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New England College School of  
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## Profiles of Our Institutional Members: Western New England College School of Law

The beautiful “Pioneer Valley” is the home of Western New England College School of Law. The area covers the Connecticut River valley and includes the city of Springfield, Massachusetts, where the campus is located. Also called “New England’s Knowledge Corridor,” the valley is home to 35 colleges and universities, with over 150,000 students living there.

Western New England College and its law school were founded in 1919 as the Springfield Division of Northeastern College. This institution was originally established to offer part-time education for adult students in law, business, and accounting. When the college received an autonomous charter in 1951, the School of Law was incorporated within it, and the name was changed to Western New England College. The name will change again on July 1 of this year when the college becomes Western New England University.

The college is a private and independent institution with an attractive campus on 215 acres in residential Springfield. The School of Law is the only ABA-accredited law school in Massachusetts outside greater



*The Blake Law Center.*

Boston. The school describes its location as “pastoral,” yet it’s situated for easy job hunting in New York City, Boston, Hartford, Albany, or Provi-

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## The President’s Column: Scribes Presidents: Years of Leadership

by Steven Smith, California Western School of Law

In the last few days of 2010, Scribes and legal education suffered a great loss with the passing of our former president, E. Donald Shapiro. It was a great loss to me personally because Don was the major mentor in my life—he introduced me to Scribes, for example. Scribes meant a lot to Don Shapiro. He recounted his time on the Board of Directors and as president with fondness. And he displayed the memento from the Scribes board celebrating his service and presidency in a special place of honor.

Don was president of Scribes in 1981–1982. He was also a fine writer. The second edition of *Law, Medicine and Forensic Science* that he wrote with Bill Curran was a masterpiece. It essentially made health law a respected academic discipline. To demonstrate how awful bad writing can be, he included in the book a case with a single, nearly unintelligible sentence that went on for most of a page. His articles were always readable, succinct, and insightful—and frequently fun to read (an unusual feat in health law). Don also contributed a great deal to legal education. He was a premier site evaluator for the ABA and AALS. He also brought to law schools the skills in finance and business that he learned from his service on many corporate boards.

Don Shapiro was one of the many great leaders that Scribes has been fortunate to have over the years.

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The first presidents were Sidney Teiser, Eugene Gerhart (who served a second time over a decade later), and Gibson Witherspoon. Over the years they were followed by such luminaries as Judge Charles Joiner, Paul Wolkin, Judge Edward Re, and Michael Cardozo. The tradition has continued in recent years with Bryan Garner, Gary Spivey, Donald Dunn, Beverly Burlingame, Otto Stockmeyer, and Stuart Shiffman. These lawyers, judges, and professors have given countless hours of dedicated service in the cause of good legal writing and effective leadership. It has often been a thankless job, so on behalf of Scribes members over the last fifty years, “Thank you” for all you have done for our profession.

Otto Stockmeyer, in his article “Scribes After More Than 50 Years—A History” (12 *Scribes Journal of Legal Writing* 1, 17 (2008–2009)), included the list of the Scribes presidents. They are reprinted at the end of this article.

The Board of Directors of Scribes met in March in San Diego. We determined that Scribes is financially solid and successful in many ways. At the same time, there is a sense that we can do more and that we need to reach out to the new members of our profession and consider new means of communication. In addition to the usual business of the annual board meeting (seeing to the finances, reviewing the awards the organization gives, and considering new projects), the board, under the leadership of Darby Dickerson, engaged in a strategic-planning process. Through this process, the board is beginning to chart the course of the organization for the next decade. In the next newsletter, we will report on the results of the planning process. In the meantime, if you have suggestions for the planning process, please let Dean Dickerson or me know your thoughts.

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dence. For recreation, the school is convenient to the Berkshires, the beaches of Cape Cod, or the ski runs of Vermont.

In 2008, the college completed a \$5.5 million building program, expanding and renovating the Blake Law Center. A new 10,000-square-foot wing, a renovated law library, increased social spaces, and technology-based improvements throughout the building have transformed the way law students learn. The law school transforms the way its students live, too, with a 123,000-square-foot gym—the Healthful Living Center—and on-campus housing in single-story apartments.

The school of law has students from more than 20 states and Canada enrolled in full- and part-time JD programs; part-time programs are offered both days and evenings. The school also offers an LL.M. in estate planning and elder law. Joint-degree programs for the JD/MBA and the JD/MSA are offered with Western New England College, the JD/MRP with the University of Massachusetts, and the JD/MSW with Springfield College.

Students can choose from six clinics: Legal Services, Consumer Protection, Criminal Law, Small Business, International Human Rights, and the Real Estate Practicum. The school offers seven concentrations: business, criminal, public interest, real estate, and international and comparative law; estate planning; and gender and sexuality. And the law school offers students well over 100 public interest, government, and judicial externship sites.

Western New England offers six incoming students three-year tuition scholarships and summer stipends as Public Interest Scholars, demonstrating the school’s commitment to public-interest law. Dean Arthur R. Gaudio says, “As an attorney, you can be in a position to help shape society for the good of all—and that can be highly satisfying.” Dean Gaudio also stresses the school’s commitment to small class size the first year: “Our first-year section size is among the smallest in the country to promote collegiality and effective learning.”

Western New England has 38 full-time and 37 adjunct faculty. More than 7,000 alumni practice law in 50 states, Europe, Canada, and Asia. The law school is home to the Law and Business Center for Advancing Entrepreneurship and the Institute for Legislative and Governmental Affairs. It publishes the *Western New England Law Review* twice a



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year. And it’s been a Scribes institutional member since 2000.

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# 2011 Scribes Law-Review Award

by Mary Bowman

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*Remarks by Mary Bowman, Chair of Scribes' Law-Review Award Committee, at the Scribes Law-Review Dinner held March 31, 2011, in conjunction with the National Conference of Law Reviews. The conference was hosted by Thomas Jefferson School of Law.*

Good evening and welcome to the Scribes Law-Review Dinner. My name is Mary Bowman. I am a professor at Seattle University School of Law, and I am also the chair of the Scribes Law-Review Award Committee. I am here to present the 2010 Scribes Law-Review Award.

First, I want to thank tonight's sponsor, Westlaw, the Thomson Reuters online legal research service. They are represented here tonight by Danae Weidemann. Thank you for your generous support of this dinner for many years now.

## **Scribes—the Organization**

Next, I want to tell you about Scribes—The American Society of Legal Writers, which was founded over 50 years ago. Scribes is a national organization of legal writers, and its goals include fostering a community among those who write about the law, and most of all, to promote a clear, succinct, and forceful style in legal writing.



*Professor Mary Bowman, chair of the Law-Review Award Committee, and award recipient Cody Huffaker, a third-year law student at Arizona State University.*

In your conference materials, you received a copy of *The Scribes Journal of Legal Writing*, which contains articles about clear and succinct legal writing in a number of contexts, from law-school courses to client letters to trial litigation documents. The *SJLW* also has an article about the history of Scribes, cowritten by Scribes Past President Otto Stockmeyer, who is here with us tonight.

Our members include judges, lawyers, law professors and deans, legal editors, and law students. Membership in Scribes is open to members of the legal profession (including law students) who have written one book or two articles on legal topics, or who have edited a legal publication. So every law-review editor in this room is eligible for membership.

We even have a special dues category for law students: just \$15 a year. In return, you will receive future issues of *The Scribes Journal of Legal Writing*, you can join one of the many active committees, and you can show your commitment to high-quality legal writing by noting your membership on your résumé. Please go to the Scribes website, [www.scribes.org](http://www.scribes.org), and join.

## **The Scribes Law-Review Award**

As law-review editors, you can also help elevate the quality of legal scholarly writing. Each law review should have received a copy of the Scribes law-review guidelines; they were sent out with the letter soliciting nominations for the Scribes Law-Review Award this year. They offer several recommendations, including avoiding legalese in favor of crisp, lively prose, and avoiding article pages half-filled with footnotes. When you select articles for publication, from external authors as well as student notes and comments, take into account the quality of the writing, not just the subject matter of the article. And see the article in the *Scribes Journal of Legal Writing* about editing; make sure your suggestions really improve the quality of the writing.

Now about this award. It goes to the best student-written law-review note or comment published in the preceding year. This year's award is our 25th annual award. The three-step selection process goes like this.

In Step One, every law journal is invited to submit what it considers its best student note or comment. This year we received 71 submissions.

Step Two: These 71 entries were read by the legal-writing faculty at Thomas Cooley Law School—10 professors with a total of 115 years of teaching experience—who selected the 11 best. The finalists represented a wide range of law reviews, and a diverse array of topics, and they did a terrific job picking 11 great articles.

Step Three: These “bests of the best” entries were reviewed by the Scribes Law-Review Award Committee, which picks the winning article. Other members of this committee include University of California, Davis law professor Richard Wydick, Professor Glen-Peter Ahlers (Barry University), Steven Feldman (legal adviser for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers), and Professor Richard Leiter (University of Nebraska, Lincoln).

### The 2011 Scribes Law-Review Award Winner

Tonight’s recipient of the 2011 Scribes Law-Review Award is Cody Huffaker, for his article *A New Type of Commandeering: The Bypass Clause of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Stimulus Package)*. His article was published in the Fall 2010 issue of the *Arizona State Law Journal*. As you leave tonight, you will receive a reprint of Mr. Huffaker’s article. Many thanks to Joe Christensen, Inc. for providing these reprints.

The topic selection for Mr. Huffaker’s article was very good. It dealt with a current legal issue, in this case the recent stimulus package enacted by Congress. The article focused on an appropriately narrow piece of that act, namely, the provision that allowed state legislatures to accept stimulus funds even if the state governor refused to accept them. Mr. Huffaker analyzed the constitutionality of that provision in light of various lines of caselaw, and he effectively used two different states as examples to make the structural issues less abstract and more clear. The analysis in the article was very good, and the writing was excellent. In short, the article was very well researched and well written.

Mr. Huffaker will graduate from the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University this May.

Scribes takes pleasure in presenting this plaque to him. Additionally, I’m pleased to present a second plaque

to him, this one honoring the *Arizona State Law Journal* for publishing his article.

*Mr. Huffaker’s acceptance remarks can be found on page 6.*

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## New Members

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David Bell\* (Los Angeles, California)  
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Laura Wittern-Keller (Wilmington, North Carolina)

\* Student member.

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## Member News

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On April 15, 2011, The University of Texas School of Law awarded **Thomas M. Susman** its Outstanding Alumnus Award. Tom is the head of the lobbying office for the American Bar Association in Washington, D.C. The award honors a graduate who has made outstanding contributions to both the legal profession and society. Tom received his J.D. degree with high honors from The University of Texas School of Law in 1967. Before joining the ABA in 2008, he was a partner in the Washington office of Ropes & Gray LLP for more than 27 years. And before entering private practice, he served on Capitol Hill for more than 11 years.

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**2011 Scribes Law-Review Award:**  
***A New Type of Commandeering: The Bypass Clause of the American  
Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Stimulus Package)***

by Cody Huffaker

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I'd like to thank Scribes for this award. It's such an honor to receive this award. There are so many well-written, legally significant student articles published each year that it truly is humbling to get this award. It's also an honor to hear from Dean Chemerinsky—the man who basically wrote my Con Law I book, and whose work I cite multiple times in my article.

As every legal writer knows, your first note or comment is a daunting task. It usually takes place during the busiest year of law school—second year—and presents a whole new world of challenges: finding an interesting, relevant topic that *hasn't* been preempted; conducting what starts as foundational research and soon turns into hours spent at the computer making sure you've found everything important, and that everything you have found is actually important; writing the article itself, and going over the words so many times that you begin to wonder whether it actually makes any sense; double-checking your citations to make sure you didn't leave anything out. Fortunately, this arduous process can be very rewarding if you have an interesting topic.

For me, my topic *had* to have something to do with constitutional law. It is by far my favorite subject, and I couldn't really get excited about writing on anything else. Luckily, a perfect topic presented itself—one that for some reason or another had not been addressed by other legal writers.

In February of 2009, President Obama signed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009—better known as the “stimulus package.” Part of the package included money for the states to use to stimulate their own local economies. As is usually the case with federal grants to states, however, these grants came with strings attached. You'll remember from Con Law I that Congress can place conditions on the receipt of federal funds. In fact, it can do things it can't do under its Article I powers because the states voluntarily consent to the conditions.



*Professor Mary Bowman presents the Law-Review Award to Cody Huffaker, a third-year law student at Arizona State University.*

Before the stimulus package was signed, a few state governors were very vocal about their opposition to the package. One such governor was Mark Sanford of South Carolina. He didn't want funds from the stimulus because he didn't want to be bound by the conditions attached. This didn't sit well with some politicians from South Carolina who wanted the funds. One was House member Jim Clyburn. So Rep. Clyburn inserted a very novel, unique provision into the stimulus package. It stated that if a state's governor refused to accept funds under the stimulus, that state's legislature could accept the funds by passing a concurrent resolution.

This raised some flags when I heard about it. The whole idea behind conditions attached to federal funds is that a state voluntarily consents to the conditions. But if Congress is dictating who can consent, that changes the game—especially when state law (as it does in Arizona, for example) makes it clear that *only* the governor can consent to federal grants. Imagine that Jill decides not to form a contract with Jack. So Jack says that Jane can accept on behalf of Jill, and bind Jill to the contract. To me, it was obvious that this “bypass

clause,” as I called it, had some serious constitutional problems.

But the novelty and uniqueness of the bypass clause made it difficult to name the precise constitutional problem. To make a long story short, I came to the conclusion that this bypass clause was a new type of “commandeering.” You’ll remember, again from Con Law I, that the federal government cannot force a state legislature to enact a specific law, nor can it force a state executive to administer a federal policy. Congress can preempt, threaten to preempt, or place conditions on the receipt of federal funds, but it can’t commandeer. Though the bypass clause isn’t really commandeering in the traditional sense, the result is the same. Congress commandeered the acceptance process by dictating which state entity could accept federal funds to manufacture consent to the conditions. The governor, who is empowered to reject the funds, is removed from the scene. When he returns, he is now bound by conditions that he was unwilling to accept and empowered to reject. It seems like a new type of commandeering.

One of my professors at Arizona State University mentioned that federalism—the balance of power between federal and state governments—is one of the most interesting, relevant, and hottest areas of the law right now. Given the various movements we’ve seen across the states to limit federal power, I think she’s right. No matter our political ideology, federalism has become a topic that is in great need of scholarly contributions from legal writers. I feel honored to contribute to this meaningful area, albeit in a very minimal way. Again, thank you so much for this honor, and thank you for your time.

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## Help Scribes Grow

Would you be willing to help promote Scribes? Do you have friends or colleagues who might like to join? Will you be speaking at or attending any program involving legal writing or legal language? We would be happy to send you some of the attractive Scribes brochures to distribute. Just send an e-mail to our executive director, Norman E. Plate: [platen@cooley.edu](mailto:platen@cooley.edu).

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## Pet Peeves

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### Zombie Verbs and Vampire Nouns

by Norman Otto Stockmeyer\*

Have you noticed an increase in the number of offbeat verbs? *Fail* (as in “You *fail* it!”) has been so used among computer gamers for some years. Now the usage has become a mainstream annoyance. It placed third on Lake Superior State University’s 2011 “Banished List” of overused and misused words. (The August 7, 2009, “On Language” column in the *New York Times* traced the origins of the *fail* phenomenon.)

Then there is the noun-turned-verb *podium* (“She hasn’t won an event but has *podiumed* a couple of times”). Worse than *medaled*, *podium* the verb has migrated from Olympic skiers to network commentators, according to the February 4, 2010, “On Language” column.

Linguists call the product of noun-to-verb transitions “denominal verbs.” But giving these lifeless verbs a fancy name does not legitimize their use, in my view. Let’s drive a stake through such zombies before they proliferate.

Recent verb-to-noun transitions are another abomination. Take *spend* (“How much was our *spend* on office supplies last year?”). Also *dine*. Recently SkyMiles Dining told me that I am “only 11 *dines* away from reaching VIP status.”

And on “Wheel of Fortune” host Pat Sajak complimented a contestant on “the most amazing *solve* we’ve ever had” (noted in the January-March 2011 issue of *Spell/Binder*). Is there no end to this irksome trend? Like a vampire, such “verbed nouns” can suck the lifeblood from a sentence.

I plan to *dialogue* about this with my colleagues who teach legal writing. Then maybe I’ll *present* on the topic at the next faculty meeting.

\* Norman Otto Stockmeyer has gone emeritus after more than three decades of teaching at Thomas M. Cooley Law School, with visiting stints at Mercer University and California Western. His SSRN author page is at <http://ssrn.com/author=80303>.

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