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WILLIAMSBURG -- Oxford University has given two stained glass windows to the College of William and Mary as commemoratives the bicentennial next year of the beginning of the nation's oldest college of law.

The early birthday gift to the College by Mary School-Wynne's Law School will be an Oxford gift to Christopher Newport. For many years the windows were at All Souls College.

Backשות was the first woman in the Virginia bar to be admitted to the Virginia bar of law at Oxford that became Thomas Jefferson's model for the chair of "law and justice," established William and Mary law school in 1779.

The windows, created by a London studio, were originally part of a series of panels depicting famous alumni of All Souls College. In 1939, on the eve of World War II, they were removed to protect them from possible bomb damage.

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