This is one in a series of profiles about graduating law students and their career plans. Please send information about your plans to ConstructiveNotice@asu.edu.

Bruce Wagar will be working at Christie, Parker & Hale, an intellectual property firm in Pasadena, Calif. Wagar was a computer scientist and inventor before law school and came here to pursue a second career as a patent attorney. He spent last summer at CPI Water, a trademark and copyright law firm, and had a wonderful experience. "I am grateful to ASU for this opportunity and can't wait to start working full time next fall," Wagar said.

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE BREYER TO GIVE PEDRICK LECTURE

Justice Stephen Breyer of the U.S. Supreme Court will speak on "Our Democratic Constitution" at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12, in the Great Hall.

Retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor will introduce Justice Breyer, whose presentation, the annual Willard H. Pedrick Lecture, is free and open to the public. A public reception will follow. For more information, call (480) 965-6405.

Justice Breyer will discuss his views that the Constitution's primary role is to ensure "active liberty," citizen participation in shaping government and its laws.

First Annual Canby Lecture on Thursday

Kevin Washburn, Oneida Indian Nation Visiting Associate Professor of Law at Harvard Law School and Associate Professor at the University of Minnesota Law School, will deliver the first annual William C. Canby Distinguished Scholar Lecture. The lecture, "American Indians, Crime, and the Law: Five Years of Scholarship on Criminal Justice in Indian Country," will begin at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 24, in the Great Hall. The lecture is free and open to the public. Registration is preferred at law.asu.edu/ILP/Canby.

Washburn will be introduced by Judge William C. Canby Jr., of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, for whom the lecture is named. Commentary will follow from Diane J. Humetewa, U.S. Attorney for Arizona, and Jon M. Sands, Federal Public Defender for the District of Arizona. A reception will follow the event.

Inside the Lawyers Practice

Don't miss an interactive evening in the style of Inside the Actors Studio with Professor Michael Brech in the role of James Lipton and attorney Gordon Campbell (Class of 1972), author of Missing Winners, a New York Times bestseller, as the guest. The pair will discuss Campbell's book, which was inspired by two legendary Phoenix attorneys. The event will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6, in the Great Hall. A book signing will follow. CLE available; registration at the door.

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Jennifer Barnes, director of the Clinical Program at the College of Law, said Lucia was a brilliant lawyer and all-around nice guy.

"He was a tremendous person and a wonderful father, husband and friend who had an exceptional sense of humor," said Barnes, who practiced law with Lucia for 10 years. "He loved the law, and he was really good at it. He was a great trial lawyer, and he knew all the rules."

"It would make him happy to know that students will benefit in this way in his honor."

While working out at the downtown Phoenix YMCA or buckling down on lengthy, complex lawsuits, Lucia was the one lawyer on his team, said Phoenix attorney Ronald Warnicke, a friend for more than two decades and a partner in the law firm of Tecon, Warnicke and Roush.

"He was extremely adversarial in terms of his preparation for the issues," said Warnicke of Warnicke & Littler, P.L.C. "But in terms of dealing with other counsel, he was unusually adroit in keeping the dialogue between and among the lawyers on a professional plane, rather than having it sink to animosity."

Clausen said Lucia possessed many qualities that more lawyers should aspire to have, and no matter the work load, his door was always open.

"Not one time, in the six years that I practiced with him, did Tony ever say, 'I'm too busy for you,' and as a young attorney working on Tony's extremely complex cases, you often have that deer-in-the-headlights thing going that says, 'I don't understand this,'" he said. "Tony always said, 'Come on in and sit down.' It was amazing to me that I could feel welcome every time I walked into his office."

For more information about the scholarship or to contribute to it, e-mail Clausen at cwc@law.asu.edu or contact Terence McManus, director of development at the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, at (480) 727-0645 or e-mail him at tmcmanus@asu.edu.

ALUMNA CONFIRMED AS U.S. ATTORNEY

Diane J. Humetewa, a 1993 graduate of the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, has been confirmed as the U.S. Senate as Arizona's next U.S. Attorney.

Humetewa, a member of the Hopi tribe, is the first Native American appointed to the position. She has been the senior litigation counsel and tribal liaison in the Arizona U.S. Attorney's Office and serves as an appellate court judge for the Hopi Tribal Court.

Patricia White, dean of the College of Law, praised Humetewa:

"Diane Humetewa has outstanding academic credentials and extensive experience as a prosecutor," Tossie said. "I cannot think of another person who has Diane's depth and range of experience as a federal prosecutor and her familiarity with the many programs encompassed within the U.S. attorney's office."

"She has intellectual brilliance, outstanding lawyering skills, impeccable judgment, high ethical standards, commitment to professionalism, and the ability to build consensus and withstand among diverse groups. Diane Humetewa will be an excellent U.S. Attorney for the state of Arizona, the Native Nations within the southwest, and for the entire country."

Humetewa, who is being confirmed as a U.S. Attorney as the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs from August 1993 to March 1996, when Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., was chairman of the panel, has been an Assistant U.S. Attorney for six U.S. Attorneys.

She was recommended for the nomination by Sens. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., and McCain to fill the position vacated by Clarke, one of eight U.S. attorneys ousted in a controversial purge of the Justice Department. Daniel Knauss has served as the interim U.S. attorney since January.

"I congratulate Diane Humetewa on her confirmation today as the new U.S. Attorney for Arizona," Kyl said in a statement. "Her background as a career prosecutor, her dedication to public service and her commitment to justice make her an outstanding nominee and will certainly serve her well in this important position."

Clarkson praised Humetewa in his nomination.

"Diane has demonstrated a devotion to public service and commitment to justice, and I believe she is uniquely qualified to address legal issues in the state of Arizona," McCain said in a statement. "During my chairmanship on the Senate Indian Affairs Committee I had the opportunity to work with Diane and witness her dedication to serving American Indians, commitment to justice and incredible work ethic."

"These qualities will serve her well as the next U.S. Attorney for Arizona.

"Charlton told The Arizona Republic earlier this year that he and Humetewa had discussed the job, and he feels she is a "perfect fit."

"I tried a case with Diane about 10 years ago, and it was there that I saw this extraordinary combination of outstanding prosecutor and an individual with a clear moral compass who understood what was right and demonstrated good judgment consistently," Clarkson said. "One of the qualities that you need to be a U.S. attorney in Arizona is to have a great deal of sensitivity to issues in Indian country, and no one has been better able to exemplify that than Diane."