October 26-29, 2014**

**Chair:** Roger J. Dennis, Dean, Drexel University, Thomas R. Kline School of Law  
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Stephen S. Dunham, Vice President & General Counsel, Penn State University  
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Janet Laybold, Assistant Dean, Notre Dame Law School

**Pace University School of Law**

**September 21-24, 2014**

**Chair:** Rudolph C. Hasl; Retired Dean & Professor, San Diego, California  
Denise Avant, Assistant Public Defender, Cook County Public Defender Office  
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Nancy Marlin, Professor & Provost Emeritus, San Diego State University  
Linda M. Ryan; Retired; Garden City, New York  
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**University of Richmond, T. C. Williams School of Law**

**February 22-25, 2015**

**Chair:** Leigh H. Taylor, Dean Emeritus & Professor, Southwestern Law School  
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**St. Mary's University School of Law**

**November 9-12, 2014**

**Chair:** Susan L. Kay, Associate Dean & Professor, Vanderbilt University Law School  
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## Site Evaluation Visits (continued)

### **University of San Francisco School of Law**

**March 29-April 1, 2015**

**Chair:** Katherine S. Broderick, Dean, University of the District of Columbia, David A. Clarke School of Law  
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### **Santa Clara University School of Law**

**March 15-18, 2015**

**Chair:** Nell Jessup Newton, Dean, Notre Dame Law School  
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Lynn Wishart; Associate Dean, Law Library Director & Professor; Yeshiva University, Cardozo School of Law  
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### **Southern University Law Center**

**March 15-18, 2015**

**Chair:** Erica Moeser, President & CEO, National Conference of Bar Examiners  
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Emily Janoski-Haehlen, Associate Dean for Law Library Services & Professor, Valparaiso University Law School  
Sue Liemer, Professor & Director of Lawyering Skills, Southern Illinois University School of Law  
Miles J. Postema, Vice President & General Counsel, Ferris State University  
Frederic White, Professor, Texas A&M University School of Law  
Robert Wilcox, Dean, University of South Carolina School of Law

### **University of Southern California, Gould School of Law**

**February 22-25, 2015**

**Chair:** Richard Schmalbeck, Professor, Duke University School of Law  
Alicia Alvarez, Professor, University of Michigan Law School  
Steven M. Barkan, Professor & Law Library Director, University of Wisconsin Law School  
Jeffrey Rensberger, Vice President & Professor, South Texas College of Law  
Mark Smith, Associate Chancellor, Washington University  
Benjamin Spencer, Professor, University of Virginia School of Law  
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**Southwestern Law School**

**February 25-28, 2015**

**Chair:** Dennis O. Lynch, Dean Emeritus & Professor, University of Miami School of Law  
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Stephanie Giggetts, Assistant Consultant, ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar  
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Lynn McDowell, Retired, Florida Coastal School of Law  
Tomea Mersmann, Professor, Washington University School of Law  
Steven L. Willborn, Professor, University of Nebraska College of Law

**Texas Southern University, Thurgood Marshall School of Law**

**November 2-5, 2014**

**Chair:** Adrien Wing, Associate Dean & Professor, University of Iowa College of Law  
Catherine R. Dunham, Professor, Elon University School of Law  
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**University of Tulsa College of Law**

**September 28-October 1, 2014**

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**Wake Forest University School of Law**

**March 22-25, 2015**

**Chair:** Mary Kay Kane; Dean Emeritus, Chancellor & Professor; University of California, Hastings College of the Law  
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James A. Cohen, Professor, Fordham University School of Law  
Deborah M. Keene, Associate Dean, George Mason University School of Law  
Susan Palmer, Associate Dean, University of South Carolina School of Law

## Site Evaluation Visits (continued)

### **Washburn University School of Law**

**February 22-25, 2015**

**Chair:** Ron Chen, Interim Dean, Rutgers University School of Law-Newark  
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Lori Fox, General Counsel, Teachers College, Columbia University  
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### **Provisional Evaluations**

#### **Belmont University College of Law**

**March 1-4, 2015**

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Ann Juergens, Professor, William Mitchell College of Law  
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#### **University of Massachusetts School of Law-Dartmouth**

**March 8-11, 2015**

**Chair:** Donald Polden, Dean Emeritus & Professor, Santa Clara University School of Law  
Sharon D. Herzberger, President, Whittier College  
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Jequita Napoli, Special Judge, Cleveland County (Oklahoma) District Court  
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### **Application for Provisional Approval**

#### **Indiana Tech Law School**

**September 14-17, 201**

**Chair:** Susan L. Brody, Professor, The John Marshall Law School (Chicago)  
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Judith Kilpatrick, Professor Emeritus, University of Arkansas-Fayetteville, School of Law  
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### **Fact Finder Visits**

#### **University of Arizona School of Law, James E. Rogers College of Law**

**February 3-4, 2015**

**Chair:** Louis D. Bilionis, Dean, University of Cincinnati College of Law

**Concordia University School of Law**

**September 24-25, 2014**

**Chair:** Charles Goldner, Dean Emeritus & Professor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, William H. Bowen School of Law

Michael Goodnight, Associate Dean, University of Miami School of Law

**Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center**

**October 8-9, 2014**

**Chair:** Joseph D. Harbaugh, Professor Emeritus, Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center

**William Mitchell College of Law**

**April 7-9, 2015**

**Chair:** Joseph D. Harbaugh, Professor Emeritus, Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center  
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**Western State College of Law**

**August 25, 2015**

**Chair:** Paul M. George, Associate Dean, University of Pennsylvania Law School

**University of New Hampshire School of Law**

**February 17, 2015**

**Chair:** Peter Alexander, Esq.; Carbondale, Illinois

**University of Oregon School of Law**

**September 22-23, 2014**

**Chair:** Michael Chiorazzi, Associate Dean, University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law

**Rutgers University School of Law-Camden**

**February 4-6, 2015**

**Chair:** Frank Wu, Chancellor & Dean, University of California, Hastings College of the Law

Dan Freehling, Esq.; Pittsboro, North Carolina

Anne Lukingbeal, Associate Dean, Cornell Law School

Anthony Niedwiecki, Associate Dean & Professor, The John Marshall Law School (Chicago)

**Rutgers University School of Law-Newark**

**February 4-5, 2015**

**Chair:** Frank Wu, Chancellor & Dean, University of California, Hastings College of the Law

Dan Freehling, Esq.; Pittsboro, North Carolina

Anne Lukingbeal, Associate Dean, Cornell Law School

Anthony Niedwiecki, Associate Dean & Professor, The John Marshall Law School (Chicago)

**Widener University, Commonwealth Law School**

**October 20-21, 2014**

**Chair:** Richardson Lynn, Dean Emeritus, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School

**Widener University, Delaware Law School**

**October 20-21, 2014**

**Chair:** Richardson Lynn, Dean Emeritus, Atlanta's John Marshall Law School

# Foreign Program Site Visits

## CONTINUING FOREIGN SUMMER PROGRAMS

### **American University, Washington College of Law June 14-17, 2015**

*Paris/Geneva/Brussels/London*  
Frederic White  
Former Dean & Professor  
Shaker Heights, Ohio

### **University of Florida, Fredric G. Levin College of Law July 6-8, 2015**

*Montpellier, France*  
Jequita Napoli  
Special Judge  
Cleveland County District Court (Oklahoma)

### **Louisiana State University, Paul M. Hebert Law Center June 22-23, 2015**

*Lyon, France*  
Dennis Lynch  
Dean Emeritus & Professor  
University of Miami School of Law

### **Loyola University-Chicago, School of Law July 5-9, 2015**

*Rome, Italy*  
Joan S. Howland  
Associate Dean  
University of Minnesota Law School

### **Loyola University-New Orleans, College of Law July 13-15, 2015**

*Vienna, Austria*  
James M. Klein  
Professor  
Charleston School of Law

### **Michigan State University College of Law May 25-27, 2015**

*Kyoto, Japan*  
Susan Kay  
Associate Dean & Professor  
Vanderbilt University Law School

### **University of Mississippi School of Law July 17-22, 2015**

*Cambridge, England*  
James P. White  
Professor  
Indiana University-Indianapolis, Robert H. McKinney  
School of Law

### **New York Law School May 26-28, 2015**

*London, England*  
Maureen O'Rourke  
Dean  
Boston University School of Law

### **University of Oklahoma College of Law July 7-9, 2015**

*Oxford England*  
Peter Joy  
Professor  
Washington University School of Law

### **University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law June 8-12, 2015**

*Antigua, Guatemala*  
Leo Martinez  
Professor  
University of California, Hastings College of the Law

### **Pepperdine University, Odell McConnell Law Center May 25-28, 2015**

*London, England/Geneva, Switzerland*  
Donald J. Polden  
Dean Emeritus & Professor  
Santa Clara University School of Law

### **University of San Diego School of Law July 7-9, 2015**

*London, England*  
David Brennen  
Dean  
University of Kentucky College of Law



**Santa Clara University School of Law  
July 19-21 and 24, 2015**

*Oxford, England*  
Arthur Gaudio  
Professor & Dean Emeritus  
Western New England University School of Law

**Southern Methodist University,  
Dedman School of Law  
July 22-23, 2015**

*Oxford, England*  
Arthur Gaudio  
Professor & Dean Emeritus  
Western New England University School of Law

**St. John's University School of Law  
June 8-10, 2015**

*Rome, Italy*  
Rebecca Hanner White  
Professor  
University of Georgia School of Law

**St. Mary's University School of Law  
July 27-28, 2015**

*Innsbruck, Austria*  
Antonio García-Padilla  
Dean Emeritus & Professor  
University of Puerto Rico School of Law

**St. Mary's University School of Law  
June 10-11, 2015**

*Beijing, China*  
Rebecca White Berch  
Justice  
Arizona Supreme Court

**St. Thomas University School of Law  
June 9-12, 2015**

*San Lorenzo de El Escorial, Spain/Delft, The Netherlands*  
Charles Goldner  
Dean Emeritus & Professor  
University of Arkansas at Little Rock, William H. Bowen  
School of Law

**Syracuse University College of Law  
July 6-9, 2015**

*London, England*  
Raymond C. Pierce  
Partner  
Nelson, Mullins, et al

**Wake Forest University School of Law  
July 12-14, 2015**

*Vienna, Austria*  
Scott Bales  
Chief Justice  
Arizona Supreme Court

**Washburn University School of Law  
June 29-July 2, 2015**

*Cave Hill, Barbados*  
Adrien Wing  
Associate Dean & Professor  
University of Iowa College of Law

**NEW FOREIGN SUMMER PROGRAMS**

**Arizona Summit Law School  
May 3-6, 2015**

*Mexico City, Mexico*  
Charles R. Nash  
Vice Chancellor  
The University of Alabama System

**University of Denver, Sturm College of Law  
June 10-11, 2015**

*Sorrento, Italy*  
Edward N. Tucker  
Senior Director  
Ellin & Tucker Chartered

**DePaul University College of Law  
July 23-28, 2015**

*Berlin, Germany*  
Solomon Oliver, Jr.  
Chief Judge  
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio

## Foreign Program Site Visits (continued)

### **Ohio Northern University, Claude W. Petit College of Law**

**July 7-10, 2015**

*Reykjavik, Iceland*

Michael J. Davis

Professor

University of Kansas School of Law

### **Stetson University College of Law**

**July 27-29, 2015**

*Oxford, England*

Peter Glenn

Of Counsel

Stevens & Lee, P.C.

## CONTINUING INTERSESSION PROGRAMS

### **Stetson University College of Law**

**December 29-30, 2014**

*Cayman Islands*

Carol Kapsner

Justice

North Dakota Supreme Court

## NEW INTERSESSION PROGRAMS

### **Valparaiso University School of Law**

**March 3-5, 2015**

*Hod HaSharon, Israel*

Bradley Toben

Dean

Baylor University School of Law



# Special Events

**Workshops and Conferences  
Kutak Award Winner**

## Workshops for Deans

The Section held its annual workshops for deans of ABA-approved law schools. The Deans Workshop took place February 19-21, 2015 at the Westin Georgetown in Washington, DC. It featured a keynote address by Andrew S. Rosen, chairman of Kaplan Inc., and executive vice president of Graham Holding Companies.

The New Deans Seminar, for deans who have been in their positions for 18 months or less, was held June 9-11, 2015 at the Conrad Hotel in Chicago. In addition to the recurring programs on A Day in the Life of a Dean, Finances, Faculty, Development and Alumni Relations, Staff and Student Relations, the participants heard from Joyce McConnell, provost and vice president for academic affairs at West Virginia University.



## Site Evaluation and Questionnaire Workshops

In its role as the national accrediting agency for law schools in the United States, the Section conducts yearly training workshops in Chicago for site team members, law schools with upcoming site visits, and law school faculty and staff who complete the annual and site evaluation questionnaires. The 2015 workshops were held as follows:

- Site Team Chairs Workshop: August 23 with 36 participants
- Site Evaluation Workshop: September 13 with 136 participants
- Annual Questionnaire Training: July 18 with 100 participants
- Site Evaluation Questionnaire Training: July 17 with 80 participants



### E. Thomas Sullivan

#### E. Thomas Sullivan Receives the 2015 Robert J. Kutak Award

E. Thomas Sullivan, president of the University of Vermont, was named the 2015 recipient of the Robert J. Kutak Award. Sullivan became the 26<sup>th</sup> president of Vermont in 2012 after a long and distinguished career in legal education. He began his career as a member of the faculty of the University of Missouri Law School. He also served on the faculty of Washington University in St. Louis before serving as dean the University of Arizona Law School. In 1995, Sullivan became dean of the University of Minnesota Law School, and from 2004 through January 2012 he served at Minnesota as senior vice president for academic affairs and provost. In addition to his extensive administrative experience, Sullivan is also a nationally recognized authority and prolific scholar on antitrust law and complex litigation.

Throughout his career, Sullivan has been an active leader in the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar. He has served as the chair and as a member of numerous ABA sabbatical evaluation teams. Sullivan was a member of the Section's Council from 1996 to 2004, serving as the 2002-2003 Chair. His many other contributions to the Section include chairing the Task Force on Accreditation Process, the Task Force on Long Range Planning and Strategic Objectives, the Rules Revision Committee, and the Nominations Committee.

Sullivan received the Robert J. Kutak Award at a reception in his honor on Friday, July 31 during the 2015 ABA Annual Meeting in Chicago.

The Robert J. Kutak Award is given out annually by the Section to honor an individual who has made significant contributions to the collaboration of the legal academy, the bench, and the bar. The award was established in memory of Mr. Kutak, a respected Omaha lawyer, who was committed to legal reform and a strong advocate for legal education.



Several former Kutak Award recipients were on hand to welcome Tom Sullivan to their ranks: (left to right) Peter Winograd, James White, Tom Sullivan, Erica Moeser, Jeffrey Lewis, and Gerald VandeWalle.



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**Section Membership Report**  
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# Section Membership Report

Section Membership	2011–2012	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015
Law Students	1,658	1,409	1,157	1,048
Associates	1,299	1,268	1,243	1,192
Lawyers	10,501	10,735	10,408	9,980
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>13,458</b>	<b>13,412</b>	<b>12,808</b>	<b>12,220</b>

Section Membership	2011–2012	2012–2013	2013–2014	2014–2015
Individual Members	3,064	3,820	3,432	2,430
Faculty Group Program	10,394	9,592	9,376	9,790



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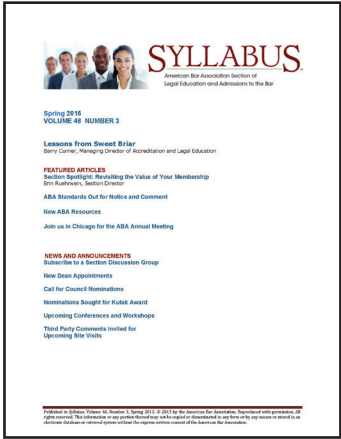
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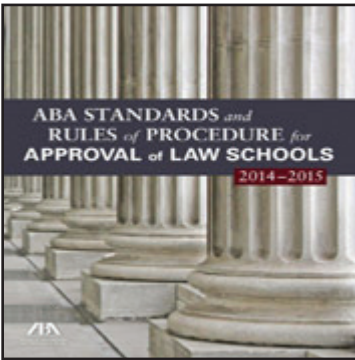
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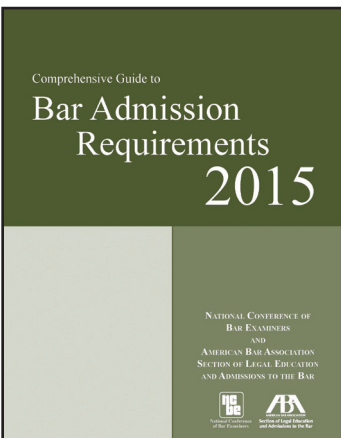
*Syllabus*, the Section’s quarterly e-newsletter keeps members up-to-date on Section news, changes in the *Standards and Rules for Approval of Law Schools*, and innovations in legal education. An archive of past issues is available on the Syllabus web page.

## 2014-2015 ABA Standards and Rules for Approval of Law Schools



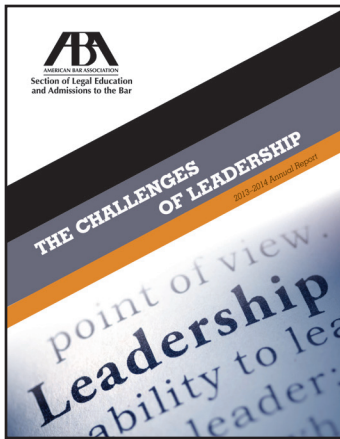
Outlining the Standards and Rules with which law schools must comply to obtain and retain ABA approval, the 2014-2015 edition reflects all changes approved by the Council during the year. The revised Standards and Rules were legally effective as of the end of the ABA Annual Meeting on August 12, 2014. However, cognizant that law schools will need time to do the work that some of the changed Standards require, the Council and the Section established a transition and implementation plan. To facilitate that transition, the 2014-2015 edition of the *ABA Standards and Rules for Approval of Law Schools* contains both the 2013-2014 Standards and the 2014-2015 revised Standards.

The Internal Operating Practices, Council Statements, and Consultant’s Memos were removed from the book but are available online on the Section’s Standards page.



## Comprehensive Guide to Bar Admission Requirements

Co-published with the National Conference of Bar Examiners, the *Comprehensive Guide* charts the rules and practices of all U.S. jurisdictions for admission to the Bar by examination and on motion. It also contains a directory of state bar admission agencies.



## 2013–2014 Annual Report

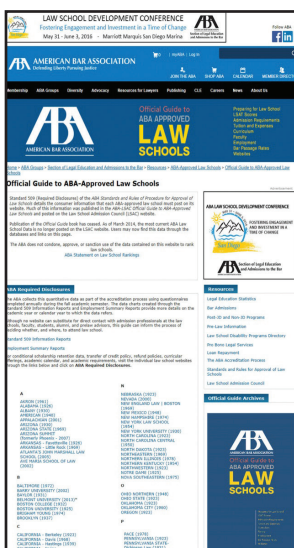
The Section’s Annual Report provides an overview of the activities and accomplishments of the Section during the previous Association year, including law school site evaluation teams, Council and committee leadership, and the list of ABA-approved law schools.



## Section website: [www.americanbar.org/legaled](http://www.americanbar.org/legaled)

The Section’s website offers an abundance of resources for law school faculty, law students, and prospective law students. Popular pages include the list of ABA-approved law schools, Standards and Rules for Approval of Law Schools, bar admissions, legal education statistics, and the post-JD/non-JD programs offered at ABA-approved law schools.

Through the website, legal education professionals can learn about upcoming conferences and workshops.



## Official Guide to ABA-Approved Law Schools

This online database allows users to access consumer information on all ABA-approved law schools. Search categories include admission requirements, tuition and expenses, curriculum and faculty, graduate employment information, and bar pass rates.

# ABA-Approved Law Schools

(as of August 31, 2015)

**The University of Akron**  
**C. Blake McDowell Law Center**  
Akron, Ohio

**University of Alabama**  
**School of Law**  
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

**Albany Law School**  
Albany, New York

**American University**  
**Washington College of Law**  
Washington, D.C.

**Appalachian School of Law**  
Grundy, Virginia

**The University of Arizona**  
**James E. Rogers College of Law**  
Tucson, Arizona

**Arizona State University**  
**Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law**  
Tempe, Arizona

**Arizona Summit Law School**  
Phoenix, Arizona

**University of Arkansas**  
**School of Law**  
Fayetteville, Arkansas

**University of Arkansas at Little Rock**  
**William H. Bowen School of Law**  
Little Rock, Arkansas

**Atlanta's John Marshall Law School**  
Atlanta, Georgia

**Ave Maria School of Law**  
Naples, Florida

**University of Baltimore**  
**School of Law**  
Baltimore, Maryland

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**Dwayne O. Andreas School of Law**  
Orlando, Florida

**Baylor University**  
**School of Law**  
Waco, Texas

**\*Belmont University**  
**College of Law**  
Nashville, Tennessee

**Boston College**  
**Law School**  
Newton, Massachusetts

**Boston University**  
**School of Law**  
Boston, Massachusetts

**Brigham Young University**  
**J. Reuben Clark Law School**  
Provo, Utah

**Brooklyn Law School**  
Brooklyn, New York

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**Law School (SUNY)**  
Buffalo, New York

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**School of Law**  
Berkeley, California

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**Davis, School of Law**  
Davis, California

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**College of the Law**  
San Francisco, California

**University of California-Irvine**  
**School of Law**  
Irvine, California

**University of California at Los Angeles**  
**School of Law**  
Los Angeles, California

**California Western**  
**School of Law**  
San Diego, California

**Campbell University**  
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Raleigh, North Carolina

**Capital University**  
**Law School**  
Columbus, Ohio

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Cleveland, Ohio

**The Catholic University of America**  
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Orange, California

**Charleston School of Law**  
Charleston, South Carolina

**Charlotte School of Law**  
Charlotte, North Carolina

**University of Chicago**  
**Law School**  
Chicago, Illinois

**Chicago-Kent College of Law**  
**Illinois Institute of Technology**  
Chicago, Illinois

**University of Cincinnati**  
**College of Law**  
Cincinnati, Ohio

**City University of New York**  
**School of Law (CUNY)**  
Long Island City, New York

**Cleveland State University**  
**Cleveland-Marshall College of Law**  
Cleveland, Ohio

**University of Colorado**  
**Law School**  
Boulder, Colorado

**Columbia University**  
**School of Law**  
New York, New York

**\*Concordia University**  
**School of Law**  
Boise, Idaho

**University of Connecticut**  
**School of Law**  
Hartford, Connecticut

**Cornell Law School**  
Ithaca, New York

**Creighton University**  
**School of Law**  
Omaha, Nebraska

**University of Dayton**  
**School of Law**  
Dayton, Ohio

**University of Denver**  
**Sturm College of Law**  
Denver, Colorado

**DePaul University**  
**College of Law**  
Chicago, Illinois

**University of Detroit Mercy**  
**School of Law**  
Detroit, Michigan

**University of the District of Columbia**  
**David A. Clarke School of Law**  
Washington, D.C.

**Drake University**  
**Law School**  
Des Moines, Iowa

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**Thomas R. Kline School of Law**  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Duke University**  
**School of Law**  
Durham, North Carolina

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**Duquesne University  
School of Law**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

**Elon University  
School of Law**

Greensboro, North Carolina

**Emory University  
School of Law**

Atlanta, Georgia

**Faulkner University  
Thomas Goode Jones School of Law**

Montgomery, Alabama

**Florida A&M University  
College of Law**

Orlando, Florida

**Florida Coastal School of Law**

Jacksonville, Florida

**University of Florida  
Fredric G. Levin College of Law**

Gainesville, Florida

**Florida International University  
College of Law**

Miami, Florida

**Florida State University  
College of Law**

Tallahassee, Florida

**Fordham University  
School of Law**

New York, New York

**George Mason University  
School of Law**

Arlington, Virginia

**George Washington University  
Law School**

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**Georgetown University  
Law Center**

Washington, D.C.

**University of Georgia  
School of Law**

Athens, Georgia

**Georgia State University  
College of Law**

Atlanta, Georgia

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School of Law**

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School of Law**

Spokane, Washington

**Hamline University  
School of Law**

St. Paul, Minnesota

**Harvard Law School**

Cambridge, Massachusetts

**University of Hawai'i  
William S. Richardson School of Law**

Honolulu, Hawai'i

**Hofstra University  
School of Law**

Hempstead, New York

**University of Houston  
Law Center**

Houston, Texas

**Howard University  
School of Law**

Washington, D.C.

**University of Idaho  
College of Law**

Moscow, Idaho

**University of Illinois  
College of Law**

Champaign, Illinois

**Indiana University-Bloomington  
Maurer School of Law**

Bloomington, Indiana

**Indiana University–Indianapolis  
Robert H. McKinney School of Law**  
Indianapolis, Indiana

**Inter American University of Puerto Rico  
School of Law**  
San Juan, Puerto Rico

**University of Iowa  
College of Law**  
Iowa City, Iowa

**The John Marshall Law School**  
Chicago, Illinois

**Judge Advocate General’s Legal Center & School  
U.S. Army**  
Charlottesville, Virginia

**University of Kansas  
School of Law**  
Lawrence, Kansas

**University of Kentucky  
College of Law**  
Lexington, Kentucky

**\*University of La Verne  
College of Law**  
Ontario, California

**Lewis & Clark Law School**  
Portland, Oregon

**Liberty University  
School of Law**  
Lynchburg, Virginia

**\*Lincoln Memorial University  
Duncan School of Law**  
Knoxville, Tennessee

**Louisiana State University  
Paul M. Hebert Law Center**  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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Louis D. Brandeis School of Law**  
Louisville, Kentucky

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Chicago, Illinois

**Loyola University–New Orleans  
College of Law**  
New Orleans, Louisiana

**University of Maine  
School of Law**  
Portland, Maine

**Marquette University  
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Francis King Carey School of Law**  
Baltimore, Maryland

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School of Law–Dartmouth**  
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**University of Memphis  
Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law**  
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School of Law**  
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Law School**  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

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**University of Minnesota  
Law School**  
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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## **University of Mississippi School of Law**

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## **Mississippi College School of Law**

Jackson, Mississippi

## **University of Missouri School of Law**

Columbia, Missouri

## **University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law**

Kansas City, Missouri

## **University of Montana School of Law**

Missoula, Montana

## **University of Nebraska College of Law**

Lincoln, Nebraska

## **University of Nevada-Las Vegas William S. Boyd School of Law**

Las Vegas, Nevada

## **New England Law | Boston**

Boston, Massachusetts

## **University of New Hampshire School of Law**

Concord, New Hampshire

## **The University of New Mexico School of Law**

Albuquerque, New Mexico

## **New York Law School**

New York, New York

## **New York University School of Law**

New York, New York

## **University of North Carolina School of Law**

Chapel Hill, North Carolina

## **North Carolina Central University School of Law**

Durham, North Carolina

## **University of North Dakota School of Law**

Grand Forks, North Dakota

## **Northeastern University School of Law**

Boston, Massachusetts

## **Northern Illinois University College of Law**

DeKalb, Illinois

## **Northern Kentucky University Salmon P. Chase College of Law**

Highland Heights, Kentucky

## **Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law**

Chicago, Illinois

## **Notre Dame Law School**

Notre Dame, Indiana

## **Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center**

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

## **Ohio Northern University Claude W. Pettit College of Law**

Ada, Ohio

## **The Ohio State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law**

Columbus, Ohio

## **University of Oklahoma College of Law**

Norman, Oklahoma

## **Oklahoma City University School of Law**

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

## **University of Oregon School of Law**

Eugene, Oregon



**Pace University School of Law**

White Plains, New York

**University of the Pacific  
McGeorge School of Law**

Sacramento, California

**Penn State University-Dickinson Law**

Carlisle, Pennsylvania

**Penn State University-Penn State Law**

University Park, Pennsylvania

**University of Pennsylvania  
Law School**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**Pepperdine University  
School of Law**

Malibu, California

**University of Pittsburgh  
School of Law**

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

**Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico  
Faculty of Law**

Ponce, Puerto Rico

**University of Puerto Rico  
School of Law**

San Juan, Puerto Rico

**Quinnipiac University  
School of Law**

Hamden, Connecticut

**Regent University  
School of Law**

Virginia Beach, Virginia

**University of Richmond  
T.C. Williams School of Law**

Richmond, Virginia

**Roger Williams University  
School of Law**

Bristol, Rhode Island

**Rutgers University  
School of Law**

Camden/Newark, New Jersey

**St. John's University  
School of Law**

Jamaica, New York

**Saint Louis University  
School of Law**

St. Louis, Missouri

**St. Mary's University  
School of Law**

San Antonio, Texas

**University of St. Thomas  
School of Law**

Minneapolis, Minnesota

**St. Thomas University  
School of Law**

Miami Gardens, Florida

**Samford University  
Cumberland School of Law**

Birmingham, Alabama

**University of San Diego  
School of Law**

San Diego, California

**University of San Francisco  
School of Law**

San Francisco, California

**Santa Clara University  
School of Law**

Santa Clara, California

**Seattle University  
School of Law**

Seattle, Washington

**Seton Hall University  
School of Law**

Newark, New Jersey

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## **University of South Carolina School of Law**

Columbia, South Carolina

## **University of South Dakota School of Law**

Vermillion, South Dakota

## **South Texas College of Law**

Houston, Texas

## **University of Southern California Gould School of Law**

Los Angeles, California

## **Southern Illinois University School of Law**

Carbondale, Illinois

## **Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law**

Dallas, Texas

## **Southern University Law Center**

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## **Southwestern Law School**

Los Angeles, California

## **Stanford University Law School**

Stanford, California

## **Stetson University College of Law**

Gulfport, Florida

## **Suffolk University Law School**

Boston, Massachusetts

## **Syracuse University College of Law**

Syracuse, New York

## **Temple University James E. Beasley School of Law**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

## **University of Tennessee College of Law**

Knoxville, Tennessee

## **University of Texas School of Law**

Austin, Texas

## **Texas A&M University School of Law**

Fort Worth, Texas

## **Texas Southern University Thurgood Marshall School of Law**

Houston, Texas

## **Texas Tech University School of Law**

Lubbock, Texas

## **Thomas Jefferson School of Law**

San Diego, California

## **University of Toledo College of Law**

Toledo, Ohio

## **Touro College Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center**

Central Islip, New York

## **Tulane University Law School**

New Orleans, Louisiana

## **University of Tulsa College of Law**

Tulsa, Oklahoma

## **University of Utah S.J. Quinney College of Law**

Salt Lake City, Utah

## **Valparaiso University School of Law**

Valparaiso, Indiana

## **Vanderbilt University Law School**

Nashville, Tennessee

**Vermont Law School**

South Royalton, Vermont

**Villanova University  
School of Law**

Villanova, Pennsylvania

**University of Virginia  
School of Law**

Charlottesville, Virginia

**Wake Forest University  
School of Law**

Winston-Salem, North Carolina

**Washburn University  
School of Law**

Topeka, Kansas

**University of Washington  
School of Law**

Seattle, Washington

**Washington and Lee University  
School of Law**

Lexington, Virginia

**Washington University  
School of Law**

St. Louis, Missouri

**Wayne State University  
Law School**

Detroit, Michigan

**West Virginia University  
College of Law**

Morgantown, West Virginia

**Western Michigan University  
Thomas M. Cooley Law School**

Lansing, Michigan

**Western New England University  
School of Law**

Springfield, Massachusetts

**Western State College of Law  
at Argosy University**

Fullerton, California

**Whittier Law School**

Costa Mesa, California

**Widener University  
Commonwealth Law School**

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

**Widener University  
Delaware Law School**

Wilmington, Delaware

**Willamette University  
College of Law**

Salem, Oregon

**College of William and Mary  
Marshall-Wythe Law School**

Williamsburg, Virginia

**William Mitchell College of Law**

St. Paul, Minnesota

**University of Wisconsin  
Law School**

Madison, Wisconsin

**University of Wyoming  
College of Law**

Laramie, Wyoming

**Yale Law School**

New Haven, Connecticut

**Yeshiva University  
Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law**

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