# **Advancing Excellence**

# Common **Threads**

Endowed professorships speak to the special relationships that make up the fabric of the BC Law community.

BC Law's endowed chair holders, and the donors who established professorships at BC Law, intertwine across our community and across generations to create the rich tapestry of our Law School. An endowed chair is the highest recognition that the University can bestow on a faculty

member. Chair holders are fueled by the in-

vestment, and the distinction that their named chair represents, to produce groundbreaking scholarship. Donors, in turn, take pride in their investment in intellectual capital that propels both faculty and students in their pursuit of excellence. Professorships honor our unwavering mission to address societal issues and contribute to the common good.

# BC LAW PROFESSORSHIPS

# Robert F. Drinan, SJ, Professorship





Members Class of '58 in honor of Fr. Drinan CHAIRHOLDER George Brown

CLASS OF '58: Fr. Drinan propelled BC Law into the national spotlight, recruiting top students and faculty and launching several law reviews during his time as dean. In 1970, he became the first Catholic priest elected to Congress.

**BROWN**: Author of more than 40 law review articles, Brown is well known for his writings on the jurisdiction of federal courts and on public corruption, among other topics. "I have been inspired by Father Drinan's memory and the high standards he set that propelled BC Law forward."

#### William J. Kenealy, SJ, Professorship





LEAD DONOR John Boc '74 CHAIRHOLDER James R. Repetti '80

BOC: "The faculty are the true jewels in our crown. Professorships provide an incentive for our most impressive faculty to stay at BC Law throughout their career. I am glad that this chair has furthered the career of Professor Repetti, whose contributions to our students and tax law scholarship provide lasting benefits to so many."

REPETTI: The co-author of four books about tax law, Repetti is a consultant to the US Senate, IRS, and Justice Department. "This professorship has unquestionably transformed my career. I'm grateful for the investment made by the Class of '74 and particularly moved by the community spirit that underlies this chair."

## **Darald and Juliet** Libby Professorship



Darald Libby '55† CHAIRHOLDER Cathleen Kaveny

LIBBY: As children of the Great Depression, the Libbys understood the value of hard work. Darald ran the David Clark company, which outfitted astronauts, including John Glenn. When asked why they gave back, Juliet said. "God has been very good to us, and we feel that we have to share, to pass it on."

KAVENY: "The Libby Professorship has given me the time I need to delve deeply in my research. It has given me the resources to attend the national and international conferences and colloquia that spark new ideas. These ideas, in turn, feed into both my research and my teaching."

# **Liberty Mutual** Insurance Professorship





Liberty Mutual (photo: Chris Mansfield '75) CHAIRHOLDER Patricia McCoy

**MANSFIELD**: "Ted Kelly, CEO of Liberty Mutual and BC Trustee, and I recognized the importance of having an insurance expert at BC Law who could offer a balanced voice in public policy. The professorship, and the hard work of Professor McCoy. have positioned BC Law as a leader of scholarly discourse on insurance."

McCOY: "This chair has elevated BC Law to new prominence as a leading US law school in this field. In just three short years, it has become internationally known for cultivating new scholars and cutting-edge research in insurance law"

# **David and Pamela Donohue Assistant** Professorship



David Donohue '71 CHAIRHOLDER Natalya Shnitser

DONOHUE: "My legal education has allowed me to live a happy and rewarding life. I saw this endowment as a wonderful opportunity to thank BC Law, on a long term basis, for the value of a Jesuit education and the competency to pursue an entrepreneurial career."

SHNITSER: "The offer of this endowed chair signaled BC Law's extraordinary support for junior faculty. I was honored to accept the position after serving as an Associate Research Scholar in Law and the Executive Director of the Yale Law School Center for the Study of Corporate Law."

# Jerome Lyle Rappaport Visiting Professorship in Law and Public Policy





Geraldine Hines

THE RAPPAPORTS: "We are delighted that the chair permits BC Law to bring diverse perspectives on critical policy issues from individuals in government, the judiciary, and business who would not normally commit to a full-time academic career. The initial appointees have set a high standard and have clearly enriched the BC community."

HINES: "After 46 years as an advocate and jurist, I am delighted to share with students at BC Lawsome of whom will go on to shape policy both locally and nationally the lessons I have learned about the relationship between the law and just outcomes."

#### NEW PROFESSORSHIP



# The Short Family Sesquicentennial Assistant Professorship

#### MARIANNE D. SHORT:

"The faculty at BC Law helped to propel my career forward and set me up for success. When my husband Ray Skowyra and I thought about the best

way to give back, we decided to invest in the incredible faculty members whose research and teaching change the lives of so many students each year." A search will be conducted to fill the chair.

#### UNIVERSITY PROFESSORSHIPS

# **Founders Professorship**



CHAIRHOLDER Professor Mary Sarah Bilder

BILDER: "I've spent my entire career at BC Law and am honored by the vote of confidence of the University in my work and my contributions to the field." In 2016, legal historian Bilder received the prestigious Bancroft Prize for her book Madison's Hand: Revising the Constitutional Convention.

#### J. Donald Monan, SJ, **University Professorship**



CHAIRHOI DER Professor Daniel Coquillette

**COQUILLETTE**: "As a legal historian, I appreciate that my colleagues and I stand on the shoulders of giants. This professorship named for Fr. Monan expresses respect and gratitude to great leaders of our past while also empowering my research and writing. I am grateful for the ongoing reminder of Fr. Monan's inspiring legacy."

# BRINGING NEW VOICES TO CAMPUS

#### Richard G. Huber Visiting Professorship

A COMMUNITY OF DONORS: Established in 1985, this fund includes gifts made over the years by well over 100 donors to honor our former dean. The professorship was originally held by the Hon. Herbert P. Wilkins, former Chief Justice of the Mass. Supreme Judicial Court.

#### THE NUMBERS

10

ships at

BC Law

Endowed professor-

Courses taught this academic vear by BC Law chair-

20

holders

holders

Books and articles by current BC Law chair-

100 Professor-

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