

John J. Farmer, Jr. Set to Assume the Deanship of the Law School

John J. Farmer, Jr. will become Dean of Rutgers School of Law–Newark on July 1. The Dean-designate has held several notable positions in government service at the state and national level and in private practice, including New Jersey Attorney General and Senior Counsel and Team Leader of the 9/11 Commission. In 2007 he became a founding partner of the law firm Arseneault, Whipple, Farmer, Fassett and Azzarello, LLP. “I look forward to building on the solid foundation developed by Dean Deutsch, and to working with an outstanding faculty of legal scholars and a world-class group of students,” Farmer said. | [Read story](#)

Stuart Deutsch to Become University Professor

Dean Stuart L. Deutsch has been named a University Professor, effective July 1. Following a one-year leave, he will return to the faculty and teach environmental law. The Board of Governors resolution noted that during his 10-year tenure, the law school has grown in faculty numbers and quality and in the diversity of students and faculty; strengthened ties with other academic units and the community; and relocated to the Center for Law and Justice. | [Read story](#)

Major Reviews for Book by Donna Dennis

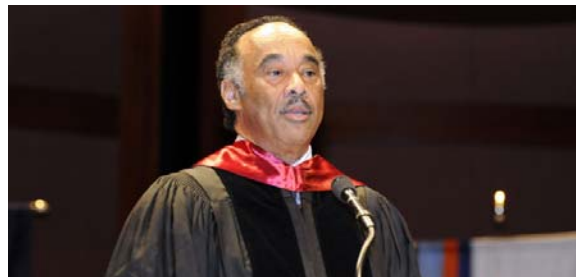
Licentious Gotham: Erotic Publishing and Its Prosecution in Nineteenth-Century New York by Professor Donna Dennis was favorably reviewed by the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* and designated an “Editor’s Choice” by the *Times*. The book reflects several of Dennis’s scholarly interests, including the connections between law and capitalism, the history of morals regulation, and the relationship between law and popular culture. | [Read story](#)

Paul Tractenberg Receives Bellagio Fellowship

Board of Governors Service Professor Paul L. Tractenberg has been awarded a scholarly residency fellowship this summer at the Rockefeller Foundation Bellagio Center in Italy, where he will work on the *Abbott v. Burke* chapter for his forthcoming book *New Jersey Goes A-Courting: 10 Legal Cases That Shook the Nation*. | [Read story](#)

Fulbright Fellowship to Mark S. Weiner

Professor Mark S. Weiner has been awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to teach and undertake research at the University of Akureyri, Iceland, for the fall 2009 term. He will teach U.S. constitutional law and conduct research for his book on the

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transformation of clan identity and the development of the rule of law. The first chapter will likely focus on Iceland, whose history provides a case study of the relation between legal development and clan identity. | [Read story](#)

New Book Describes How Rutgers Clinical Students Help Make the Law

You Can Tell It to the Judge . . . and Other True Tales of Law School Lawyering features essays by 13 faculty members on some of the clinical program's legal challenges and pedagogical lessons. The book is edited by Professor Frank Askin, founding director of the Constitutional Litigation Clinic and author of the phrase, "At other law schools, students learn the law; at Rutgers, they help make the law." | [Read story](#)

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Clinical Program News

The Environmental Law Clinic completed a settlement in *New Jersey Coalition Against Aircraft Noise v. Federal Aviation Administration* (D.N.J.). The clinic's client alleged that the Federal Aviation Administration unlawfully withheld documents responsive to a Freedom of Information Act request relating to the proposed redesign of aircraft routes in and out of airports in the Philadelphia and New York metropolitan areas. Despite initial claims of exemption, the government released all previously withheld documents as part of the settlement.

[Essex Courts Event for Youth Aging Out of Foster Care Based on CAC Manual](#)

[Constitutional Litigation Clinic Awaits Verdict in E-Voting Machine Trial](#)

Faculty Notes

Suzanne Kim has been reappointed as Associate Professor of Law for a three-year term. **Jack Feinstein** has been reappointed Clinical Professor of Law for a five-year term, and **Jennifer Rosen Valverde** has been promoted from Associate Clinical Professor of Law to Clinical Professor of Law for a five-year term.

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Alumni News & Achievements

Development News

Jonathan M. Moses, Esq. and Jennifer Moses created the **Judge Sybil R. Moses Scholarship** in honor of their mother, who graduated from the law school with honors in 1974. She was the first woman to be named a New Jersey Superior Court assignment judge. Donations in memory of Judge Moses will provide financial assistance to full-time female law students.

Family and friends established the **Mark J. Lopez Civil Liberties Scholarship** to commemorate a special birthday and the achievements of Mark J. Lopez '85. Lopez is of counsel at Lewis, Clifton & Nikolaidis and was senior staff attorney at the ACLU in New York for 11 years. The scholarship will provide

financial assistance to students in the Constitutional Litigation Clinic.

This year a new tradition was born: a [class fund competition](#) between the classes of 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 to determine which will have the highest participation rate, and consequently, bragging rights! Thanks to the organizing efforts of Neal Kronley and Chris Greer, the class of 2009 has a solid lead, with a 35% participation rate.

Allan Axelrod, William J. Brennan, Jr. Professor of Law Emeritus and legendary figure at the law school, died on August 9, 2008. The school is establishing the **Allan Axelrod Endowed Fund** as a memorial tribute to enhance the teaching, research and study of commercial and property law, and other subjects that Professor Axelrod valued greatly, and to continue support of the law library. The Allan Axelrod memorial committee is led by former dean and university professor, Peter Simmons, and Joseph Barry '65.

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> SEPTEMBER 22

Patent Law and Pharmaceuticals Symposium co-hosted by the New Jersey Intellectual Property Law Association and Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP

> SEPTEMBER 26–27

Conference on the Philosophical Foundations of Criminal Law, with presentations by international scholars

> OCTOBER 15

Annual Alumni Association Recognition Dinner, honoring Ann Berger Lesk '77, Neil Mullin '79 and Nancy Erika Smith '80, and the Hon. Ronald Chen '83.