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At the regular meeting of the Trustees of the University in 1859, the board determined to reorganize the University, and in the plan that was then adopted it was determined to establish a law school "in which facilities for the best legal education would be afforded." In pursuance of this plan, on August 4, 1859, on motion of Governor Herschel V. Johnson, Joseph Henry Lumpkin (the first Chief Justice of Georgia), William Hope Hull, and Thomas R. R. Cobb were elected professors, and the law school opened in the autumn of that year. The law department of the University was conducted under the name of the Lumpkin Law School, and the graduates were awarded their diplomas by the trustees at the regular commencement.

In August, 1867, Benjamin H. Hill and William L. Mitchell were elected by the Board of Trustees to the two vacancies in the law department, and from that time forward the Law School has been conducted under the name of the law department of the University.

The enrollment of the school has increased 250% since 1925, and the enrollment for the present school year is 223, eighty more students than were enrolled in the year preceding. During that time the curriculum has been extended, the library has been built up. If the law school is run upon its present lines and accommodations are furnished, it would be reasonable to estimate that it will have some 275 students next September.

George F. Gober,
President of the Lumpkin Law School.