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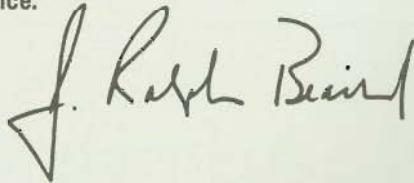


to the

President of the University of Georgia



On the whole 1972-1973 was a good year for the University of Georgia School of Law. Significantly, the School was not content to simply maintain the status quo during this decadal year. Instead the year was approached as an appropriate time for taking stock, weighing strengths and weaknesses, and then moving affirmatively toward a new plateau of excellence.



Developments 1972-73

A significant milestone was achieved in 1972-73 with the acquisition by the Law Library of its 200,000th volume. The Georgia library is now recognized as having one of the largest and most complete law reference collections in the country.

The potential capital for financial aid to law students increased by more than \$600,000 during 1972-73 with the addition of two foundation grants and substantial increases in the corpus amounts of previously established scholarship funds.

Efforts to attract law teachers with considerable experience and national reputation to this campus have been successful. For the first time since its establishment in 1964, the Robert Cotten Alston Chair has been filled. Also joining the faculty on a visiting basis are three senior distinguished professors who were recruited during 1972-73. In addition, two teachers who bring extensive government experience will become law faculty members this fall. In 1973-74 only one member of the faculty will have had no previous teaching experience as compared to two in 1972-73 and six in 1971-72.

The Law School anchored two community-wide keynote programs this year in addition to its hosting seven lecturers. The Law Day conference on East-West Trade, held in conjunction with two committees of the American Bar Association, brought to the campus seventeen outstanding speakers in the field of international law and trade relations. The law faculty led the program of the University of Georgia annual Alumni Seminar, "Civilization at the Dawn of the Twenty-First Century." The Honorable Arthur J. Goldberg was guest speaker for the seminar.

The student body continues to grow at a rapid pace. The fall, 1972 enrollment of 649 represents a dramatic increase over the 216 enrollment of 1964. There is a steady decrease in the rate of attrition. It is expected to drop to fifteen per cent in the near future. The academic achievement level of the student body is climbing. The fall, 1972 first year class entered the law school with an average undergraduate grade point of 3.14 and an average LSAT score of 614. Of the 39 December, 1972 graduates who took the Georgia Bar examination in February, 100 per cent were successful.