

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law Celebrates Annual Alumni Reunion Weekend – October 9 & 10, 2009

Lawrence G. Campbell, '69, Honored as Alumnus of the Year

DETROIT, Mich. – October 6, 2009 – The University of Detroit Mercy School of Law will celebrate its annual Alumni Reunion Weekend on October 9 and 10th. The pinnacle event is the Dinner Dance at the Detroit Athletic Club Saturday evening from 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. with the presentation of the 2009 Law Alumnus of the Year Award to **Lawrence G. Campbell** of the Class of 1969.

Lawrence G. Campbell earned his bachelor's degree from Michigan State University, and then spent some time as a professional baker before deciding to pursue a law degree at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. As a law student, he served as Managing Editor of the Law Review from 1968-69 and was active in the Urban Law Clinic.

Mr. Campbell was the first UDM Law alumnus to join Dickinson Wright PLLC, when he started at the firm shortly after graduating in 1969. He has been with the firm for 40 years and previously served as Managing Partner. His areas of specialty are Commercial and Business Litigation, Securities, Labor and Employment Relations, Mergers and Acquisitions, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Accountant Malpractice, and Corporate Governance. During his career, he has represented a wide array of clients, including AT&T, Northwest Airlines, Forbes Company, and Merrill Lynch.

In addition to his distinguished legal career, Mr. Campbell also has a long history of service to the Bar and community at-large. He is a member of the Michigan Supreme Court Historical Society Board of Directors, an original and current fellow of the State Bar of Michigan Foundation, current member of the Michigan Defense Trial Counsel Board of Directors, past President of the Federal Bar Association, past Chairperson of the State Bar of Michigan's U.S. Courts Committee, and a member of the American College of Trial lawyers.

Other Reunion events include a cocktail reception at Goodnite Gracie Jazz & Martini Bar in Royal Oak on October 9th from 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.; a 5K run/walk beginning at 9:00 a.m. on October 10th at the School of Law Campus to benefit the UDM Law Public Interest Fellowship Program; and a Preview Party in the Pontchartrain Room of the DAC on October 10th from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., exclusively for prior Alumnus of the Year honorees and *651 Club* Members.

Additional details regarding the Law Alumnus of the Year Award and a list of prior honorees follow.

For more information about the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law, visit www.law.udmercy.edu.

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University of Detroit Mercy School of Law Alumnus/Alumna of the Year Award

The Law Alumnus/Alumna of the Year is selected by the Board of Directors of the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law Alumni Association. The award was established by the Board in 1985 to honor alumni who have in many ways distinguished themselves in their chosen field or endeavor, and who through their careers have brought recognition and honor to the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law.

Prior Honorees:

Hon. James H. Brickley (1985)
Nathan B. Goodnow (1985)
Frank J. Kelley (1985)
Donald H. Mitzel (1986)
Hon. James L. Ryan (1986)
Hon. Thomas G. Kavanagh (1987)
Hon. George R. Deneweth (1988)
John A. Kruse (1989)
William L. Cahalan (1990)
William D. Gilbride, Sr. (1991)
James A. Courter (1992)
Hon. Michael F. Cavanagh (1993)
Hon. Joseph A. Sullivan (1994)
Hon. Alice R. Resnick (1995)
Hon. Louis F. Simmons, Jr. (1996)
William D. Booth (1997)
Thomas C. Mayer (1998)
Charles R. Rutherford (1999)
Hon. Roman S. Gribbs (2000)
Eugene A. Gargaro, Jr. (2001)
Hon. Peter E. Deegan (2002)
Edmund M. Brady, Jr. (2003)
Hon. Maura D. Corrigan (2004)
L. Brooks Patterson (2005)
Frederick W. Lauck (2006)
Denise D. Ilitch (2007)
Hon. Patrick J. Duggan (2008)
Lawrence G. Campbell (2009)