Georgia Law enrolls academically talented and diverse first-year class

An academically gifted and diverse group of students began the three-year pursuit of a law degree at Georgia Law in August. The Class of 2008, comprised of 210 students, boasts a median Law School Admissions Test score of 163, which ties the school’s record high and reflects a score that places these students in the top 10 percent of test takers nationwide. The median undergraduate grade point average for these first-year students is 3.55. Moreover, the top quarter of the class scored a 164 or higher on the LSAT and achieved a 3.80 or better undergraduate GPA.

Nearly one-quarter (23.8%) of the entering class indicated they are members of a minority group, making this class one of the most diverse in law school history. Of the 50 minority students enrolled in the Class of 2008, 33 are African Americans.

“We are confident these newly enrolled students will excel in their studies and become future leaders in the legal profession regionally, nationally and internationally.”

- Director of Admissions Giles Kennedy

In this role, Spiro will work with faculty members, especially Georgia Law’s junior faculty, to advance their scholarly productivity, which will ultimately strengthen the law school’s academic reputation. He will also work closely with the law school’s communications office to heighten the awareness of faculty activities and accomplishments.

Specializing in international law, the constitutional aspects of U.S. foreign relations, and immigration and nationality law, Spiro joined the Georgia Law faculty in 2004 after serving in a similar teaching and administrative capacity at Hofstra University for 10 years.

Previously, he was a judicial clerk to Justice David H. Souter of the U.S. Supreme Court and Judge Stephen F. Williams of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.

He has served as director for democracy on the staff of the National Security Council (a White House position), as an attorney-adviser in the U.S. Department of State’s Office of the Legal Adviser and as a resident associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

In 2002, he was ranked among the top 20 legal scholars entering the field since 1992 on the basis of citation frequency.