

LAW SCHOOL CLASS NOTES

1982

STEPHEN GOLDNER of West Bloomfield, MI, is CEO and chairman of the board of Pure Green Pharmaceuticals. The company is taking its THC/CBD tablets for pain and anxiety relief through the FDA approval process.

1988

DONNA (GANIS) GENOVESE of Pleasantville, NY, has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" by Super Lawyers for the past 10 years. She is a partner at Goldschmidt & Genovese, where her practice areas include matrimonial, family law, collaborative law and mediation.

1989

CATHLEEN SIMPSON of Bridgeport, CT, is the director of labor relations for New Haven Mayor Justin Elicker. She brings 20-plus years of experience to the position as a labor and employment relations specialist.

1992

RICHARD COLANGELO of Easton, CT, recently was appointed chief state's attorney for Connecticut by the Criminal Justice Commission. He previously served as the state's attorney for the Stamford/Norwalk judicial district.

ANTHONY SLIMOWICZ

of Bernardsville, NJ, recently spoke at the Denis F. McLaughlin Advanced Trial Advocacy Workshop at the Seton Hall University School of Law. He is COO and president of Crum & Forster Surety, Credit and Program Solutions.

1995

MARY-JANE FOSTER of Hartford recently celebrated three years as president and CEO of Interval House, Connecticut's largest domestic violence agency.

1996

ANTHONY MINCHELLA of Middlebury, CT, was named a Connecticut Super Lawyer for the 10th straight year. He is a founding member of Minchella Law and also serves as vice president of the Raymond E. Baldwin Inn of Court.

RAY PINEAULT of Glastonbury, CT, has been named regional president of Mohegan Gaming & Entertainment. He oversees operations at Mohegan Sun in Connecticut, Mohegan Sun Pocono in Pennsylvania and Paragon Casino Resort in Louisiana.

1998

WENDY PRINCE of Pelham Manor, NY, has been named director of the Greenwich/Stamford chapter of the National Association of Divorce Professionals. She is the principal and founding member of the Prince Law Group in Stamford, CT.

KATHLEEN SIGURDSON

of Washoe Valley, NV, is an attorney working in Reno, NV. She is running for district court there. Kathleen's practice areas include civil litigation, personal injury and workers' compensation.

1999

REBECCA IANNANTUONI of Bethany, CT, recently was promoted to partner at Day Pitney, a firm with more than 300 attorneys across five states and the District of Columbia.

THOMAS SAADI of Danbury, CT, recently served a six-month military mobilization as the senior administrative law attorney at the U.S. Army Watervliet Arsenal in upstate New York. Thomas is commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs.

2001

ROBERT KOOSA of Bourne, MA, has joined Chartwell Law as a partner in its Boston office. His practice areas include unfair trade practices, motor vehicle accidents, discrimination/violation of fair employment practices, contract disputes and personal injury claims.

2003

MICHELLE ESPEY of Smithtown, NY, has joined Farrell Fritz as a tax partner. She counsels clients on all stages of federal, state and city tax disputes. She also advises not-for-profits on matters related to tax-exempt status.

ELIZABETH GALLETTA

of Cromwell, CT, was promoted to partner at Murtha Cullina in its intellectual property practice group.

2004

KEITH MURRAY of Ansonia, CT, recently marked the 10th anniversary of his solo practice and became an adjunct professor of forensic science at Southern Connecticut State University.

2005

JOSEPH ARCATA of West Hartford, CT, has been named a partner at BX3. He leads BX3 Consulting, a division that helps businesses with tax, accounting, marketing, public relations and graphic design.

2006

CRAIG HERSKOWITZ of New York, NY, works in the administration of New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo. He is the assistant counsel to the governor for taxation and financial services.

2007

ROBERT HEINIMANN JR. of Hamden has been promoted to counsel at Murtha Cullina, in the firm's trusts and estates department.

ADAM RATTNER of White Plains, NY, married Esther Gibofsky on Feb. 29, 2020, in New York City. He is the general counsel at MonitorMe, a medical device startup in Poughkeepsie, NY.

LISA STARON of Wethers-

field, CT, has been promoted to partner at Murtha Cullina, in the firm's trusts and estates department. Her practice areas include estate, tax and business succession planning, and estate and trust administration.

2008

GARY BIESADECKI of Simsbury, CT, recently was promoted to deputy director of human resource management for the Connecticut Judicial Branch. His practice area is employment law.

GREGORY MUCCILLI

of Guilford, CT, was elected a partner of Shipman & Goodwin in January. His practice areas include real estate and land use.

2009

EDWARD YERZAK of Waretown, CT, has been named director of the cybersecurity practice area at Compliance Solutions Strategies in Salis-

bury, CT. E.J. was previously promoted to partner in 2016. His practice areas include cybersecurity, regulatory compliance and financial services.

2011

NICOLE CUGLIETTO '08, JD '11, of Stamford, CT, has been named a partner at Wilson Elser. Nicole's practice areas include first-party disability, product recall and contingency coverage.

JENNIFER PEDEVILLANO

of Guilford, CT, has been named a partner at Halloran Sage. She is a member of the firm's construction, labor and employment, and litigation practice groups. In addition, she has experience assisting medical providers subpoenaed for records and testimony.

2012

WREN KRUSE of New Albany, OH, is an elder care law and Medicaid planning attorney with Pappas Gibson in Powell, OH. She has been named to the board of directors at SourcePoint, a nonprofit that provides professional services for adults 55 and older.

BRITTANY (BUSSOLA) PAZ

of Orange, CT, recently was promoted to partner at Ruane Attorneys, one of the largest criminal defense firms in Connecticut with six offices across the state.

2013

LAUREN ENEA of Somers, NY, recently was honored at Westfair Communications' 2019 Millennial Awards in White Plains, NY. She is an associate at Enea, Scanlan & Sirignano. Her primary practice areas are wills, trusts and estates; Medicaid and special needs planning; and probate/estate administration.

PARTHIBAN MATHAVAN

of Cary, NC, recently was admitted to the North Carolina Bar. He is a patent attorney with NK Patent Law, an intellectual property and patent boutique law firm that serves startups, established companies and universities.

2014

LAUREN MACDONALD and **JONATHAN JACOBSON** of Stamford, CT, were married on Nov. 23, 2019, in Branford, CT.

The bride is an attorney with Maya Murphy, P.C. The groom is an associate with the Law Offices of David W. Rubin.

2015

JOHN-RAPHAEL PICHARDO of Albany, NY, serves as legislative research counsel to the 16 members of the City of Albany Common Council. He is the primary legal adviser and bill drafter to the council's membership and the city clerk's office.

2017

NANCY VALENTINO of North Haven, CT, has joined Halloran Sage as an associate. Her areas of practice include litigation and dispute resolution, medical malpractice and personal injury.

2018

JOHN O'HARA of Arlington, VA, is an associate with Alston & Bird in Washington, D.C. His practice areas include international trade, export controls, economic sanctions, litigation, and legislative and public policy.

2019

DAN CORICA of Shelton, CT, is an assistant clerk in the criminal court clerk's office in the Waterbury Judicial District. As a law student, he served as a temporary assistant clerk in the New Haven judicial district and Superior Court in Derby.

IN MEMORIAM

2019

Robert Bassett, JD '91
Gregory Doyle '98, MBA '07
Mary Ellen Durso, former law school associate dean and registrar
Carolyn (Simrany) Fuchs '68
Howard Gold '71
Jeremy Hayden, JD '05
Lester Margolis '48
Barbara Mazurek, MSN '04
Florence (Ginsberg) Novak '42
Matthew O'Gorman '91
Anthony Onnembo '61
Peter Parodi '69
Florence Schmitt '45

2020

Richard Faccenda '95
Katherine Harris, associate professor of physical therapy
Chad Hartline, Facilities
Scott Reath, JD '93
Michael Sirica, JD '85
Irving Trager, JD '84
Rita (Nurenberg) Wellman '58

THE ACCIDENTAL LAWYER

Bogan guides myriad public utility clients through regulatory mazes

BY OLIVIA ABEL
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AT ONE TIME, David Bogan, JD '86, thought he'd become an actor, and even pursued that career in New York City for a time. Instead, through fate and what he calls divine intervention, he is respected as one of Connecticut's leading public utility lawyers.

In the past 30 years, Bogan has worked with all of the state's public utilities, including electric, gas and water, but it is perhaps in the telecommunications sector that he has made his biggest mark. Bogan was a major player in creating and implementing the rules when the state deregulated the telecommunications industry in 1994—two years before the federal government did the same. This handed him his first big client.

"From 1988 to 2011, I represented what is now Verizon Wireless," he says. "I was witness to the birth and growth of the entire wireless industry."

Today, Bogan is a partner at Locke Lord, an international law firm with more than 20 offices worldwide. "Basically, I am a regulatory policy litigator. A lot of what I do is half litigation, half business consulting," he says, noting that companies hire him to guide them through the minefield of state and federal regulations.

"These companies have lobbyists who draft legislation, but then I help them revise and rework it," he says. Bogan is frequently called as an expert to testify before legislative committees on a wide range of utility-related issues. Recently he appeared on behalf of CTIA, the wireless trade association, while helping to set up the rules for small cell 5G deployment in Connecticut, the future standard for internet connectivity.

Growing up in a Chicago suburb, Bogan frequently was told he'd make a good lawyer. "I liked oral presentation," he says, but he ultimately gravitated toward the performing arts. As a 5-year-old, he appeared in an ad for Butterball Swift's Premium Turkey.

After high school, he spent some time on "the college circuit," starting at the University of Wisconsin and transferring to NYU. He dropped out to work in theater in New York City, but he grew tired of what he termed "the poverty-stricken life." He enrolled at the University of Bridgeport, completed a bachelor's degree in finance and banking, and moved on to law school.

After short stints at two state agencies involved in utility regulations, Bogan took a job as a prosecutor at the state

attorney's office. During his first six months and five trials, he became hooked on the adrenaline rush from getting a verdict.

"I loved it; I thought this was what I wanted to do," he says. Meanwhile a more established lawyer who represented most of the local cable companies kept offering him a job. "He called me month after month after month," says Bogan. "Finally he made me an offer that I couldn't refuse."

For two years, Bogan learned the tricks of the trade with this lawyer. He then spent 22 years at Robinson & Cole, where he became a partner, before leaving in 2012 for his current position. At Robinson & Cole, he established the company's first Utilities Practice Group and went on to represent dozens of companies, including the nation's largest cable and wireless firms.

Bogan was hired in 1999 to represent Dominion Resources, a Virginia company, when it bought the Millstone Power Station in Waterford for almost \$1.3 billion. The nuclear power plant supplies 25 percent of all the energy in the Northeast. Bogan still has that account and, in 2019, helped orchestrate a deal that kept the power station open for another 10 years.

"The loss of Millstone would have been catastrophic for our state and our region," Gov. Ned Lamont said in a statement announcing the agreement. Bogan also snagged Comcast as a client in 1996 and is still representing them today. "I've been incredibly fortunate," he says.



These days Bogan bounces between Hartford (where he is officially based), Boston and his home on Cape Cod, which he shares with his wife, Heather Hunt, who is also an attorney. He has four adult children from his first marriage and three grandchildren. In November 2019, he was elected to a Town Council position in Barnstable on the Cape. "It's a dizzying schedule sometimes, but I make it work," he says.

When he's not working, Bogan can be found in the kitchen. "I live to eat," he says. "I cook every day; it's how I relax." He lists a long line of recent dinners, including steak and Osso Buco, but he's particularly proud of his baby back ribs, which he smokes at home over two days. His ribs are so popular that he gives them away in the office at Christmastime.

Looking back at his career, Bogan feels he has come full circle. "Being an actor actually served me well. I use those skills as an attorney and as a councilor. It's all come together now."

David Bogan, JD '86, was heavily involved in creating and implementing the rules during the deregulation of Connecticut's telecommunications industry.