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Peggy Cooper Davis, John S.R. Shad Professor of Lawyering and Ethics, won a University 2007 Distinguished Teaching Award. For details, turn to page 35.

devoted time and effort to assisting anti-trust authorities, judges and academics in developing countries as they try to create and implement competition law.”

#### LAW ARTICLE WINS AWARD

The UCLA School of Law and its Williams Institute have bestowed the Dukeminier Award on Sylvia Law '68, Elizabeth K. Dollard Professor of Law, Medicine and Psychiatry, for her article “Who Gets to Interpret the Constitution? The Case of Mayors and Marriage Equality” (*Stanford Journal of Civil Rights & Civil Liberties*, 2007). The award recognizes the best law review articles on issues involving sexual orientation and gender identity. Law's article questioned whether local executive officials have the authority to grant marriage licenses to same-sex couples, based on the officials' understanding of their own state constitutions.

the indignity of caste discrimination, or are unfairly profiled in America's 'war on terror,' there are few who are more deserving of an Access to Justice Award,” says Amardeep Singh, vice president of the organization. “SABANY is proud of Professor Narula's work to ensure that our most vulnerable have access to justice.” Narula also received the 2008 Public Interest Individual Achievement Award from the North American South Asian Bar Association, which represents 25 regional South Asian bar associations in the U.S. and Canada.

In addition, the Thorolf Rafto Foundation for Human Rights awarded its 2007 Rafto Prize to the National Campaign on Dalit Human Rights (NCDHR) for its efforts to fight caste prejudice in India; Narula is a cofounder of the campaign. Rafto Foundation Chairman Arne Liljedahl L ynggård called the NCDHR's struggle

Following a clerkship with Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens, Bagley now is an attorney at the U.S. Department of Justice's civil appellate division.

#### STEVENSON WINS LAW PRIZE

Professor Bryan Stevenson, executive director of the Equal Justice Initiative, an organization that provides legal aid to indigent defendants and prisoners, has received the first annual Katharine and George Alexander Law Prize from Santa Clara University School of Law. The prize recognizes legal professionals who have done significant work to correct injustice and to promote human and civil rights, and includes a \$50,000 award. Selection criteria for the prize include the level of innovation and sustainability of the nominee's implemented programs; courage; self-sacrifice; the number of beneficiaries of the nominee's efforts, and other indications



Fox



Law



Merry



Narula



Revesz



Stevenson

#### MERRY'S BODY OF WORK LAUDED

Professor Sally Merry, who holds a joint appointment to the Law School's Institute for Law and Society and NYU's Department of Anthropology, was awarded the 2007 Harry J. Kalven, Jr. Prize by the Law and Society Association, a multinational, interdisciplinary group of scholars. The Kalven Prize recognizes “empirical scholarship that has contributed most effectively to the advancement of research in law and society.” The Law and Society Association praised Merry's “substantial, original and consistently high quality [work]....While intellectually rigorous, her scholarship is also socially meaningful and policy-relevant. In addressing the question of human rights and violence against women in particular, Merry demonstrates that the best of scholarship need not abandon a commitment to social justice.”

#### JUSTICE AWARD FOR NARULA

Smita Narula, associate professor of clinical law, received the 2007 Access to Justice Award from the South Asian Bar Association of New York (SABANY) for her work on behalf of South Asians. “Whether it's Professor Narula's work for those who suffer

“instrumental in mobilizing international human rights organizations to combat caste-based discrimination.”

#### REVESZ ARTICLE SINGLED OUT

Dean Richard Revesz and Nicholas Bagley '05 were honored with the Award for Scholarship in Administrative Law from the American Bar Association's Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice for their article, “Centralized Oversight of the Regulatory State,” published in the *Columbia Law Review* in 2006. In the article, Revesz and Bagley examine the task of centralized review of agency rulemakings that is assigned to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and question the OMB's assumption that agencies have an inherent tendency to overregulate, which results in an antiregulatory bias on the part of the OMB. Daniel Troy, the award committee chair, said in the citation that “the article's analysis is sophisticated, subtle, open-minded, and careful, with an impressive mix of the theoretical and the practical,” and that Revesz and Bagley “make a compelling case” and “provide a valuable guide for improvement.” Revesz previously won the award in 1993.

of the nominee's commitment to international human rights and social justice. Dean Donald J. Polden called Stevenson “an outstanding lawyer who has made a great and positive difference in the lives of persons unjustly accused of crimes.”

#### KOFLER BOOK WINS TAX AWARD

Acting Assistant Professor Georg Kofler was awarded the 2007 Mitchell B. Carroll Prize by the International Fiscal Association for his book. *Doppelbesteuerungsabkommen und Europäisches Gemeinschaftsrecht (Double Taxation Conventions and European Community Law)* explores the complicated relationship between bilateral tax treaties and supranational European law, touching on a wide range of issues such as tax treaty benefits for nonresidents; exemption of foreign losses; limits to exit taxation, and the legal status of tax treaties between European Union member states and between member states and non-European countries. Hugh J. Ault, professor at Boston College Law School and chair of the Mitchell B. Carroll Prize Jury, praised Kofler's work, saying it “will provide an important roadmap for those involved in the judicial and legislative developments in the field.” □