

Faculty Research and Advisory Services

In addition to their expertise in basic fields of the law—constitutional, criminal, corporate, international and administrative law, property, taxation, and trusts and estates—Georgia's law faculty are specialists in the research and interpretation of particular subjects or problems in the law. Some of these include Georgia local government law, environmental law, estate and gift taxation, employment discrimination, collective bargaining, broadcast regulation, juvenile rights and partnership taxation.

Published Works

Faculty members are regularly solicited by law reviews throughout the country to write research articles for publication. Twenty-eight articles by twelve instructional faculty members appeared in law reviews of eight law schools last year.

In addition, ten articles were written by faculty members for bar journals in the areas of fiduciary law, legal education management, securities, evidence, criminal procedure, and international law.

Six faculty members are authors of legal textbooks. Professor Robert Leavell's casebook, **Cases and Materials on Equitable Remedies and Restitution**, co-authored with Professor Grant Nelson of the University of Missouri, was published by West Publishing Company in May, 1973.

Professor R. Perry Sentell, Jr., completed the revised second edition of his book, **Studies in Georgia Local Government Law** which is scheduled for publication by the Michie Publishing Company during 1973-74. Professor Sentell's **The Law of Municipal Tort Liability** is in its second revised edition and is scheduled for publication by the Institute of Government, University of Georgia.

Professor J. Ralph Beard, Associate Professor C. Ronald Ellington and Professor Emeritus Dr. Thomas F. Green co-authored **Cases and Materials on Georgia Practice** for publication in 1974.

Associate Professor Floyd Sherrod continued in his work as editor of the *Environmental Law Review*, a national publication.

Five faculty members are editors, along with representatives from Emory and Mercer Law Schools, of **Developments in Corporate, Banking, and Securities Law**, a publication of the Section of Corporate and Banking Law of the State Bar of Georgia. Assistant Professor Ira B. Shepard is chairman and Professors Robert Leavell, Paul Harbrecht, Charles Robson and Julian McDonnell are members of the editorial board.

Six book reviews for publication in 1972-73 bar journals and law reviews were written by law faculty members. Other periodicals in which faculty pieces were printed include trade magazines, municipal associations, and law enforcement newsletters.

A number of faculty speeches were chosen for publication in legal periodicals during the year.

Legislative and Judicial Writing

Much of the faculty research work is commissioned by legal education study groups, institutes, and legislative committees in addition to preparation for court proceedings.

Mr. Robert Kates, director of the Office of Special Studies, researched and drafted the Georgia Code of Public Transportation which was enacted into law by the 1973 Session of the Georgia General Assembly and codified as Title 95A of the Georgia Code Annotated.

Assistant Professor Julian McDonnell was named Reporter for the Georgia Bankers Association committee drafting the Proposed Georgia Financial Institutions Code. The project will be completed for submission to the 1974 Session of the Georgia Legislature.

Legal Aid Director Robert D. Peckham researched and prepared a line-by-line analysis of a proposed bail bond reform bill which was introduced into the 1973 Georgia General Assembly for the Criminal Justice Committee of the State Bar of Georgia.

In addition to assisting with the preparation of state legislative bills, faculty members were called on for research in questions of a national concern.

Professor Charles L. Saunders, Jr. prepared reports to the partnership Taxation Section of the American Bar Association on distributive shares for purpose of considering recommendations on amendments of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

Robert Peckham wrote two briefs for Appellant to the Georgia Court of Appeals and two briefs for Appellant to the Georgia Supreme Court.

In addition to works completed by faculty members in 1972-73, seventeen other research projects are scheduled for completion and publication during the winter and spring of 1974.

The law school faculty was active in a variety of public services, short courses, and advisory services both inside and outside the law school in 1972-73. Faculty activities ranged from those with international implications to work within the law school and Athens area.

On the international level, Associate Professor Wilner directed a program in Common Market Law in Brussels, attended the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law and served on the Subcommittee on International Arbitration of the American Arbitration Association. Professor Rusk attended the meeting of the Law of the Sea Advisory Committee and testified regarding the Law of the Sea before a Congressional subcommittee. He served as a panelist for the American Bar Association Section of International Law meeting and attended the meeting of the Board of Review and Development of the American Society of International Law.

Many of the faculty attended the annual meeting of the American Association of Law Schools in New York City. Professors Wilkes and Davis attended the Ninth Circuit Conference on the Proposed Rules of Evidence in Phoenix, Arizona. Dean Beard made presentations at two meetings held by the United States Department of Labor. He and Dr. Chaffin attended the annual meeting of the Council of the American Law Institute in Washington, D. C. Professor Davis participated in a conference sponsored by the President's Committee on Retardation held in Columbus, Ohio. Assistant Dean Ellington was appointed Chairman of the Subcommittee for the Bill of Rights for Prisoners for the American Bar Association Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities. Professor Harbrecht lectured to several groups and participated in the planning of the American Bar Association Center for Administrative Law Conference on "Mass Justice" held at the University of Virginia.

Legal Aid Director Peckham served as a member of the Defense Services Committee of the American Bar Association Criminal Law Section. Professor Player was attorney advisor to the United States Federal Labor Relations Council and attended a briefing conference on Occupational Health and Safety. Charles Robson attended the American Law Institute/American Bar Association Conference on Securities Law and a conference on problems of multinational enterprises sponsored by the same organizations. Dean Rusk addressed several national meetings including the national Jaycee convention and Women's National Democratic Club. Additionally he was active in a conference on National Security and Arms Control and testified before Congress regarding the subject. Professor Rusk gave presentations at more than 25 colleges and universities throughout the United States and Canada.

The faculty was involved in the legal process in a practical sense. Dr. Chaffin and Dean Beard served as arbitrators in several major labor disputes. Samuel Davis served as court-appointed counsel in **Preston v. United States** in the United States Supreme Court and **Farmer v. Caldwell** in the United States Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court. Ronald Ellington served as court-appointed counsel in **O'Conner v. United States** and **Ferguson v. Dutton** in the United States Court of Appeals and teamed with Professor Wilkes in **Walker v. Caldwell** in the same court. Assistant Professors Groot and McCormack served as court-appointed counsel in **Brooks v. United States** in the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit.

Faculty members were very active in regional state

and local conferences and committees. Many of the faculty attended the mid-year meeting of the Georgia Bar Association. Professor Beard served as program chairman of the 1972 meeting of the Southeastern Conference of the American Association of Law Schools. A number of faculty attended this conference at which Dr. Chaffin was re-elected Secretary-Treasurer of the association. Dean Beard addressed the Virginia Conference of Labor Lawyers on the "Impact of Recent Constitutional Law Decisions on National Labor Policy." He addressed many organizations around the state of Georgia and prepared several columns on legal subjects for the Athens newspapers. Assistant Professor Botein was active in area committees and addressed two radio-television associations. He also served as counsel for a television license renewal. Dr. Chaffin made several presentations around the state regarding estate planning and fiduciary law. He served as Chairman of the Law Revision Committee of the Fiduciary Section and Taxation Section of the Georgia Bar. Prosecutorial Director Cook continued his activities in the Criminal Law Section of the State Bar of Georgia. Assistant Professor Davis served as a panelist in a seminar, "The Legal Rights of the Mentally Retarded", presented three lectures to the Northeast Georgia Police Academy, and was active at the annual workshop for juvenile judges. Ronald Ellington continued as a member of the Georgia Bar Committee of Law Faculties and served as a guest columnist for the Athens newspapers. Assistant Professor Groot testified twice before the Georgia legislature on matters relating to zoning and property taxation. Assistant Professor McDonnell continued to work with financial institutions and completed a draft of the Georgia Financial Institutions Code.

Professor Peckham addressed the Criminal Law Section of the Mississippi State Bar. He served as Vice-Chairman of the Criminal Justice Committee of the Georgia State Bar. Professor Player participated in a conference on Public Employer Labor Relations in Boca Raton, Florida sponsored by the Southeastern American Assembly. Professor Saunders addressed the Southern Federal Tax Institute and Alabama Tax Conference on recent federal income tax developments. He prepared a proposed draft of a pooled income fund for the Georgia Alumni Foundation. Professor Sentell gave a speech to the Nineteenth Institute for City and County Attorneys

Faculty members participated in committee work within the law school and university. The faculty is active in the freshman orientation program, speaking at honor banquets, and advising law school organizations. Dr. Chaffin served on the University Committee on Standing Committees and Elections and within the law school chaired the Faculty Appointments Committee, Promotions and Tenure Committee, and Sibley Lecture Selection Committee. Samuel Davis served as Chairman of the Committee on Student Performance. Professor Leavell served as Chairman of the Library and Educational Program Committees. Professor Murray served on the University Curriculum Committee and as Chairman of the law school Admissions Committee. Charles Saunders acted as Chairman of the Faculty Recruiting Committee and Law School Dean's Search Committee. Professor Player and Sentell served on the University Council.