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CLE hours are estimates subject to state approval.
Sessions are for all conference attendees unless otherwise noted.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12

1:00–5:00 p.m. Optional afternoon activities
  1. 18-hole golf tournament
  2. 9-hole golf (various times between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.)
  3. Tours of Mesa Arizona Temple grounds
     and visitors’ center
  4. Camelback Mountain hike

Leadership meetings
  2:00–3:00 p.m. Chapter leadership training
  3:00–4:00 p.m. Membership drive
  4:00–5:00 p.m. Committee meetings
  4:00–5:00 p.m. SCB meeting
     (JRCLS leadership)

4:00 p.m. Registration begins

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**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12 (CONT’D)**

5:00–6:00 p.m. **Networking Survival Skills**
Great Hall, Armstrong Hall
Lew W. Cramer, President and CEO, Coldwell Banker Commercial Intermountain
Eileen Doyle Crane, University Prelaw Advisor, Utah Valley University
*(All students)*

6:00 p.m. **Alumni reception**
Rotunda, Armstrong Hall
Hosted by ASU Law

7:00 p.m. **Opening program**
East Chapel, LDS Institute
*A Judge’s Perspective on Justice, Mercy, and the Atonement (75 CLE)*
Honorable Judge David Campbell, U.S. District Court, Arizona

8:30–9:30 p.m. **Dessert bar and networking event**
Cultural Hall, LDS Institute

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13**

7:00–8:00 a.m. **Registration and continental breakfast**
Rotunda, Armstrong Hall

8:00 a.m. **Welcome and opening session**
Great Hall, Armstrong Hall
*A New American University*
Michael M. Crow, President, Arizona State University

9:00 a.m. **General session**
Great Hall, Armstrong Hall
*Religious Liberty 2015: Where Are We? (8 CLE)*
Elder Lance B. Wickman, General Counsel, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

10:00 a.m. **General Session**
Great Hall, Armstrong Hall
*A Watchman on the Tower: As an LDS Legal Professional, What Can I Do to Preserve and Promote Religious Freedom? (8 CLE)*
William F. Atkin, Associate General Counsel, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Von G. Keetch, Attorney, Kirton & McConkie
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13 (CONT'D)

11:00 a.m. General session

Great Hall, Armstrong Hall

Dean's panel: New Visions for Legal Education (.8 CLE)
Douglas Sylvester, Dean, Arizona State University College of Law
Shirley L. Mays, Dean, Arizona Summit Law School
Marc L. Miller, Dean, University of Arizona College of Law
James R. Rasband, Dean, Brigham Young University Law School

12:00 p.m. Lunch

West Chapel, LDS Institute

LDS Lawyers from the Frontier (.75 CLE)
Elder Steven E. Snow, Church Historian, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

1:30 p.m. General session

Great Hall, Armstrong Hall

Sarah (Sally) Barringer Gordon, Professor, University of Pennsylvania
Paul Bender, Professor, Arizona State University College of Law

2:30 p.m. General session

Great Hall, Armstrong Hall

A New Generation of Lawyers: Practice Challenges for Women, Men, and Families (.8 CLE)
Christine Burns, Managing Partner, BurnsBarton LLP
Christy Smith, Operations Counsel, Clear Channel Outdoor
Aubrey Stock, Associate Attorney, Norton Rose Fulbright
Gordon Wright, Trial Lawyer, Cooper & Scully

3:30 p.m. General session

Great Hall, Armstrong Hall

The Intersection of Law, Ethics, and Religion (.8 CLE)
Marianne M. Jennings, Professor Emeritus, Arizona State University School of Business

4:30 p.m. Breakout sessions

Room 105, Armstrong Hall

Sustainability: The New Developmental Model for Businesses and the Environment (.8 CLE)
Michael Wood, Assistant General Counsel (Environmental), Freeport-McMoRan Inc.
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Going Paperless: Practical, Ethical, and Real-World Considerations  Room 114, Armstrong Hall  
(8 CLE)  
Keith Hendricks, Trial Attorney, Moyes Sellers & Hendricks  
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5:30 p.m.  Women in the Law reception  Rotunda, Armstrong Hall  
(Women in the Law)  

7:15 p.m.  Dinner and speakers  Tempe Mission Palms Hotel  
Sheri L. Dew, Chief Executive Officer, Deseret Book 60 East 5th Street, Tempe, AZ 85281  
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9:00 p.m.  Live music and dancing  Tempe Mission Palms Hotel  
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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14  

7:30–9:00 a.m.  Continental breakfast  Rotunda, Armstrong Hall  

8:00 a.m.  Section meetings  Full schedule available at the registration table  

9:00 a.m.  General session  Great Hall, Armstrong Hall  
Are Judges Too Independent to Be Restrained? Balancing Judicial Independence with Judicial Accountability (8 CLE)  
Honorable Judge Jay S. Bybee, Ninth Circuit Court  
Honorable Justice Rebecca White Berch, Arizona Supreme Court  
Honorable Judge G. Murray Snow, U.S. District Court for Arizona  

10:00 a.m.  General session  Great Hall, Armstrong Hall  
You Helped Your Client Do What? How Lawyers Can Avoid Being Sued (8 CLE)  
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Unionization, Academic Standards, Long Term Injuries—Legal Challenges Facing Universities and Athletes (8 CLE)
Ray Anderson, Vice President of Athletics and Athletics Director, Arizona State University
Rodney Smith, Professor, Arizona State University College of Law
Danny White, Dallas Cowboys Quarterback and College Hall of Fame ASU Quarterback

12:00 p.m. Box lunches and area legal counsel presentations (5 CLE)
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Lew W. Cramer
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Lew Cramer serves as the president and CEO of Coldwell Banker Commercial Intermountain. He directed World Trade Center Utah from 2006 to 2013, and prior to that he spent many years in Washington, DC, working with U.S. West International developing major telecommunications projects in more than 30 countries. During the Reagan administration he served as a White House Fellow, a Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Trade. In the first Bush administration he was Director General of the U.S. Commercial Service. Cramer is an honors graduate of the charter class of Brigham Young University Law School and former international chair of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society.

Eileen Doyle Crane
University PreLaw Advisor, Utah Valley University

Eileen Crane has advised thousands of prelaw students from the United States and Canada during the last 24 years. A graduate of J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University, she advises and teaches at Utah Valley University. She served as the president of the Western Association of PreLaw Advisors for six years and as a chair of the Pre-Law Advisors National Council for two years. She has presented at national conferences on financial aid, career planning, and networking. Crane serves as the Vice-Chair of Leadership Training on the Chapter Relations Council in the J. Reuben Clark Law Society, along with six other dedicated team members.

Honorable Judge David Campbell
U.S. District Court, Arizona

David Campbell is a United States District Court Judge for the District of Arizona. Following his graduation from the University of Utah Law School, he served as a law clerk for Judge J. Clifford Wallace of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and Justice William H. Rehnquist of the Supreme Court of the United States. Judge Campbell worked as a commercial litigator for 20 years with the Phoenix law firm Osborn Maleden before joining the bench. He serves as the current chair of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, has served with the courts of Botswana, South Africa, and Namibia on judicial case management; and he has taught civil procedure and constitutional law at the Arizona State and Brigham Young University law schools. Judge Campbell and his wife, Stacey, have five children and eight grandchildren.

Michael M. Crow
President, Arizona State University

Michael Crow became president of Arizona State University on July 1, 2002. In this role he is developing ASU into a new model of higher education he calls “the new American university.” Under his leadership, ASU has established more than a dozen new interdisciplinary schools and large-scale research initiatives, has tripled research expenditures, and has completed an unprecedented infrastructure expansion. President Crow was previously executive vice provost of Columbia University, where he was also a professor of science and technology policy. He is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the National Academy of Public Administration and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the U.S. Department of Commerce National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship. President Crow received his JD from Brigham Young University in 1972.

Atkin received an LL.M from Columbia Law School in 1979, with a specialization in international and comparative law. He graduated magna cum laude with a JD from Arizona State University College of Law in 1975, where he served as editor-in-chief of the Arizona State Law Journal. He received his BA from Brigham Young University in 1972.

Atkin has been a member of the International Board of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society since 2000, serving as the international chair from 2001 to 2003. He was the recipient of the Franklin R. Reuben Pro Bono Community Service Award in 2010. He now serves as a member of the Executive Advisory Board of the BYU Law School’s International Center for Law and Religion Studies and was presented the center’s Distinguished Service Award in 2008.

Ronald W. Keetch
Attorney, Karson & McConbie

Ronald W. Keetch is an attorney in the law firm Karson & McConbie in Salt Lake City where he serves as Chief Outside Counsel to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. His practice focuses on representing and advising the Church on issues of religious liberty, complex litigation, and First Amendment law. In one context another he has represented virtually every mainline religion in America, as well as numerous small churches and other nonprofit organizations.

Keetch graduated first in his class from J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University in 1987. Thereafter he practiced with the law firm Sidley Austin in Washington, DC. He served as a law clerk to Judge George C. Pratt on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York and then as a law clerk to Chief Justice Warren E. Burger and Justice Antonin Scalia on the United States Supreme Court.

He has served as chair of the Utah Appellate Nominating Commission, the statutory body that evaluates and sends names to the governor for appointment to the appellate bench. He has served as a delegate to the Coalition on the First Exercise of Religion and has testified before Congress on several occasions on matters respecting religious liberty. He is a member of the American Law Institute, in which he is actively involved in the development of Restatements of the Law touching upon First Amendment issues. For several years he has been selected by his peers as one of the Best Lawyers in America. In 2013 he was honored by Best Lawyers as the Best First Amendment Lawyer in Utah.

In April 2009 Keetch was called as a member of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He and his wife live in Highland, Utah. They have six children and five grandchildren.

Douglas Sylvester
Dean, Arizona State University College of Law

Douglas Sylvester was named dean of the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University in March 2012. Previously he served as interim dean of the college and was Associate Dean for Faculty Research and Development. As a professor he taught intellectual property law, technology policy, internet law, emerging technologies, and privacy. In 2006 he taught Nanotechnology and the Law—the first time such a course was offered in the country by a full-time law faculty member. Dean Sylvester represented Special Consultant to a National Academy of Sciences panel charged with reforming the U.S. Census. He was the founding faculty director of the innovative Technology Ventures Clinic, which introduces students to transactional legal issues in high-technology sectors. Prior to joining the ASU college of law faculty, Dean Sylvester was a Bigelow Fellow and Lecturer-in-Law at the University of Chicago and an attorney in the Global e-Commerce Practice Group at Baker & McKenzie in Chicago.
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James R. Rasband
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James Rasband became dean of J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University on June 15, 2009. He served as Associate Academic Vice President for Faculty at the university and Associate Dean for Research and Academic Affairs prior to his appointment. Dean Rasband’s primary areas of expertise include public lands law, water law, wilderness and grazing law, and international environmental law. Prior to joining the law faculty, he clerked for Judge J. Clifford Vitanza, Chief Judge for the Ninth Circuit and practiced law at Perkins Coie.

Elder Steven E. Snow
Chairman, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Elder Steven E. Snow was called to serve as a member of the First Quorum of the Seventy of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in March 2001. He currently serves as Church Historian and Recorder and is the executive director of the Church History Department. Elder Snow previously served as a member of the Presidency of the Seventy from 2007 to 2012 and was responsible for the Utah Areas as well as the North America Central Area. He also served as the executive director of the Priesthood Department and as president of the Africa Southeast Area of the Church.

Prior to his call as a full-time General Authority, Elder Snow was a senior partner in the Utah law firm of J. Clifford Vitanza, Chief Judge for the Ninth Circuit and practiced law at Perkins Coie. He has been actively involved in the support of education, having served as a member and president of his local school board, as chair of the Utah State Board of Regents, and chair of the Utah State Commission of Higher Education.

The St. George, Utah, native attended Dixie College and earned his bachelor’s degree in accounting at Utah State University and his law degree at Brigham Young University.

Sarah (Sally) Barringer Gordon
Professor, University of Pennsylvania

Sally Gordon, Arlin M. Adams Professor of Constitutional Law and professor of history at the University of Pennsylvania, teaches in the areas of church and state, property, and legal history in the law school and American religious and constitutional history in the history department. She is the author of The Mormon Question: Polygamy and Constitutional Conflict in Nineteenth-Century America (University of North Carolina Press, 2002) and The Spirit of the Law: Religious Voices and the Constitution in Modern America (Harvard University Press, 2010). She is also the author of “The First Disestablishment: Limits on Church Power and Property before the Civil War” (University of Pennsylvania Law Review, 2014). This article is part of a larger project on the law of religion from the Revolution to the post–Civil War era titled Freedom and the Law: Disestablishment in America, 1776–1876, which is currently under consideration at a scholarly press. Gordon is particularly interested in the legal history of religion and religious peoples in American colonial and national history with a special focus on the relationship of politics and law to belief and practice in American life.

Paul Bender
Professor, Arizona State University College of Law

Paul Bender has written extensively about constitutional law, intellectual property, and Indian law and is coauthor of the two-volume casebook/treatise Political and Civil Rights in the United States. He has argued more than 20 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court and actively participates in constitutional litigation in federal and state courts.

Bender served as dean of the Arizona State University College of Law from 1984 to 1996, during which time he was instrumental in starting its Indian Legal Program. Prior to joining the college faculty, he was law clerk to Second U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Learned Hand and to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter. He also spent 24 years as a faculty member at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Bender served as Principal Deputy Solicitor General of the United States from 1993 to 1997, with responsibility for Supreme Court and federal appellate litigation in the areas of civil rights, race and sex discrimination, freedom of speech and religion, and tort claims against the federal government. He has served as a member of the Hopi Tribe’s court of appeals and is currently Chief Justice of the Fort McDowell Yaqui Nation Supreme Court and the San Carlos Apache Court of Appeals.

Christine Burns
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Christine Burns is the managing partner of BurnsBarton LLP, a firm she started with her partners after practicing for more than 16 years as an associate and partner at Quarles & Brady LLP. Her practice includes a broad spectrum of litigation, ranging from obtaining and defending employment solutions and on defending employees from civil rights, wrongful discharge, and class-action litigation. Burns has tried a wide variety of cases before state and federal courts and has significant appellate court experience. Burns is a member of the board of visitors of the University of Arizona College of Law and is also on the board of directors of Scottsdale Soccer. She earned a JD, magna cum laude, Order of the Coif, from the University of Arizona and an undergraduate degree from Queen’s University.

Christy Smith
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Christy Smith is Operations Counsel for Clear Channel Outdoor, one of the world’s largest advertising companies. She graduated from J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University in 2000 and practiced law in Phoenix with Squire, Sanders & Dempsey and Gallagher & Kennedy in the areas of real estate transactions and governmental affairs. She then served as Assistant General Counsel at SunCor Development prior to accepting an appointment as Deputy General Counsel to Governor Jan Brewer in 2010. She also served as chair of the Governor’s Regulatory Review Council and as General Counsel for the Arizona Department of Administration. She and her husband recently served for three years as chakkels for non-profit hotels, helping individuals obtain a college education through the new LDS Pathway program. She is a mother of two third graders and currently serves as Gospel Doctrine instructor at her church.

Aubrey Stock
Associate Attorney, Norton Rose Fullbright

Aubrey Stock is an associate attorney in the Houston office of Norton Rose Fullbright. She has practiced in the firm’s appellate practice group since joining the firm in September 2013 and has assisted with the development of global antitrust compliance policies, procedures, and presentations for international clients. She has also worked extensively with complicated discovery and data privacy issues with complex antitrust litigation post-government investigation. While at Brigham Young University, Stock served as a writing teacher’s assistant and senior editor for the BYU Law Review. She also served as an intern for the Honorable Daniel A. Barker on the Arizona Court of Appeals Division One.

Gordon Wright
Trial Lawyer, Cooper & Sally

Gordon Wright focuses his practice on the preparation and trial of complex lawsuits. In more than 20 years of practice he has tried cases relating to business disputes, personal injuries, medical negligence, birth trauma, wrongful death, and business and professional malpractice. He is licensed in Texas, California, Oregon, and Utah. In recent trials Wright has successfully obtained verdicts in favor of his clients, protecting them from paying alleged damages amounting to millions of dollars, vindicating their professional competence. Though most of his professional endeavor is in the trial of lawsuits, he has successfully represented clients in appellate cases and has consulted on nonlitigation matters ranging from obtaining and defending trademarks to advising clergy on the protection of children when abuse is alleged. Wright holds a JD from Stanford Law School and an undergraduate degree from Brigham Young University.

Marianne M. Jennings
Professor Emeritus, Arizona State University School of Business

Marianne Jennings is an emeritus professor of legal and ethical studies in business. She served in the Department of Management at Arizona State University’s W.P. Carey School of Business. She teaches MBA courses on business ethics and the legal environment of business. She earned her BS in finance and her JD from Brigham Young University. Jennings has done consulting work for numerous law firms, businesses, and professional groups, including AES, Boeing, Daim Corporation, Mattel, Motorola; the CFA Institute; Southern California Edison; the Arizona Auditor General; the cities of Phoenix, Mesa, and Tucson; the Institute of Internal Auditors; Coca-Cola; DuPont; Blue Cross Blue Shield; PepsiCo; Hi-Yee Foods; IBM, Bell Helicopter; Amgen; Raytheon; and Viad. She has authored hundreds of articles in academic, professional, and trade journals and has conducted more than 300 workshops and seminars on business, personal, government, professional ethics, legal, and academic topics. A member of 15 professional organizations, including the State Bar of Arizona, Jennings has served on four boards of directors, including for Arizona Public Service (now Pinnacle West Capital) (1987–2000), Zions National Corporation, and the CNA Foundation. She served as a post-government investigator. While at Arizona Public Service Company from 1989 to 1997, she was a weekly commentator on CNBC’s “Economic Update.” She was appointed to the board of advisors for the Institute of Nuclear Power Operators in 2004. Jennings has appeared on CNBC, CBS This Morning, the Today Show, and CBS Evening News. She is married to Terry H. Jennings and has five children: Sarah, Sam, and John, and the late Claire and Hannah.

Michael Wood
Assistant General Counsel (Environmental), Freport-McMoran Inc.

Michael Wood graduated from Brigham Young University with both a BS and an MBA in 1976. He graduated from J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University in 1984. He then worked for the law firm Evans, Kitchel &енноes from 1984 to 1989 and the Arizona Public Service Company from 1989 to 2000. He has worked at Phelps Dodge/Freport-McMoran since 2000 and is currently Assistant General Counsel. Wood’s practice includes all aspects of environmental law. He and his wife, Marilyn, reside in Tempe, Arizona.

Troy A. Rule
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Troy Rule is the Faculty Director of the Program on Law and Sustainability at the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. He teaches property, secured transactions, and energy law and policy. Rule graduated from the University of Chicago Law School in 2005, where he served on the Chicago Journal of International Law and was a John M. Olin Student Fellow in Law and Economics.

Prior to entering academia, Rule was an attorney at K&L Gates LLP in Seattle; his practice focused primarily on commercial real estate transactions and wind energy development. His current research focuses mainly on emerging property law issues involving wind energy, solar energy, domestic drones, and other technologies. Rule is the author of Solar, Wind and Land: Conflicts in Renewable Energy Development ( Routledge-Earthscan, 2014). He was awarded the University of Missouri- Kansas City Professional Council’s Gold Chalk Award for Excellence in Teaching in 2010.

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Jennifer Gi
Chief Legal Officer, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Jennifer Gi is a member of the Gila River Indian Community. In 2011 she joined the ASU College of Law faculty and sits as a judge for other tribes.

Larson graduated from the University of Chicago Law School and received his master of science in water science, policy, and management from Oxford University, where he was a Woodrow Wilson Scholar. Larson’s recent research focuses on the impact of technological innovation on the law governing transboundary waters as well as on the sustainability implications of a human right to water. His past research has dealt with corporate governance reform in South Africa, the legislative process for negotiation-compliant water agreements in the Mekong River basin, and the impact of a restricting covenant litigation. Larson is a member of the Gila River Indian Community, providing in-house legal counsel and advice for the community’s Maricopa Indian Community, providing in-house legal counsel and advice for the community’s Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Keith Hendricks
Trial Attorney, Moyes Sellers & Hendricks
Keith Hendricks is a trial attorney with more than 25 years of experience representing business and individuals in commercial disputes. His practice focuses on real estate and business litigation. He also has significant experience in bankruptcy litigation, water law disputes, federal, and constitutional law. He is currently named partner with Moyes Sellers & Hendricks. Hendricks is a former Maricopa County Superior Court Judge Pro Tem and is currently a member of the Arizona State Bar Ethics Committee. Hendricks has made numerous presentations to a variety of lawyer, real estate, and business groups. He has been taking the Rob Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University in 1989.

Maren Tobler
Lead Litigation Attorney and Co-owner, Tobler Law PC
Maren Tobler Hendricks is lead litigation attorney and co-owner of Tobler Law PC, a boutique law firm located in Mesa and specializing in all areas of personal injury and medical malpractice law. She graduated from Stanford University with a degree in economics and subsequently received her JD and MBA from Brigham Young University.

Hendricks previously served as chair of the Personal Injury and Negligence Section of the Maricopa County Bar Association and is currently on the board of governors for the American Association for Justice. A self-described gadget geek, she has spoken on “techy” subjects, such as leveraging the iPad for note taking in a law practice. Her most rewarding digital accomplishment has been moving her law firm from a paper-based, gaining productivity through document management software and a clean desk.

Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar.

Larson graduated from the University of Michigan in 1988 and subsequently received her JD and medical malpractice law. She graduated from the University of Michigan in 1988 and subsequently received her JD and medical malpractice law. She graduated magna cum laude from Brigham Young University and earned his JD cum laude from BYU’s J. Reuben Clark School, where he was on the editorial board of the BYU Law Review. From 1991 to 1999 Judge Bybee served on the faculty of the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University. In 2000 he rejoined the faculty of the William S. Boyd School of Law. At both USU and UNLV he taught constitutional law, administrative law, and civil procedure.

Justice Bybee was appointed by President George W. Bush as Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel at the U.S. Department of Justice, a position he held from 2001 to 2005. In 2002 President Bush nominated him to be a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Judge Bybee was confirmed by the Senate and appointed by the president in 2003.

Justice Rebecca White Berch
Arizona Supreme Court
Justice Rebecca Berch was appointed to the Arizona Supreme Court in 2002 and remains on the Court as Associate Justice. She served as the Court’s 23rd Chief Justice from 2009 to 2014. Before her appointment she served as a Court of Appeals Judge, Solicitor General of the State of Arizona, First Assistant (Chief Deputy) Attorney General, ASU College of Law faculty member, and attorney in private practice. Following her appointment from law school, Justice Berch practiced law in Phoenix from 1979 to 1988 and then joined the faculty at the Arizona State University College of Law. During her years at the law school she earned a master’s in English. She has authored more than a dozen law review articles, two books, two chapters for books, many newspaper and magazine articles, and, of course, many opinions.

An active participant in the legal and social communities, Justice Berch has served on the board of governors of the United States Conference of Federal Judges, the board of trustees of the National Conference of Bar Examiners, the council of the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admission to the Bar, and the board of advisors of The Great Women and Reader, among other boards, committees, and commissions. She is currently chair-elect of the ABA Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar. She maintains several other service positions and speaks regularly on law-related topics to students, civic groups, and legal organizations. Justice Berch participates in and strongly encourages all lawyers to engage in pro bono work. The Pro Bono Suite at ASU’s Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law is named in her honor.

Honorable Judge G. Murray Snow
U.S. District Court for Arizona
Judge Murray Snow is a District Judge for the United States District Court for the District of Arizona. He was appointed to the legal career as a law clerk for Judge Stephen H. Anderson of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit from 1987 to 1988. He was then in private practice in Phoenix from 1988 to 2002 and was a judge on the Arizona Court of Appeals from 2002 to 2008. Judge Snow was nominated by President George W. Bush on December 11, 2007, to a seat vacated by Stephen M. MacNamee. He was confirmed by the United States Senate on June 26, 2008, and received his commission on July 23, 2008.

Judge Snow was born in Boulder City, Nevada. He received a BA from Brigham Young University in 1984 and a JD from BYU’s J. Reuben Clark Law School in 1987.

Leo Beus
Founder Partner, Beus Gilbert
Leo Beus is a founding partner of the Phoenix law firm Beus Gilbert, where he practices complex litigation and has been involved in all the largest and highest-profile cases. He recently represented Brigham Young University against pharmaceutical company Pfizer Inc. The suit resulted in a $450 million settlement over whether the school had been shorted on royalties for helping develop the drug Celebrex. Beus’s representation has resulted in settlements and verdicts in excess of $1 billion. His articles have been published by the ABA, the Business Journal, and the New York Law Journal. Beus graduated with a BA, magna cum laude, from Brigham Young University and a JD, cum laude, from the University of Michigan.

Honorable Justice Thomas A. Zlatker
Arizona Supreme Court (retired)
Justice Thomas Zlatker is a private practitioner in Tucson, Arizona. He completed his undergraduate work at the University of Notre Dame in 1961 and graduated from the University of Arizona College of Law in 1969. He holds an LLM from the University of Virginia. Justice Zlatker is admitted to practice law in Arizona and California.
A former president of the State Bar of Arizona, Justice Zlaket was sworn in as a justice of the Arizona Supreme Court in 1992. He served as the court’s chief justice from 1997 to 2002. Among the awards conferred upon him during his time on the bench were the American Judges Association’s 2000 Chief Justice Richard W. Holmes Award of Merit, the State Bar of Arizona’s 2001 James A. Walsh Outstanding Jurist Award, and the National Center for State Courts 2001 Paul C. Reardon Award.

Justice Zlaket is a founding fellow of the Arizona Bar Foundation and a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. He was on the faculty of the Arizona College of Trial Advocacy for many years. He has also taught at the Hastings College of Trial Advocacy and the National Institute of Trial Advocacy. He presently serves as an adjunct associate professor at the University of Arizona James E. Rogers College of Law. Justice Zlaket has been a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers for more than 32 years.

Ray Anderson

Ray Anderson was named Arizona State University’s Vice President for University Athletics and Athletics Director on January 9, 2014. Prior to ASU, he had served as executive vice president of football operations for the National Football League since August 2006 and as the executive vice president and chief administrative officer of the Atlanta Falcons for four years. He began his professional career as an attorney at Kilpatrick & Cody in Atlanta, where he worked primarily in labor-law litigation. A Los Angeles native, Anderson earned a BA in political science from Stanford in 1979 and a JD from Harvard in 1979. He was an all-league high school quarterback and shortstop and a three-year football letterman and two-year baseball letterman at Stanford. He is a professor of practice in ASU’s new Sports Law and Business Program—a collaboration of the highly ranked Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law and W. P. Carey School of Business.

Rodney Smith

Rodney Smith is the director of the Sports Law and Business Program at the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University. He received his BA from Western State College of Colorado, his JD, with honors, from Brigham Young University and his LLM and SJD from the University of Pennsylvania. He received an honorary doctorate from Capital University. He is a member of the board of trustees of the American Academy for Legal Education and has served on the international board of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society. Smith previously served as dean of the law schools at Capital University, the University of Montana, and the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. He is the author of three law textbooks and more than 25 scholarly articles and is recognized for his scholarship in the freedom of religion and sports law areas.

Danny White

Dallas Cowboys Quarterback and College Football Hall of Fame

Danny White, a graduate of Mesa’s Westwood High School, was a quarterback and a punter at Arizona State University, where he was an All-American in 1973. Throughout his career at ASU, he set seven NCAA passing records. In 1973 his passing and running placed him second in the nation in total offense. Sports Illustrated named him the second highest rated quarterback of all time, behind only Steve Young. The National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame honored White in 1997 as the first player inductee from ASU and the state of Arizona.

After two years with the Memphis Southmen of the World Football League, White joined the NFL and the Dallas Cowboys. He broke the Cowboys’ single-season passing record (29 touchdowns) in his first year as a starter (1980). The Cowboys went to the playoffs five times and won the NFC East title three times in White’s six years as a starter. He ended his career as the Cowboys’ most accurate passer, setting single-season team records for completions (330) and touchdowns passed (29). He still holds eight Cowboys records and the record for the most touchdown passes thrown in Texas Stadium.


In addition, White was inducted into the City of Mesa Sports Hall of Fame, the Arizona Sports Hall of Fame, and the ASU Sun Devil Athletics Hall of Fame, where his No. 11 jersey was retired. He was also named the Arizona Athlete of the Century by the Arizona Republic in 2000.

After retiring from the game, White provided analyst commentary for the Fox Sports Pac-10 game of the week, and he currently is the analyst for Compass Media, which broadcasts all Dallas Cowboys games over their national syndicated network. White and his wife, JoLynn, have four children and 12 grandchildren.

The J. Reuben Clark Law Society: A Short History

Founding

The J. Reuben Clark Law Society was conceived in 1987 by Bruce C. Hafen, dean of J. Reuben Clark Law School, and Ralph J. Hardy, a prominent lawyer in Washington, DC. Dean Hafen was seeking ideas from distinguished LDS attorneys for how to strengthen the Law School. Hardy opined that all LDS lawyers, regardless of where they graduated, would be affected by the quality of a law school sponsored by BYU. The two men discussed the creation of an association that would benefit LDS attorneys throughout the country, envisioning an organization that would provide many advantages to its members, including mentoring opportunities, a referral network, and moral support for the challenges unique to being an active LDS law student or attorney.

Hardy proceeded to organize a major dinner in Washington, DC, under the name of the J. Reuben Clark Law Society. At the dinner, held November 16, 1987, Elder Jeffrey R. Holland, who was then serving as president of BYU, offered some remarks. Bruce Hafen also spoke, as did Rex E. Lee. The next year the J. Reuben Clark Law Society was officially formed. The initial national board members were Wilford Anderson of Mesa, Arizona; Gary Anderson and William Muzzman of San Francisco; Everett Benton of Houston; Joseph Cannon of Provo; Val Christensen, Dale Kimball, and Michele Mitchell of Salt Lake City; Paul Gilbert of Phoenix; Ralph Hardy, William Ingersoll, and Brent Isaelsen of Washington, DC; Douglas Higham of Newport Beach, California; Nancy Stevenson (Van Slooten) of Downey, California; Monte Stewart of Las Vegas; Judith Thomas of Schaumburg, Illinois; and John Welch of Los Angeles.

Chapter Formation

Individual chapters were soon organized in Washington, DC; Phoenix; San Francisco; and Los Angeles. By 1995 there were 16 chapters in cities around the United States and Canada and over 4,000 members. By 2001 there were 28 chapters, with the number of member attorneys who had not graduated from BYU Law School increasing in percentage. The biggest increase in membership occurred after 2006, when student chapters were formally added to the society.

There are now approximately 200 chapters of the Law Society, with student chapters at approximately 100 law schools. These vibrant chapters are found throughout the United States and in Africa, South and Central America, Europe, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and island nations such as the Philippines and American Samoa.

International Chairs

The society owes a great debt of gratitude to the inspired vision of Ralph Hardy, who served as the first chair of the board. He has been followed in that capacity by Gary Anderson, Charles E. “Bud” Jones, Ralph R. Mabey, Marshall Tanner, William F. Arkin, Lew W. Cramer, Joseph Bentley, Brent J. Belnap, Nancy S. Van Slooten, Douglas R. Bush, and Jeremiah J. Morgan. The society has been supported from its inception by an executive director and later by an assistant executive director, both appointed by the dean of the Law School and funded by the Law School. Scott Cameron and Mary Hoagland have served for many years in these leadership roles. The General Counsel’s Office of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has been a constant supporter of the society from the beginning.

Work of the Society

In cooperation with BYU Law School, the society has published the Clark Memoandum since 1988. The society has also held a leadership conference at BYU each fall since 1990; sponsored an annual fireside since 2003, which originates at the LDS Conference Center in Salt Lake City and is broadcast over the LDS Church satellite network; and organized an annual conference since 2006. The attorney and student chapters of the Law Society conduct their own activities for the benefit of their members. These include CLE presentations, sponsoring and promoting pro bono and other service activities, institute and similar classes for student chapter members, mentoring and employment-related events, as well as a host of events and awards that promote the mission statement of the Law Society, which states: “We affirm the strength brought to the law by a lawyer’s personal religious conviction. We strive through public service and professional excellence to promote fairness and virtue founded upon the rule of law.”

Ralph Hardy, a former Area Seventy for the LDS Church, has stated that the society fulfilled the vision he had in the 1980s, but its inspired purposes were much larger than he could then see. Today the Law Society strives to strengthen its members in many ways. As Hardy has said, “All of these events and associations through the Law Society have helped refine valuable insight, tailored for my chosen profession, so that I know better what is expected of me and how I can meet the challenge.”
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