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## FROM THE DEAN

Congratulations on your decision to seek legal education. You are about to embark upon a remarkable journey filled with high ideals, excitement, and thoughtful consideration of some of the toughest issues we face today in society. You will study some of the most remarkable men and women our country has produced, people such as Louis Brandeis, Sandra Day O'Connor, Thurgood Marshall, John Marshall Harlan, and other giants of our profession.

The Marshall-Wythe School of Law attracts students from throughout the United States who possess great ability, vision, and character. Our faculty is a nationally known group of individuals active in scholarship, efforts at legal reform, and innovative classroom instruction. It is a group of men and women dedicated to the task of guiding students in the shared pursuit of new knowledge. The learning environment for both students and faculty extends well beyond the classroom. Several student-edited scholarly journals are published by our students. Our student-run appellate advocacy project has won two national moot court competitions in recent years and our two-year skills program has achieved national acclaim.

Law is an academic discipline but it is also a learned and honored profession. The goals of our legal system are justice and order. While lawyers alone are not responsible for these goals, we more than others assume an obligation to live within the rule of law in pursuit of justice. As lawyers, we function in many capacities—as counselors, as advocates, as educators, and as friends. Lawyers are women and men with unique skills of honesty, character, and insight. The goal of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law is to produce individuals who will lead a life in law as wise counselors, learned advocates, and dedicated and honorable human beings.

We have attempted in this brochure to describe the people and programs of this fine institution, the College of William and Mary. This year, William and Mary is celebrating its 300th anniversary, a milestone reached by only one other institution of higher education in America. William and Mary was the first to offer instruction in law within a university setting. University-based legal education at the College of William and Mary, first envisioned by Thomas Jefferson and brought to life by George Wythe, warrants your serious consideration. We invite you to visit our campus, meet with our faculty and students, and discuss your interests in legal education with our admissions professionals.

Sincerely,



Paul Marcus  
Acting Dean and  
Haynes Professor of Law



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