

Grateful for Your Support

This fall is a time of excitement and opportunity for our alma mater, a time to be proud that we are Washburn Lawyers! I want to start this note by thanking our outgoing members of the Washburn Law Alumni Association Board of Governors: **John Duma, '81, John Frieden, '67, Jack Focht, '60, John Hamilton, '65, Ken Morse, '80, and Sue Jean White, '80.** To each, your time on the board was appreciated and your contributions will be felt for years to come. Thank you!

I would also like to take this time to thank Dean Thomas Romig for his dedicated leadership the last 11 years to the School of Law. His service to the Law School has resulted in high national rankings increasing the reputation of the school, and it's been an honor to work with him. I know Washburn University is dedicated to finding an exceptional leader for the next generation of students.

We are excited to welcome the new board members for 2017, highlighted in blue on the sidebar. Our new members will be joining a talented and dedicated team of Washburn Law alumni who comprise our board.

Our most important initiative is to support the fundraising efforts to construct a new law school building. We remain grateful for the strong support expressed by the Washburn Board of Regents and the Board of Governors for the new building on campus. The nature of legal education has changed over the years, and the nearly 50-year old law school building needs to be updated to better serve our students. It is our mission to secure the financial support necessary for a new building that will help attract the very best faculty and students, while cementing Washburn's place as a leading law school in the Midwest.

The Board is also proud to have helped realize a \$400,000 grant from the Dane G. Hansen Foundation in support of our fellow alumni practicing law in the rural areas of Kansas. Washburn alumni in Hays, Norton, Wakeeney, and eight other rural communities — shared their experience and expertise with our current students while having an opportunity to see if these young lawyers are a good fit for rural practice. You can read more about this program on page 25.

Washburn Law brings together the brightest and most committed student community possible, and we could not do this without you. Generous contributions from alumni and friends make it possible for the School of Law to award more than \$2.2 million annually in scholarships, with more than 60 percent of the student body receiving some form of support. We thank you for helping these students make their mark on Washburn Law and the legal community.

I look forward to the year ahead and encourage all alumni to stay connected to Washburn Law through membership, supported programs, and events. Thank you for your generous support.

Sincerely,



Jim Slattery, '75
Chair, Washburn University School of Law
Alumni Association Board of Governors



The Washburn University School of Law Alumni Association Board of Governors was first created in 1952. Our mission is to promote the interests of the Law School by engaging our alumni through service to the Law School and the Association, participating in alumni events and programs, remaining connected, and assisting to further scholarship funding. Appointments run July through June.

2017-2018 Board of Governors

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**Names in blue indicate new members*