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Senator Judd Gregg

Sen. Judd Gregg serves as chairman of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee and the chairman of the Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Subcommittee on the Appropriations Committee. He is also a member of the Interior, Defense, Labor-Health-Education, and Foreign Operations subcommittees and the Budget Committee.

Sen. Gregg's efforts on these committees have greatly impacted the national debate on such vital issues as the federal budget, education, international affairs, anti-crime efforts, Social Security, and health care. Sen. Gregg has long been committed to improving the educational system in our country through greater accountability and expanded educational opportunities for all students, particularly those most in need. He was one of four members of Congress to negotiate and secure passage of H.R. 1, The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

Sen. Gregg has the unique honor of being the first elected official in New Hampshire history to serve the state in each of the following capacities: two terms as United States senator, 1993-present; two terms as governor of New Hampshire, 1989-1993; four terms as United States representative for New Hampshire's Second Congressional District, 1981-1989; and one term as executive councilor for New Hampshire's District 5, 1979-1981.

A New Hampshire native, Sen. Gregg was born in Nashua on February 14, 1947. He was educated in Nashua public schools and Phillips Exeter Academy, graduating in 1965. He was awarded an AB from Columbia University in 1969.

Sen. Gregg received his JD in 1972 from Boston University Law School and his LL.M. in tax law in 1975. Upon graduating from law school, he returned to Nashua and became a partner in the law firm of Sullivan, Gregg and Horton. He is married to Kathleen MacLellan Gregg. They have two daughters, Molly and Sarah, and a son, Joshua. Sen. and Mrs. Gregg are residents of Rye, NH.

Dr. Robert H. Rines

A prolific inventor and musical composer, Dr. Rines is an accomplished international patent attorney and professor of law. A major supporter of inventors and defender of inventor's rights, Dr. Rines has assisted hundreds of inventors over the last 50 years. His patents now number more than 100, primarily for electronic apparatus to improve the resolution of radar and sonar scanning. The scanning systems used to locate the wrecks of the Titanic and the Bismarck were dependent on Dr. Rines' prototypes.

Born in 1922 in Boston, MA, Dr. Rines earned a BS in physics in 1942 from MIT where he has taught since 1963. He joined the US Army Signal Corps during World War II as a radar officer, serving in both Europe and the Pacific, and invented the modulation technique essential in building the Army's then top-secret Microwave Early Warning System. After the War, Dr. Rines worked as an examiner in the U. S. Patent Office while earning his law degree from Georgetown University in 1947, and later joined his father's law practice in Boston. He completed his PhD thesis at Chiao Tung University, Taiwan in 1972.

In 1963, Dr. Rines founded the Academy of Applied Science, a New Hampshire-based, private, nonprofit organization dedicated to the promotion of science and technology education. In 1973, he founded Franklin Pierce Law Center. In 1994, Dr. Rines was inducted into the National Inventors Hall of Fame. He has used his advanced scanning technology in search of Scotland's Loch Ness monster, first in the early 1970's and again in 1997.

Dr. Rines, who studied and played the violin at the young age of four, began his musical performance career at the age of eight, playing a violin duet with Albert Einstein at a summer camp in Maine. While in high school, Dr. Rines created arrangements for his band, *The Six Aces of Rhythm*, and was invited to attend composition classes at Harvard University.

While attending MIT, he composed a musical suite, entitled *Life at MIT*, that was performed in 1999 as a new ballet, entitled *Bob's Dream*, at New York's Lincoln Center. He has composed scores for more than 10 Broadway and off-Broadway shows, including *Blasts and Bravos*, a play on the life of H.E. Menkin, and Strindberg's *Creditors*. Dr. Rines' music for the television and later Broadway play, *Hiz Honor the Mayor*, earned him the sharing of an Emmy in 1987.

In addition to his current teaching duties at MIT, Dr. Rines is still inventing and composing. One of his most recent patents (1999), shared with a team from the Academy of Applied Science, is for an internet-based, real-time distance learning system and the 2003 movie *Irish Eyes* boasts his *Joanne's Theme*.

The Honorable Bryan Harris In Memoriam

The Honorable Bryan Harris, trustee, professor and long-time friend of Pierce Law, died Friday, February 27, 2004 after a brief illness.

Professor Harris was born on January 15, 1928. He was educated at Jesus College, Oxford and Lincoln's Inn, London. He served as a captain in the British Army from 1949-1952.

From 1973-1983, Professor Harris held several positions with the Commission of the European Communities, Brussels, including head of the Intellectual Property Division and head of the EEC delegation to the Diplomatic Conference on the Revision of the Paris Convention, with rank of ambassador accredited to the United Nations. He was also a member of the EEC teams participating in high-level talks with Canada, Japan and the European Free Trade Association. He initiated the Commission's Green Paper on Copyright.

Professor Harris taught European Union law in Pierce Law's intellectual property program. He also served as a consultant to commercial and professional firms on European Union laws and policies, and as chair of the Legal Research Committee of the Academy of Applied Science, Concord, NH.

A noted author and lecturer, Professor Harris recently published *Intellectual Property Law in the European Union*, 4th Edition, Franklin Pierce Law Center, 2002. He lectured frequently at the Law Society (London), the London School of Economics, the Max Planck Institute and the University of Grenoble (France).

As Professor William O. Hennessey recently and eloquently concluded, "Professor Bryan Harris was a warm, erudite, and engaged member of the Pierce Law intellectual property faculty community for more than two decades. During the many years of his participation in our academic deliberations and in his teaching at the Law Center, Professor Harris brought wit, humor, and élan to his explanations to our Pierce Law students about the vagaries of international cooperation, and additionally, a good deal of common sense counsel to our institutional direction. We will miss his candor, his kindness, his humanity, and his 'incapturable Britishness.' Our debt of gratitude to him is immeasurable."

Historical Notes

Commencements in America are as old as the first one held by Harvard University in about 1640. These early ceremonies were patterned after the English ones of Oxford and Cambridge. Since then American colleges and universities have added their own trappings, in many cases making the occasion far more festive.

Here in Concord, New Hampshire, in the bicentennial year of 1976, Franklin Pierce Law Center held its first commencement as a graduate adjunct of Franklin Pierce College. At the wish of the graduates the exercises were held in the rural setting of the Law Center's Mountain Road location, where they studied the past three years. In January of 1977 the Law Center moved to its permanent home adjacent to White Park near downtown Concord. At this, the twenty-ninth commencement, the Law Center is granting its degrees for the twenty-eighth time as an independent educational institution. We are guests in the park today through the hospitality and cooperation of the city of Concord.

The caps, gowns and hoods of those in the procession represent a tradition of academic dress which began in the 12th century when the stone buildings which housed medieval universities were not known for warmth. The gowns are an adaptation of clerical garb.

A scholar's academic hood is more than elegant and colorful attire; it denotes degree, field and alma mater. The band of velvet circling the outer edge of the hood varies in width according to the highest degree attained—narrow for the bachelor's degree, medium for the master's, and broad for the doctorate. The color represents the field of scholarship—arts and letters, white; engineering, orange; medicine, kelly green; science, gold; philosophy, blue; law, purple, etc. The hood is lined with the colors of the institution attended by the wearer. A Franklin Pierce Law Center hood, for example, is lined in crimson crossed by a broad band of silver gray.