UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF LAW



GENERAL PROFILE

of the

ENTERING CLASS

SEPTEMBER 1997

FORWARD

The following general information on the 1997 entering class has been prepared to supplement admission materials assembled prior to the matriculation of the class. More complete information concerning the Law School may be obtained from the University of Virginia School of Law publication "Information/Application 1997-98."

PROFILE OF THE 1997 ENTERING CLASS

The 362 students who entered the first year of law study at the University of Virginia in August 1997 were selected from a total of 3,091 applicants from 500 different colleges and universities, 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and 9 foreign countries. A total of 845 Virginia residents applied for admission compared with 2,246 nonresident applicants. The nonresident students in the class come from 40 different states and the District of Columbia. There are 141 women students and 51 minority students among the 292 students (81%) who identified their ethnicity.

Although widely different approaches to college grading often serve to render comparative statements about undergraduate records misleading, it is significant that most of the students in this fall's entering class ranked in the upper 20 percent of their graduating class. The median grade-point average for the entering class is 3.64 on a 4.0 scale. The median LSAT performance is 166 (ninety-fifth percentile). Many of these students also have completed advanced degree work. The average age is 24.

UNDERGRADUATE SCHOOLS REPRESENTED

| University of Virginia | 51 | Florida State University | 3 |
|-------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|---|
| Duke University | 18 | Kenyon College | 3 |
| Princeton University | 14 | Univ. of California-Los Angeles | 3 |
| Georgetown University | 14 | Smith College | 3 |
| College of William & Mary | 12 | Emory University | 3 |
| Yale University | 11 | Swarthmore College | 2 |
| Harvard-Radcliffe | 11 | Rutgers UnivNew Brunswick | 2 |
| North Carolina-Chapel Hill | 7 | College of Holy Cross | 2 |
| Johns Hopkins University | 7 | Furman University | 2 |
| Washington & Lee University | 6 | Davidson College | 2 |
| American University | 6 | Rice University | 2 |
| James Madison University | 6 | Miami University Oxford | 2 |
| University of Notre Dame | 5 | Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison | 2 |
| Dartmouth College | 5 | Indiana University-Bloomington | 2 |
| Stanford University | 5 | Univ. Illinois-Urbana Champaign | 2 |
| Univ. Of Michigan-Ann Arbor | 5 | US Military Academy | 2 |
| University of Georgia | 5 | University of Southern California | 2 |
| Cornell University | 5 | University of Alabama-Tuscaloosa | 2 |
| Vanderbilt University | 5 | Middlebury College | 2 |
| Northwestern University | 4 | University of Missouri-Columbia | 2 |
| University of Pennsylvania | 4 | University of Nebraska-Lincoln | 2 |
| Univ. of California-Berkeley | 4 | University of Washington | 2 |
| University of Texas-Austin | 4 | University of California-Davis | 2 |
| Columbia Univ. Columbia Coll. | 3 | Williams College | 2 |
| Mary Washington College | 3 | University of Utah | 2 |
| University of Richmond | 3 | Wake Forest University | 2 |
| Univ. Maryland-College Park | 3 | Virginia Polytechnic Institute | 2 |
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Represented by one student in the class were Allegheny College, Amherst College, Andrews University, Bard College, Baylor University, Berry College, Boston College, Brandeis University, Brigham Young University, Brown University, Bryn Mawr College, Bucknell University, Carleton College, Centre College, Claremont McKenna College, Clemson University, Colgate University, Creighton University, Denison University, Duquesne University, East Carolina University, Eastern Kentucky University, Eastern Mennonite University, Franklin and Marshall College, George Mason University, George Washington University, Georgia Institute Technology, Gordon College, Hampden-Sydney College, Haverford College, Hollins College, Howard University, Iowa State University, Kansas State University, King College, Lehigh University, Macalester College, Mary Baldwin College, Nyack College, Oakwood College, Occidental College, Ohio Wesleyan University, Oklahoma State University, Pennsylvania State University, Seattle Pacific University, Southern Methodist University, St. John's College, Stetson University, SUNY- Buffalo, Syracuse University, Texas Christian University, Tufts University, University of Arizona, University of Arkansas-Fayetteville, University of California- San Diego, University of Central Florida, University of Chicago, University of Cincinnati, University of Delaware, University of Kansas, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, University of Mississippi, University of New Hampshire-Durham, University of Rochester, University of South Carolina-Columbia, University of South Florida, United States Naval Academy, Utah State University, Vassar College, Villanova University, Virginia Wesleyan College, Washington University, Wesleyan University, Willamette University, Wittenberg University

STATES REPRESENTED

| Alaska | 1 | North Carolina | 4 |
|----------------------|----|----------------|-----|
| Alabama | 6 | Nebraska | 2 |
| Arizona | 1 | New Hampshire | 1 |
| California | 17 | New Jersey | 9 |
| Connecticut | 4 | New Mexico | 1 |
| District of Columbia | 2 | New York | 13 |
| Florida | 8 | Ohio | 14 |
| Georgia | 10 | Oklahoma | 1 |
| Hawaii | 1 | Oregon | 3 |
| Illinois | 7 | Pennsylvania | 8 |
| Indiana | 3 | Rhode Island | 1 |
| Kansas | 4 | South Carolina | 5 |
| Kentucky | 3 | South Dakota | 1 |
| Louisiana | 3 | Tennessee | 2 |
| Massachusetts | 4 | Texas | 10 |
| Maryland | 12 | Virginia | 176 |
| Michigan | 2 | Washington | 4 |
| Minnesota | 5 | Wisconsin | 3 |
| Missouri | 5 | West Virginia | 2 |
| Mississippi | 2 | Wyoming | 1 |
| Montana | 1 | | |

TOTAL: 362