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LL.M. Class of 2004

Mr. Angelo Bagnarosa

Paris, France

Mr. Bagnarosa is a French attorney working in the Corporate Law Department of Jones Day in Paris. He earned a dual degree in French and Italian law at the University of Paris X, where he also received his Licence De Droit and his Maitrise De Droit Des Affaires. Angelo plans to take the New York bar exam after graduation.

Ms. Maria Paulina Castro

Mexico City, Mexico

Ms. Castro is an attorney with the law firm of Von Wobeser Y Sierra in Mexico City, specializing in corporate law and contracts. She received her law degree from Universidad Iberoamericana. She is married to Manuel Moctezuma, also a member of this year's LL.M class.

Mr. Young-Soo Chang

Seoul, Korea

Mr. Chang is Manager of Legal Affairs for the Electronics Securities Team of the Korean Securities Depository. His Bachelor of Law degree was earned at Korea University. He has published a thesis on Electronic Securities. He will take the New York bar exam upon graduation.



Lachina Dovodova and Theeraporn Akaraskul,
LL.M. class of 2002



Anne Fritzler, Pascal Kremp, and Wiebke Holzapfel,
class of 2003

Mr. Bing Chen

Haikou, China

Mr. Chen has served as a judge in the Haikou Maritime Court of China for nearly ten years and is a Ford Foundation Fellow. He is a member of the Chinese Judges' Association, and is currently researching and writing new trial management rules for the Chinese court system. He earned a Bachelor of Law degree in International Law from East China University of Politics and Law in Shanghai. He has published a book and articles on maritime litigation in China.

Mr. Jin Seak Doh

Seoul, Korea

Mr. Doh is an attorney with the law firm of Kim, Chang & Lee in Seoul, Korea, the oldest law firm in Korea. He is a securities lawyer and represents foreign clients in connection with the acquisition of stocks and foreign investments. He is a member of the Korea Bar Association and is a graduate of the Judicial Research Institute of the Supreme Court of

Korea. Mr. Doh earned his LL.B. degree from Yonsei University. He will take the New York bar exam after graduation.



This year, in November, the LL.M. students gathered at Professor Gilreath's country home for a traditional Thanksgiving celebration.

Mr. Hiroshi Kishimoto
Chiba, Japan

Mr. Kishimoto has been an attorney with Sumitomo-Chemical Company, one of the top ten chemical companies in the world, for nine years. He earned his Bachelor of Laws degree from Osaka University. Mr. Kishimoto's particular interest is in U.S. Debtor/Creditor law.

Mr. Youngjo Lim
Anyang, Korea

Mr. Lim is Manager of the Legal and IP Law Department of Samsung Electronics, one of the world's largest electronics manufacturers, where he has been an attorney since 1990. He is also responsible for managing the litigation staff at Samsung and directing all U.S. and foreign litigation attorneys. Mr. Lim received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Yonsei University and served as a soldier of the Korean Augmentation Troops to the U.S. Army.

Mr. Manuel Moctezuma
Mexico City, Mexico

Mr. Moctezuma is an associate with Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle in Mexico City. His law practice is comprised of international business transactions. He is a licensed member of the Mexican Bar Association.

He is married to Paulina Castro, another member of our current LL.M. class.

Mr. Sean Moree
Nassau, Bahamas

Mr. Moree earned his LL.B. degree in law from the University of Nottingham in England and became a member of the Bar Association in England on July 29, 2003. He is also a member of the Bar of the Bahamas. He has interned with McKinney, Bancroft & Hughes and the SG Hambros Bank and Trust in Nassau.

Mr. Sung Jae Park
Seoul, Korea

Mr. Park is a Public Prosecutor for the Seongnam District Public Prosecutor's Office for the Ministry of Justice of Korea. His primary responsibility is prosecuting white collar crimes committed in the business sector. He is a member of the Bar Association of Korea and graduated from the Judicial Research and Training Institute of the Supreme Court of Korea. He is also trained and licensed as a CPA and worked as a CPA in the multinational accounting firm of KPMG. His undergraduate degree is from Yonsei University. He served his required military service as a Korean soldier augmented to the United States Army. Mr. Park, who received the CALI Excellence in Criminal Procedure at Wake Forest, plans to pursue his S.J.D. degree.

Mr. Bruno Andrade Soares
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Mr. Soares is an attorney with the law firm of Villemor Trigueiro e Advogados Associados in Rio de Janeiro. He practices in the fields of commercial and business law, torts, and civil law. He is a member of the Brazilian Bar Association. He received his Bachelor of Laws degree from Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro Law School and completed a post-graduate course in Economic Law and Corporate Law from Fundacao Getulio Vargas. One of his long-term goals is to become a law professor in his country.



This year LL.M. students participated in the annual field trip to the Federal District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina, led by Prof. Montaquila.



The LL.M. students participated in a trip to the United States Supreme Court in Washington D.C. Here, Bing Chen, Hiroshi Kishimoto, and Satoshi Yoshikawa stand in front of a statue of Chief Justice Marshall in the Supreme Court building.

Mr. Satoshi Yoshikawa
Osaka, Japan

Mr. Yoshikawa is on the legal staff of Toyobo Company, a manufacturer of textiles, chemicals, and bio-medical materials. His chief responsibilities are drafting legal contracts, serving as a member of the products liability committee of the company, and serving as secretariat of the Compliance Committee. He earned an LL.B. degree from Kyoto University.

Ms. Rezarte Vukatana
Tirana, Albania

Ms. Vukatana is an attorney with the Albanian Securities Commission and a Ron Brown Foundation Fellow. She previously had two years of experience in collateral and insolvency law. She received her law degree from the University of Tirana and is engaged in drafting a securities legal framework for Albania and writing comparative law projects on the topic of developing securities and investment systems.

Mr. Ammar Jastaniah
Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Mr. Jastaniah is beginning the second year of a two-year sponsorship by the Saudi Arabian Government. He is an Assistant Instructor of Administrative Law and White Collar Criminal Law at the Institute of Public Administration in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Ammar was one of the three top graduates in his class at King Abdulaziz University in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

Alumni Updates

Tomoko Nakajima (Japan 03) is working at the

firm of Westerman, Hattori, Daniels and Adrian in Washington, D.C. Tomoko practices patent law. Before her graduation from Wake Forest, Tomoko was chosen to moderate a panel discussion of Asia-Pacific Rim issues at the annual meeting of the International Trademark Association in Amsterdam.

Dr. Jochen Zarembo's (Germany 02) LL.M. thesis, *International Electronic Transaction Contracts Between U.S. and EU Companies and Customers*, was published as a law review article by the Connecticut Journal of International Law, Spring 2003. Jochen is an associate with the law firm of Lehner Danekamp Mayer and Knorz in Dusseldorf, Germany, where he focuses on information technologies, telecommunications, corporate and international law.

Komei Takatsu (Japan 00) and his colleagues at the Legal Department of Nomura Securities published a Japanese translation of Securities Regulation in a Nutshell by Latner and Harzen. In true LL.M. fashion, Komei and his wife Masumi recently visited Europe. They plan on starting a family soon.

Zhen Feng "Katie" (China 02) was an intern in the US-China Business Council in Washington, D.C.

Aibek Ismailov (Kyrgyzstan 00) has been working with the Kyrgyzstan Land Reform Project.

Dr. Alexander Roth (Germany 01) received his Ph.D. in June 2003 from the University of Bern in Switzerland.

Poravich Makornwatana "Pat" (Thailand 00) married on August 3rd 2003. Pat was recently appointed to a Senior District Attorney position in the International Affairs Office of the Office of the Attorney General of Thailand.

Frederic Joly (France 00) works as in-house counsel for Boygues Telecom in Paris, France. Recently, he has been busy drafting a myriad of international contracts and negotiating the contract for the building of his company's new headquarters near the Arc De Triomphe.

Since leaving Wake Forest, **Ketti Kvartskhava** (Georgia 99) has worked as counsel to the Commercial Bank Absolute, as the Commercial Law Advisor to the USAID Caucasus, drafting a commercial law program for Georgia and actively participating in the reorganization of the Revenue

Service in Georgia, and most recently entered a private law practice. Ketti has also drafted a law on Micro Credit Organizations and participated in the drafting of the Georgia Tax Code. After teaching international private law at the Tbilisi State University, Ketti is preparing to receive the Candidate of Sciences degree.

Joo Young Park (Korea 2002), Deputy Director of the Fair Trade Commission of the Korean Government spent a year in a Judicial Observation Program with Judge Ben Tennille of the North Carolina Business Court.

After passing the New York Bar Exam, **Hyo ahn Sung** "John" (Korea 2001) practiced immigration law as an associate in a St. Petersburg, Florida firm. He then returned to Korea in 2002 to practice in the fields of international investment and corporate law. Most recently, he accepted a position as in-house counsel for Eland Ltd.

Ali Celik (Turkey 2001) and his family recently moved to Antalya, Turkey. Ali and his wife, Melek, who is also an attorney, recently established a law firm together, Celik-Karakum. Ali is also teaching law in the Mediterranean University Business School. He is considering pursuing a Ph.D. degree.

Pascal Kremp (Germany 03) is working with the prestigious firm, Coudert Brothers, in Frankfurt, Germany.

Isabel Gonzalez (Brazil 02) has returned to Brazil and is working for a large law firm there, where she has been entrusted with responsibility for one of their biggest clients.

Joy Whuang (China 02) spent a year in Washington, D.C. at the Asian Pacific American Legal Center. She is currently working in the aptly named Deacons law firm. Deacons is one of the largest law firms in Hong Kong. Joy works in their Guangzhou office.

Michael Hoffman (Germany 99) is working in the legal department of T-Mobile, the largest mobile services provider in Germany, in Bonn. He lives in Cologne.

Shin Yamazaki (Japan 01) is working in the Legal Department of Unisys Japan, Ltd., in Tokyo, Japan.

Anne Fritzler (Germany 03) is serving her two-year internship in Bremen.

Varda Gilo (Israel 03) is practicing law in Israel where she is a partner in her firm.

Theeraporn Akaraskul (Thailand 02) is working for Anurak Business Law Office in Bangkok.

Ryo Kawamura (Japan 99) and his wife Junko attended a party at North Carolina Governor Mike Easley's home. They were pleased to discover that the First Lady of North Carolina is also a Deacon.

Kiyoshi Magome (Japan 03) returned to Japan after taking the New York bar exam and is General Manager of the Legal Department of Beacon Information Technology, Inc.

Yoriko Sakai (Japan 02) is working for the legal department of UNISYS JAPAN LTD.

Isabelle Rebhann (France 02) is the proud mother of a beautiful baby boy, Timothee. She is in private practice in Paris, France.



Mr. and Mrs. Poravich Makornwatana

Faisal Al-Lazzam (Saudi Arabia 00) Faisal has recently corresponded that he has been appointed Manager of the Legal Dept. of the Company for Cooperative Insurance (NCCI) in the Middle East (the largest insurance company in the Gulf area) and that he and Maryam have celebrated the birth of their first child, Kallood.

Sunny Wu (China 01) is completing a Business degree here at Wake Forest. She has served as President of the WFU Chinese Student Association. She joined members of this year's LL.M. class at Prof. Gilreath's home for Thanksgiving Dinner.

Wiebke Holzapfel (Germany 03) passed the New York Bar exam.

Aaron Oyarce (Peru 02) is teaching law at his alma mater, San Martin University.

Aziz Al-Bosaily (Saudi Arabia 98) has recently been appointed as manager of the Legal Department of the Saudi Arabia General Investment Authority.

Klemen Keferbock (Austria 01) has joined the firm of Binder Groesswang in Vienna.



Prof. Montaquila with members of the class of 2000.



Members of the Class of 2003.



The 2003 LL.M. Graduating Class.

A Message from Professors Montaquila and Gilreath

Greetings to our former students and international friends. Spring in Winston-Salem means that another eventful and fulfilling year in the LL.M. program is coming to a close. In a matter of weeks we will graduate our largest LL.M. class—14 students from France, Mexico, China, Korea, Japan, Bahamas, Brazil, Albania, and Saudi Arabia. Even now, we are preparing for the arrival of another equally large and diverse group to begin the 2004-2005 academic year.

We receive with tremendous enthusiasm the numerous calls, letters, post cards, and email messages from our LL.M. alumni, because we see the enormous professional and personal successes of our graduates. We relish our part in those successes and we hope that you will continue to stay in touch with us and your former classmates. The strength of our program is in large measure based upon the strong ties formed between professors and students but also on those between our graduates and their student colleagues. We want to express our appreciation to the many of you who have helped us recruit and screen promising applicants from your countries for the LL.M. program.

Please continue to let us hear from you. It is important that we stay in touch and maintain a strong alumni network.

Professors Gilreath and Montaquila
