Welcome to the second edition of the Legal Studies Newsletter! I hope you enjoy reading this publication and find the information useful. It is important to me and to our School to communicate with you and to keep you informed. Do not forget that if you have questions about the School itself, please address them to asklegalstudies@kaplan.edu. Please understand that this e-mail forum is not designed for specific complaints or personal matters. Such issues should be addressed through the standard process of contacting your professor and then your academic advisor.

The new year will be an exciting one for our School. We are engaging in a review and renewal of our curriculum to add more interactive and interesting material to the courses. We are also looking at ways to enhance your acquisition of practical paralegal skills. We plan to launch at least one and perhaps more new concentrations (details in the next newsletter). In the late January term, we will be launching the internship program (PA280). Work is also underway to study the feasibility of developing a graduate degree in Legal Studies.

For those of you completing your Associate's degree, I would urge you to consider continuing on for your bachelor's degree. We live in a world of credentials. We offer two degrees, the Bachelor's in Paralegal Studies and the new Bachelors in Legal Studies. The latter is designed to prepare you for graduate education or law school. The Associate's degree is very important and for those of you completing that degree, you have my heartfelt congratulations. Having the Bachelor's degree gives you a secondary, higher-level credential, which means further career opportunities and success. Every credential is important. Please talk with your academic advisor about our 2+2 program so that you can earn you bachelor's degree. If you are finishing your Bachelor's degree, please consider a KU Master's degree. The University has an excellent graduate program in criminal justice and an MBA degree, each of which would fit nicely with the Legal Studies degree you are completing.

Finally, I want to urge everyone to work hard to complete their program. I understand how hard it is to deal with family, work and school. My wife and I earned nearly all of our education while working full-time and raising a family. It is hard and you are to be congratulated for pursuing your education while working. Completion of your program means a pathway to success and greater rewards. That is well proven by numerous publications and studies, including data from the federal government. Hang in there and finish so that you can be a success story for you and for your family!

The naming of the newsletter contest is still going on and we will announce the results in the next newsletter.

Please enjoy reading this issue of the Newsletter, and thank you for being a part of the Legal Studies Community.

William I. Weston, Dean
School of Legal Studies
**What is Kappa Lambda (KL)?**

Kappa Lambda is the School of Legal Studies’ Honor Society. KL is focused on promoting academic excellence, with an emphasis on legal writing and practical skill development for the Paralegal professional.

*What are the benefits of Kappa Lambda Membership?*
- Recognition of academic excellence
- Service and leadership opportunities to enhance your resume and scholastic life
- Participation with Journal or Newsletter
- Leading legal professionals as guest speakers
- Quarterly peer tutoring

*How do I join Kappa Lambda?*
You must meet all three of the following requirements:

1) Enrolled and with **good standing** in Kaplan University’s Legal Studies Program;

2) Successful completion of **20 credits** of Paralegal course requirements necessary to complete a Paralegal program (AS, BS, or Certificate) at KU. Transfer credits from another institution do not count towards the 20 credits needed in Paralegal coursework for Kaplan University.

3) Students must demonstrate **superior academic performance**, defined as having a minimum overall GPA of 3.3 in all courses attempted.

For more information, please contact Brooke Galati at bgalati@kaplan.edu. The KL application is also provided at the end of this newsletter.

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**Important Contacts:**
For questions, concerns, or suggestions:
AskLegalStudies@kaplan.edu

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**New Students**
The School of Legal Studies welcomes our new students!

- For the August term, 486 freshman joined our School.
- September had a record enrollment with 362 students.
- Another 499 students joined us for the October term.

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**Textbook Questions?**

Having trouble with your textbooks? Wondering if your classes have eBooks?

We have a dedicated student support staff with extended hours that can help you with any kind of textbook questions.

Call 866-522-7747, option 1, then option 3 Between the hours of:
- Monday-Thursday 7am to 11pm,
- Friday 7am to 8pm, and
- Saturday 9am to 6pm

*All times noted are Central Standard Time*
Tena Sullivan

Tena Sullivan came to Kaplan University in June 2006 to work on her Associates degree in Paralegal Studies. Since beginning her studies, she has faced several obstacles that have come between her and her education. In her first two terms, Tena struggled with unemployment, eviction, and two computer crashes. Despite all of these struggles, Tena was able to complete both terms successfully.

Tena has support from her boyfriend, also a Kaplan student. “We do our homework together, and it’s great!” she says. Tena credits her Academic Advisor, Kim Richardson, for helping her through the first few terms. Tena says, “I do have my academic advisor to thank for a lot of things, because through all this, she has stuck beside me through it all and has been my shoulder to cry on and the person I could talk to.” Tena hopes that her future terms will be even more successful and plans to “come out with flying colors” in November.

Ronald Hefter Sr.

In this Legal Studies newsletter, we salute student Ronald Hefter Sr. and his exemplary merits as not only a student, but as a father, partner, grandfather, bass fisherman, Army Veteran, and Crime Scene Investigator.

Ronald Hefter Sr. has recently completed his Associates Degree in Paralegal Studies at Kaplan University, graduating Magna Cum Laude, and is currently pursuing his Bachelor’s Degree in Legal Studies with KU.

Ronald is the proud father of four children, who range from the ages of 26 to 34 years old. He is also the grandfather to six grandchildren, who are between the ages of one and six years old. He currently resides in Stevens Point, Wisconsin with his significant other.

Ronald served in the United States Army for eight years as a Green Beret, Special Forces Unit, serving two tours in VietNam as well as other parts of the world. After discharging from the Army active duty, he joined the U. S. Army Reserves for 20 years. Ronald has also worked in the field of Criminal Justice, performing such roles as a Crime Scene Investigator, as well as an Investigator for the District Attorney’s Office. After many years of working for someone else, Ronald decided to open his own Private Investigation Office in Wisconsin. Then, after being active in his business for 10 years, Ronald was injured, leaving him 90% disabled. Despite the setback of his injury, Ronald decided to fish on the Amateur Bass Pro Circuit for six years!

Ronald has been an excellent influence and source of encouragement for other students in Kappa Lambda’s Peer Tutoring program. He has always been more than dedicated to helping out his fellow students when they are in need. Besides being part of Kappa Lambda, Ronald also participates in Kaplan’s Paralegal Club.

Ronald’s upcoming goals are to finish up his baccalaureate degree and move on to Concord Law School to earn his Juris Doctorate.

Let’s all give Ronald and Tena a round of applause and congratulations on a job well done!!!
Love it or hate it, the film “Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit of Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan” has stirred up more than film reviews in the entertainment industry. Apparently, the movie has stirred up a few potential lawsuits as well. According to an article featured on MSN, Woman in 'Borat' Seeks Investigation, Cindy Streit, the owner of Etiquette Training Services has filed a complaint with California’s Attorney General Bill Lockyer. Her request for an investigation is based on a violation of the California Unfair Trade Practices Act.

What Happened...
Cindy Streit alleges that she was contacted by Springland Films (the film company for the movie) to teach an etiquette session, which she obliged. Prior to the session, Cindy Streit signed written agreements stating that a “movie was being filmed and that the movie could be distributed worldwide.” She was then compensated a second time several weeks after the filming completed after signing additional release forms. By requesting an investigation (although she is not opposed to a lawsuit), Streit wants movie studios to “think twice before using other ordinary citizens for reality movies” (during an etiquette session in one scene of the movie, Borat hands Cindy Streit a plastic bag containing feces). The studio spokesperson’s position is “Her fee was negotiated and paid.” The film company also faces lawsuits filed by two fraternity members.

Entertainment and the Law Go Hand In Hand...
The entertainment industry faces situations similar to these almost every time they produce a film. Legal agreements and contracts must be prepared. Releases must be signed and compensation given for services and images provided. Like any other industry, the entertainment industry utilizes lawyers and paralegals alike to formalize agreements between 2 parties.

Want To Work In Entertainment Law?
Want to work on the legal side of this exciting industry? The first step, locate lawyers that specialize in entertainment law by “Googling” the term “entertainment law lawyers” or something similar. Create a list of lawyers in your area to refer to later. Second, read magazines highlighting the movie industry and which movies are coming out such as People, Entertainment Weekly, and Premiere magazine. These magazines will also identify movies facing any potential lawsuits. Finding these magazines is as easy as taking a trip to your local news stand, library or ordering them on line. One site for ordering these magazines on-line is Actorpoint.com but there are other websites out there. Also log on to MSN.com to read any articles featured in their Movie News section. Third, set up informational interviews with the list of entertainment lawyers compiled earlier to ask how to break into the entertainment law field. Informational interviews are great for discovering the best approach to your job search. Finally, combine the tips from your informational interviews and the information learned from reading magazines about upcoming movies and/or lawsuits. Research and learn about any legal terms or areas of dispute between the parties so that you will have a firm understanding of the issues and what is at stake. Also identify how your background would help the company and the case. Start approaching the firms and companies indicated in the articles for employment. To “get your foot in the door” try offering to work as a temporary/contract employee on the case or pending case in question. So if you’ve always wondered how to fuse your love of movies and law together – here’s your chance!!
Application for Membership to Kappa Lambda (ΚΛ)
Honor Society in Paralegal Studies

Name: ___________________________ First   _______ MI _______ Last

Mailing Address: ___________________________ City ___________________________ State _______ Zip

Telephone: ___________________________ Home ___________________________ Work ___________________________ Cell

Email: ___________________________ Kaplan Username: ___________________________

Present Place of Employment:

Name: ___________________________

Address: ___________________________ City ___________________________ State _______ Zip

Phone: ___________________________

Job Title: ___________________________

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Fees Method of Payment

- □ Induction: $15.00 Check# _______ Money Order Seq.# _______
- □ Renewal: $10.00 Check# _______ Money Order Seq.# _______

Please make checks payable to Kaplan University Honor Society

Please provide a brief biographical sketch and narrative outlining the individual’s qualification for Honorary Membership in Kappa Lambda.

Please attach a copy of the nominee’s vitae/resume.

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The Kappa Lambda Honor Society in Paralegal Studies will offer members the opportunity to engage in various scholarly activities through participation in the following entities:

- **Mandatory Requirement**
  - **Peer Tutoring:** Student will offer peer tutoring in select paralegal classes to the larger student body of the School of Paralegal Studies.

- **Optional Activities**
  - **Journal:** Academic papers selected by Kaplan University faculty members using a competitive screening process. *(If interested in this activity, please include a two- to five-page writing sample with application.)*
  - **Newsletter:** Outlet to submit journalistic pieces geared toward legal skills development.

- **Competitive Screening**

  Description of the “Kaplan Legal Scholar” (for Honor Society application):

  The “Kaplan Legal Scholar” is an academic paralegal journal that will be produced by the Editorial Board of the Kaplan University Paralegal Honor Society. The Editorial Board will be chosen by way of an extensive review process, based on *writing samples submitted by applicants*. All full-time paralegal faculty members will participate in choosing the Editorial Board by reviewing and evaluating the submitted writing samples. Each issue of the “Kaplan Legal Scholar” will consist of three main sections: Recent Case Law Summaries, Recent Legislative Summaries, and Law Articles. The first issue of the journal is planned for 2006, and there will be two issues per year.

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Application and membership fee should be mailed to:

Kaplan University
Attention: Brooke Galati
550 W Van Buren Suite 700
Chicago, IL 60607-3827