



Sister Sharon Euart, RSM, New Executive Coordinator at Canon Law Society

WASHINGTON—Mercy Sister Sharon Euart has been named executive coordinator of the Canon Law Society of America. The first woman in the position, she succeeds Franciscan Father Arthur Espelage, who has held the office since 1999.

Father Paul D. Counce, president of the Canon Law Society, made the announcement on behalf of the society's Board of Governors. Sister Euart will assume the position August 1.

Sister Euart has been a member of the Society since 1984 and served as its President in 2004-2005. In addition to serving as President of the Society, she has served as a consultant on the Board of Governors from 1995-1997, a member of the Special Task Force that drafted the *Guide to the Implementation of the U.S. Bishops Essential Norms for Dioceses/Eparchial Policies Dealing with Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Minors by priests or Deacons*, the Committee on the Canonical Aspects of the Sexual Abuse of Minors, and the Publications Task Force. She is currently chair of the Future Initiatives Project. Sister Euart has given major addresses and seminar presentations at the national and regional meetings of the Society.

Sister Euart holds a doctorate in canon law from The Catholic University of America and master's degrees from Johns Hopkins University. A former USCCB associate general secretary, she currently serves as a canon law consultant and visiting Instructor in the School of Canon Law at Catholic University.

Sister Euart also serves as a consultant to the USCCB Committee on Canonical Affairs and the Work Group on *Apostolos suos*, the Vatican document by Pope John Paul II on the theological and juridical nature of Episcopal conferences.



Sister Sharon Euart

She is vice chair of the Board of Directors of the Georgetown University-based Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) and a member of the Catholic Common Ground Initiative.

The executive coordinator is the chief administrative officer of the Canon Law Society of America, which provide services to the Board of Governors and the Society's more than 1,500 members. Sister Euart is the eighth person to hold this office.

In announcing her appointment, Father Counce praised Sister Euart's experience.

"We are very pleased that Sister Sharon has accepted our invitation to serve the Society in this important role. She brings almost 30 years of ministry in church administration, along with a knowledge and experience of the Church in the United States that will serve the Society well and assist us in carrying out our mission to the Church and its canonical ministry."

Sister Euart entered the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, Regional Community of Baltimore in 1966.▼

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The Advocate's Journey: Navigating the Minefield of Advocacy, Rights and the Law

On January 28-30, 2008 the CLSA sponsored a workshop for the purposes of training advocates in canonical penal processes. The event was held at the Oblate Renewal Center in San Antonio, Texas, a comfortable and conducive setting. The workshop leaders were Msgr. Ricardo Bass (chairperson), Msgr. Fred Easton, Rev. Paul Golden, CM, Rev. Mr. Jerry Jorgensen, Rev. Patrick Lagges, and Rev. Daniel Smilanic. This workshop was requested in Resolution #4 approved at the 68th General Convention of the Canon Law Society of America in October 2006 in Fort Worth, Texas.

The twenty-four participants were from around the country as well as one from Sydney, Australia. While all were required to hold a license in Canon Law and have tribunal experience, more than half had little or no experience in advocacy.

The workshop was organized around a well-developed case study highlighting the various phases of a typical case from allegation to final determination. The leaders of the workshop were not simply lecturers but guides and facilitators involving

the participants in the advocate's journey through the penal process.

All who participated realized that addressing the penal processes from the point of view of the advocate would also assist one serving in the role of promoter of justice, judge or canonical advisor to the bishop, because the canonical advocate is by profession committed to the discovery of the truth. The experience prompted questions and discussion not only during the sessions, but also during meals and the late evening snacks.

The evaluation of the workshop showed the enthusiasm of the group for this experience. All said their goals were met and oft-times exceeded. The case study approach received high marks because it enabled one to see the penal process from an experiential point of view. One of the suggestions for future workshops was to add some more time, perhaps a full day.

The presenters, who strongly believe there is a need for more people trained in this area of the law, propose to repeat this workshop in the fall of this year after the annual CLSA convention.▼



RESOURCES

- Nicholas P. Cafardi has written a new text published by Paulist Press. *Before Dallas: The U.S. Bishops' Response to Clergy Sexual Abuse of Children* is 272 pages in 6 x 9 format and hardcover. Described as "insightfully written and thoroughly annotated, *Before Dallas* will become the accepted reference work on the Church's legal response to clerical sexual abuse, and an indispensable guide for preventing the tragedy from happening again. It will be essential reading for church historians, canonists, clergy, and all those interested in the future welfare of the Church and her faithful." The price is \$27.95 and available at www.paulistpress.com.
- **Oxford University Press** recently published a third edition of law by Mark Hill. The new text offers a fully revised and updated exposition of the law of the Church of England and provides a thorough and authoritative commentary from an acknowledged expert in the field. The revised text contains a new chapter dealing with law and procedure under the Clergy Discipline Measure 2003. The text is 752 Pages, hardback at \$95.00. Catalog N. 978-0-19-921712-0.
- **Pontifical University of St. Thomas**, Faculty of Canon Law in Rome will host on Wednesday, April 9th, 2008, a program entitled "Diverse Models of Authority Present in Religious Life in the Latin Church: Reflections and Possibilities on the Occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the Promulgation of the Code of Canon Law. For more information consult the CLSA website or e-mail Dott.sa M. Francesca Carneia, Secretary at scgrdecdir@pust.urbe.it.
- **The International Institute of Tribunal Studies** located in Los Angeles, California, offers the following program. *Ferragosto: Summer with the Benedicts*, Monday, August 4th to Friday, August 8, 2008. For more information go to the CLSA website and click on the attached pdf link.▼

Busier than Bees



Rev. Paul Counce

Every now and then something that occurs in the course of a day's work turns out to be an insightful moment. Even when nothing unexpected or unusual happens, new perspectives can open up when such insights occur.

One insight that has struck me with great force over my time of service to you in the Canon Law Society of America has been just how hard our members work! And I'm not just talking about our officers and other members of the Board of

Governors, or our Committee chairs and members. Each one of our individual members, it seems, is heavily involved in the work of the Church, which after all is the ministry of canonists.

The frequent contacts which pepper my day often reveal just how varied and challenging are the ministries our members engage in. Often a Chancery or Tribunal receptionist will note "He's in a meeting" or "She's in court right now" when I try to get through by phone. Emails may be brief and to-the-point, but the friendly text also usually reveals the involvement of the moment: teaching; writing; judicial or advocacy work; diocesan administration or leadership work within a religious institute, school or hospital; and always consultation. "Education" is officially the highest priority of the CLSA and its members, and it appears we do this most often not in classrooms but by constantly answering people's questions and helping them understand better the law of the Church.

True, all of this work can be overwhelming at times. Almost all of us are asked to wear more than one hat and do more than one job. But the involvement of canonists in so many different ways also can be a source of pride: our expertise and work is valued, and the Church does depend on us in so many ways to enhance its ministry. We manage to accomplish a great deal and do so in large measure with good sense and good humor intact!

I suppose all of this ultimately comes to this: I am immensely proud of the work done by members of our Society for the Church in our country and around the world. I hope you too share in that feeling of satisfaction and purpose. Those we serve appreciate us, but we also support one another by acknowledging as colleagues our gratitude for each other's efforts. And my daily prayer for the Society always begins with a "Thank you, Lord, for them all, and reward their good work."

Turning to more "newsy" items, I know that all of you join me in welcoming Sister

Sharon Euart, RSM, as our incoming Executive Coordinator. As announced in this *Newsletter*, Sharon will assume responsibility for coordinating the day-to-day activities of the Society this coming summer. In particular, I am pleased that she is assuming this position so soon after her leadership as CLSA President and then as chair of our "Future Initiatives Project." Her knowledge and experience give her not only a familiarity with the Society's past and present operations, but also impressive insights into how we can continue to progress in this new millennium.

The Board of Governors had a most productive meeting at the end of January. We continued to improve our plans for the next CLSA convention, this coming October, in Kansas City, Missouri, and the "pre-convention" workshops which will precede it. We received reports from almost all of our Society's committees and task forces – some, like the budget and nominations committees, don't meet until later in the Spring – and in general were pleased with the efforts being made to fulfill their mandates and accomplish their tasks.

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Membership Sponsors Needed

Periodically, the Office of the Executive Coordinator receives inquiries from individuals outside of the United States who are engaged in canonical ministry and would like to become members of the Canon Law Society of America, but the financial cost of membership is prohibitive. If you would like to consider sponsoring someone's membership in the society, please contact the Office of the Executive Coordinator. We would be very pleased to help the two of you make contact and discuss this possibility.▼

• Vic Finelli Secretary, **Eastern Regional Conference of Canonists** offers a warm and cordial invitation to all the members to attend the Eastern Regional Conference of Canonists annual gathering, this year being held from May 5-7, 2008 at the beautiful Mills House Hotel in historic Charleston, South Carolina. We are all very excited about this mini-convention entitled "Pondering a Third Code." As we celebrate the Silver Anniversary of the Code of Canon Law the talks will explore contemporary topics either not covered, or not sufficiently covered in the present Code. The list of distinguished speakers and their topic of discussion include: Monsignor Frederick Easton whose topic is entitled: "Disciplinary and Penal law: Impact of the sex abuse crisis: New Law in Progress." Sister Elizabeth McDonough's topic is entitled: *De Accomodata Renovazione Vitae Religiosae* in the USA - Forty years and Counting." The Reverend Francis Morrisey has entitled his talk: "Challenges for the Proper Administration of Temporal Goods in the Light of Changing Circumstances." And Monsignor Girard Sherba's talk is named, "Catholic Marriage Law: Reflections after a Quarter Century." This has the making of a truly wonderful two days and we wouldn't want you to miss out. I've attached an Adobe file with more information (hopefully it goes through!) or you could mail your name, organization, address(include street, city, state and zip), phone numbers and email address to: Mary McKenzie, Tribunal: Diocese of Charleston, PO Box 818, Charleston, SC29402. Please remember to include a check (made payable to the Diocese of Charleston) for the registration fee (\$100 for members of the Eastern Regional and \$125 for non-members). Reservations for a room can be made directly with the hotel by calling (800) 874-9600. Be sure to indicate that you are attending the Eastern Regional Conference of Canonists Convention. A reduced rate of \$169/night has been offered to all

attendees. Please join us in this historic and picturesque city for these two marvelous days of continuing education. We look forward to your visit and enjoying some truly southern hospitality.

- The **Midwest Canon Law Convention**, April 7-9, 2008, will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa, Traverse City, MI. Registration is \$150.00. Topics include Pastoral Issues and Challenges Today: Preaching, Teaching, Catechesis, Pre-Cana, Diocesan Synods; The Eucharist and Liturgical Law; Convers Regarding defective Convalidation: Signatura – Roman Rota; and Intention Against the Good of the Spouses: A Step Further. For more information, contact: Mary Dickerson at 989-732-5147 or GaylordTribunal@dioceseofgaylord.org

dioceseofgaylord.org or Linda Tedde at 330-744-8451 or ltedde@youngstowndiocese.org.

- The **Western Regional Conference of Canonists** will meet at the Canon Conference Center in Palm Springs, California, March 3 to 5, 2008. The Reverend Francis G. Morrisey, O.M.I. will offer three presentations: Simulation: Old Principles & New Jurisprudence," "Pastoral Concerns & Access to the Sacraments," and "Preparation of Sentences." Monsignor Charles Chaffman will join Father Morrisey in an Open Forum of "Best/Worst Tribunal Practices and Advocacy in Penal Trials." For more information contact Monsignor Tony Ferrero, Judicial Vicar of the Diocese of San Bernardino.▼

(PRESIDENT, from p. 3)

The BOG spent a great deal of time receiving and considering a special report, the final recommendations of the "Future Initiatives Project." A great deal of time and effort has been devoted to this, both by its drafting committee and by the Board. A consensus is clearly emerging that our Society can best fulfill its constitutional purposes and assist the Church in its mission by moving in two directions over the next few years. What are called for are, first, a modest internal restructuring, but second and more importantly, a focused, purposeful commitment to the priorities of education and study.

The full text of the FIP report is available to the membership of the Society on our website, www.clsa.org, and will also be sent to each member. I ask everyone to read it carefully, and become familiar with its goals and recommended approach, for at the upcoming Kansas City convention a special opportunity will be scheduled for us together to consider its provisions and begin this movement into our future.

Finally, I want to mention the special "Workshop for Advocates in Penal Cases" which was held at the end of January in

San Antonio, Texas. This educational effort, initiated by a 2006 resolution of the Society, gathered skilled presenters (led by Father Rick Bass) and an eager group of canonists to work through many of the issues which the growing number of penal trials and administrative processes are encountering in our country. Word is that it was a very successful time and effort: one young canonist told me that it was "simply the best canonical workshop" she had ever been to. It is an example of the kind of quality work the CLSA can and does accomplish, and we can look forward to more such efforts in the future, I'm sure.

(Rev.) Paul Counce
President, CLSA
CLSA CONVENTION

October 12-13 the CLSA will hold a pre-convention at Kansas City with the Monday to Thursday Convention Schedule following on October 13 to 16, 2008. Convention details and programs will be mailed out to members on May, 1st, 2008. At present the convention schedule and pre-convention workshops look like this.▼

Theme Selected for Seventieth Annual Convention of the Canon Law Society of America, October 2008

The 1983 Code of Canon Law: Twenty-five Years Later

The CLSA Board of Governors has selected the above theme for the 2008 annual convention.

The theme celebrating the 25th anniversary of the promulgation of the revised Code of Canon Law commemorates an occasion of great significance for the Church and for canonists throughout the world. Following the announcement of the revision of the Code of Canon Law on January 25, 1959 by Pope John XXIII, the Canon Law Society of America and its members were involved extensively in the revision process: serving as consultants to the Code Commission, reviewing schemata and preparing draft canons, advising the U.S. bishops and assisting major superiors in reviewing and drafting canons, conducting workshops on the revised code, and developing educational materials and commentaries on the revised law of the Church.

The 25th anniversary provides an opportunity for the Canon Law Society of America and indeed all canonists to reflect on what has transpired since the revised code's promulgation in 1983, to assess its implementation, its reception by the faithful, how it has accommodated "a new way of thinking" founded on the teaching of the Second Vatican Council, and its effectiveness as a means of pastoral reform in the Church.

The framework for such an assessment must include consideration of the very nature of canonical laws in the life of the Church. In the apostolic constitution *Sacrae Disciplinae Leges*, Pope John Paul II reminds us of the necessity of the Code of Canon Law:

Since the Church is organized as a social and visible structure, it must also have norms: in order that its hierarchical and organic structure be visible; in order that the exercise of the functions divinely entrusted to it, especially that of sacred

power and of the administration of the sacraments, may be adequately organized; in order that the mutual relations of the faithful may be regulated according to justice and based on charity, with the rights of individuals guaranteed and well-defined; in order, finally, that common initiatives undertaken to live a Christian life ever more perfectly may be sustained, strengthened and fostered.

The "General Introduction" to the *Code of Canon Law: A Text and Commentary*, highlights the potential contribution the code can make to the continued renewal and reform of the Church through "principles or norms

that are clear, simple and readily available for consultation or guidance." Just as church practice continues to evolve, so too, will canon law. Assessment of the usefulness and effectiveness of the code over the past twenty-five years will lead to reflection on the future, its challenges and opportunities in the ongoing interpretation and application of code to meet the pastoral needs of the People of God.▼

Board of Governors
October 2006

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Board of Governors Meeting in Orlando

The annual January meeting of the Board of Governors of the Canon Law Society took place from January 30th to February 1st, 2008 at Orlando, Florida. At this meeting the board reviewed the present activities of the Society through the reports of the President, Treasurer, Executive Coordinator, and Chairs of the CLSA Committees. The Board of Governors received the report and recommendations of the Future Initiative Project. Sr. Sharon Euart, RSM, Chair, and Msgr. John A. Alesandro presented the committee's thirty-two page report. Established at the January 2006 meeting of the CLSA Board of Governors after a two year discussion, the FIP seeks to address the function of planning in the society. Part One of the report proposes a reduction of the current twenty-four CLSA committees to eight with a focus on committee operations, their relationship to the Board of Governors, and collaboration with other national organizations and groups. Monsignor

Alesandro describes the work of the committee to create structure that is "streamlined, simplified, and pro-active." Part two of the report focuses on existing and proposed CLSA activities such as the role of education and "new horizons" with respect to enhanced canonical education, Hispanic American culture, parishes, and teaching of seminarians, lay ecclesial ministers (pastoral associates, parish life coordinators), pastors, parochial vicars, and deacons with respect to canon law. The Future Initiative Project suggests a blueprint by which the CLSA can contribute to the U.S. Church and beyond, and the potential of the Society for addressing the myriad of challenges for the future. The report concludes with the observation that the committee's labors make them "more enthusiastic and hopeful ... that a true revitalization and renewal of the Society is not only timely but possible." The board intends to make the full report of the committee available to members both electronically and in print form in the near future.▼

**CLSA Convention 2008 Program:
Kansas City, Missouri (October 13 - 16, 2008)**

The 1983 Code of Canon Law: Twenty-five Years Later

Keynote Address:

*Twenty-five Years of the 1983 Code:
Reflections on the Past, Thoughts on the
Future*

Presenter: Rev. Francis Morrissey,
OMI

Major Address:

The Reception of Vatican II in the
Structures of the Church

Presenter: Dr. Bradford Hinze

Closing Address:

*Shepherding the Faithful: A Bishop's Per-
spective on the 1983 Code of Canon Law*

Presenter: Most Reverend Randolph
Calvo, Bishop of Reno

Seminars:

Discussion of the Future Initiative
Project

Sr. Sharon Euart, RSM

*Religious Law: Challenges, Issues, and the
Future*

Sr. Lynn Jarrell, OSU, and Rev.
Daniel Ward, OSB

*Recent Developments in Tribunal
Jurisprudence*

Msgr. John Johnson

Defective Convalidation

Dr. Barbara Anne Cusack

*The Doctrine of the People of God and the
Hierarchy as Service in the Legislation on
the Local Church*

Dr. Myriam Wijlens

*Tribunal Procedures Yesterday and Today
– Development and Practice from the
1983 Code of Canon Law*

Rev. Ronald J. Bowers, SM

Liturgical Law: *Summorum Pontificium*

Rev. James Morisey

*Reorganization and the Canonical Civil
Restructuring of Parishes*

Rev. John Foster

*The Relationship of the Local Church to
Associations of the Faithful*

Rev. Robert Oliver, BH

Recent Developments in Sacramental Law

Rev. James Conn, SJ

Recent Developments Concerning Tem-
poral Goods, Including Complementary
USCCB Norms.

Most Reverend Thomas Paprocki

The Bishop's Referral of an Accused
Priest for Psychological Testing

Rev. Mr. Jerry Jorgensen.

**Institute on Tribunal
Practice in Matrimonial
Cases Set for June**

The School of Canon Law at The Catholic University of America announces an institute on tribunal practice in matrimonial cases, to be held on the University campus June 9-20, 2008. The program is designed for clergy, religious and laypersons without formal training in tribunal practices and procedures.

The Institute will provide an introduction to the terms and concepts of diocesan tribunal practice and an overview of the procedures and jurisprudence which apply to marriage cases processed in church courts today. Case study sessions will add a practical dimension to the program.

The Institute continues a tradition begun in 1967. Institute participants have included those involved in parish ministry and various types of tribunal work, as well as others interested in the subject matter.

Space is limited. Applicants are accepted on a first-come basis until all positions have been filled. Admission is not completed until the application fees and tuition have been received. In addition to scheduled classes, faculty will be available for individual consultation. Evening discussions may also be scheduled.

For more information, please refer to the pdf brochure found at the CUA or CLSA websites.▼

**CLSA Pre-Convention Workshops
Kansas City, Missouri (October 12 -13, 2008)**

Exclusion (Simulation)

Presenter: Dr. Lynda A. Robitaille

Civil and Canon Law: Due Process and
Prescription

Presenter: Rev. Phillip J. Brown

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The Canon Law Society of America joins the Passionists in the USA in announcing the death earlier today in Louisville, KY, of the **Most. Rev. Paul M. Boyle, CP**. He was 82, and died following complications from surgery. The Passionists have kindly provided this biography:

A native of Detroit, MI, born in 1926, Paul Boyle joined the Congregation of the Passion in 1946, and was ordained a Passionist Priest in 1953. He received a licentiate in Sacred Theology from St. Thomas University in 1955 and a licentiate in Canon Law from the Pontifical Lateran University, Rome Italy, in 1957. He also attended Northwestern University in Evansville, Illinois, St. John's University in Collegeville, Minnesota, St. Regis College in Toronto, and St. Paul College in Detroit. Fr. Boyle taught canon law and homiletics at both Sacred Heart Seminary in Louisville and at St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana. In 1964-1965 Paul Boyle served as President of the Canon Law Society of America, and from 1965 to 1968 as its Executive Coordinator. In 1968, Fr. Boyle was elected Provincial of the Holy Cross Province of the Passionists in Chicago, IL; from 1976 until 1988 he served as Superior General of the Congregation. In 1969 he became president of the Conference of Major Superiors of Men, a position he held until 1974.

In 1991 Pope John Paul II named him Titular Bishop of Canapium, and to lead the newly formed Apostolic Vicariate of Mandeville, Jamaica, in the West Indies. When it was promoted to diocesan status in 1997 he became its first Diocesan Bishop. He retired as Bishop of Mandeville in 2004, living since then with the Passionist Community in Louisville, Kentucky. Even in retirement he remained active with preaching appeals for Food for the Poor, sacramental ministry, and other preaching engagements.▼

- **CLSA Scholarship Advent Appeal:** Sixty-two members of the CLSA responded to the Advent Scholarship Appeal in 2007 offering \$3,210.00 to the domestic fund and \$1,285.00 to the international fund. The Society is indebted to the work of the Scholarship Committee under the Chair of **Mrs. Lori Albanese** for this year's appeal.
- **CLSA Members Honored:** On December 7th Archbishop announced that 15 Miami priests were granted ecclesiastical honors by Pope Benedict XVI. This was done in recognition of the Golden Jubilee of the Archdiocese of Miami which we are currently celebrating. **Monsignor Michael Souckar**, Secretary of the Canon Law Society of America and priest of the Archdiocese of Miami was recently awarded the title of Prelate of Honor to his Holiness Pope Benedict XVI. Other CLSA members honored are Tribunal officials, **Msstr. Andrew Anderson**, Judicial Vicar (Prelate of Honor to His Holiness) and **Msstr. Ken Schwanger** (Chaplain to His Holiness).
- With the resignation of Bishop John J. Leibrecht of Springfield-Cape Girardeau in conformity with can. 401 § 1, Pope Benedict XVI has appointed a CLSA member, the **Reverend Monsignor James Vann Johnston, Jr.**, a priest of Knoxville, Tennessee who is presently Chancellor and Moderator of the Curia as the next bishop of Springfield-Cape Girardeau. Monsignor Vann Johnston, Jr., was born the 16th of October 1959 in Knoxville, Tennessee. He attend St. Joseph Elementary School and completed his secondary education at Knoxville Catholic High School. Attending the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, he completed his bachelor degree in Electrical Engineering before entering St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana where he received his Master's Degree in Divinity. After ordination on 9 June 1990, he earned his Licentiate in Canon Law from The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC in 2001. Over the years, the new bishop served as parish priest in Chattanooga, Oak Ridge, and Knoxville and serve in various position of diocesan governance.▼

Call for 2008 Advisory Opinions

Have you recently researched an interesting canonical query that could benefit other canonists in their work of interpreting and applying the law? Do you harbor a burning question about the interpretation of canon law that you would prefer other canonists to consider by way of response? If so, the CLSA Committee on Advisory Opinions would love to hear from you!

The Committee is currently accepting submissions for the 2008 edition of CLSA Advisory

Opinions. It also maintains a list of canonists who are eager to respond to questions, whether of a practical or exclusively academic nature. Consider challenging local canonists to a brainstorming session of important questions in need of examination today!

Your opinions and questions should be forwarded to **Ms. Siobhan Verbeek**, CLSA Advisory Opinions Editor, at sverbeek@uscce.org. Entries will be accepted through April 30, 2008.▼

Search for CUA Dean of School of Canon Law

The Catholic University of America invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean of the School of Canon Law, one of its twelve schools. The university was established by the Catholic bishops of the United States to serve the Catholic community and the nation. The School of Canon Law is an ecclesiastical faculty that offers graduate programs leading to the Licentiate and Doctorate in Canon Law. There are currently 10 regular full-time faculty and about 80 graduate students enrolled in the School.

Appointed by the President after consultation with the Provost and the faculty of the School, the Dean provides academic and administrative leadership to the School, represents it to the University at large and to other constituent groups, is a member of the Deans' Conference, and reports directly to the Provost. The successful candidate must hold a terminal degree in Canon Law, be qualified for appointment at a senior faculty rank, understand canonical scholarship, have a collegial manner, and have demonstrated competence in teaching and administration in higher education. The Dean must be committed to maintaining the School's uniqueness in providing a complete canonical education not only in core

issues affecting the Latin code, but also in specialized areas such as history of law, administrative governance, Church/State issues, the Eastern code, and the relationship of canon law to civil law. He or she must also be willing to engage in fund raising activities appropriate to the position. Given the nature of the School and its identity with the University's mission, candidates must be Catholic. Preference will be given to Roman Catholic priests in good standing.

Salary is competitive. Review of applications and nominations will begin immediately and continue through March 21, 2008. If suitable candidates are not identified by that deadline, the review of applications and nominations will continue until the position is filled. It is hoped that the appointment will be effective on or about August 1, 2008. Applicants should submit a current curriculum vitae and provide names and addresses of 3-5 people who could serve as references to:

George E. Garvey, Chair
Vice Provost and Dean of
Graduate Studies
The Catholic University of America
116 McMahon Hall
Washington, DC 20064

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support the University's mission. The Catholic University of America is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Employer.

Tribunal of the Archdiocese of Minneapolis/St. Paul

A tribunal position is open for consideration. Interested parties should consult the CLSA website for a pdf job description. This is a full-time (40 hours per week), Grade 12 position, with benefits.

This position is to serve as auditor, assessor and associate judge on the Metropolitan Tribunal. In accord with the norms of the 1983 Code of Canon Law, this position facilitates the Declaration of Nullity process in a manner to assure the protection of rights for all parties tempered with a respect for Church teaching and law. Specifically, the position manifests the Church's respect for the human dignity of each person and its concern for the Sacrament of Marriage. A degree in Canon Law or indult from Rome is required.

Qualified and interested candidates are invited to send a letter of interest and resume to:

Rev. Christopher Beudet/Dn.
Richard Klish
Metropolitan Tribunal
328 W. Kellogg Blvd
St. Paul, MN 55102 ▼

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