Memorandum

To: Washington and Lee University Law Alumni

From: Elizabeth Outland Branner,
Assistant Director of Law School Relations

Re: W&L Group Admission to the U.S. Supreme Court

Date: January 9, 2006

Washington and Lee University School of Law will sponsor a small group admission of fifteen W&L alumni to the Bar of the United States Supreme Court on Tuesday, April 18, 2006.

The W&L group will gather on Tuesday, April 18 at the Supreme Court building at approximately 8 a.m. for a continental breakfast. The swearing-in will follow at 10 a.m. The Court allows each admittee to bring one guest to the ceremony. Children under the age of six are not permitted by the Court.

After the admission, the group will be able to remain in the Courtroom to hear the day's oral arguments. Immediately following the session, a representative of the Supreme Court Historical Society will provide a short lecture on the history of the Court and lead a tour of the building for those who are interested.

To participate in the group of 15 admittees, you must complete the Bar of the Supreme Court admission form (both sides), including the signatures of two sponsors who know you personally, and acquire and provide an original certificate of good standing from the highest state court of a state in which you have practiced for at least three years. Return these along with a check for $100 (made payable to Supreme Court of the United States) to Elizabeth Outland Branner, Washington and Lee University School of Law, Sydney Lewis Hall #517, 204 West Washington Street, Lexington, VA 24450-2116. We will then submit the forms to the Supreme Court for review and approval. You can access the Bar of the Supreme Court admission form and instructions online at www.supremecourtus.gov/bar/baradmissions.html. You may also contact Elizabeth for a form at 540-458-8191 or brannere@wlu.edu.

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For those of you coming to Washington from distant states, we can assist you with hotel accommodations close to the Supreme Court. We have also planned a dinner on Monday night, April 17 for all participants and their guests, local members of the Law Council and various faculty and staff members from the Law School. Details about the hotel and the dinner will be provided as we receive your admission packages.

Because the group can include only the first 15 people who return completed applications (completed form with signatures of two sponsors, state certificate of good standing, $100 check) to Elizabeth, please begin working on your application as soon as possible. Applications must be submitted to Elizabeth no later than **Wednesday, March 1, 2006**. Please include your e-mail address with your application.

It would be helpful for planning purposes if you would let Elizabeth know that you are interested in participating in this unique event. Please feel free to contact Elizabeth at 540-458-8191 or brannere@wlu.edu if you have questions. We hope to see you in April.