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Honored at the Taiwan conference were (from left) UW Law School Professor Charles Irish; Ching Chang Yen, Chairman of the Fuhwa Financial Holding Company and former Taiwanese Representative to the WTO; and UW Law School Dean Kenneth B. Davis, Jr.

## Law School Gathers Global Investors for Taiwan Conference

The Law School's new Wisconsin International Corporate Governance Initiative (WICGI), which is dedicated to improving the quality of corporate governance internationally, especially in emerging markets, made its debut in Taiwan this spring. The WICGI conference brought international investors and top-level Taiwanese government and business leaders together to share information and suggestions regarding the regulatory, business, corporate governance, and cultural factors

affecting access to international capital for Taiwanese companies.

Representing the UW Law School were Dean Kenneth B. Davis, Jr.; Professor Charles Irish, Director of the East Asian Legal Studies Center at the Law School; and attorney Keith Johnson '78, WICGI Program Director, who also teaches at the Law School as an adjunct professor and is of counsel with Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren.

Davis, Irish, and Johnson returned from the conference enthusiastic about the venture.

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## Charo, Ossorio Named to National Stem Cell Advisory Committee

Professors R. Alta Charo and Pilar N. Ossorio, two University of Wisconsin Law School professors who are nationally prominent in the field of bioethics, have been appointed to the Human Embryonic Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee, a new national committee to monitor and revise voluntary guidelines on the conduct of human embryonic stem cell research. Charo will also serve as co-chair of the committee.

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The committee was appointed by the National Academies, the nation's most prestigious scientific organization. The work follows on an earlier effort, for which Charo was a guiding force and committee member, to draft the first set of national guidelines for the ethical conduct in the politically controversial field of embryonic stem cell research. Those guidelines have now

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William Rosenbaum '50



Arthur J. Harrington



Greg Scallon



Sandy Swartzberg

### 1940s

**Glenn R. Coates '49** was honored as a 50-year member of the American Law Institute at its 83rd annual meeting in Washington, D.C., in May 2006.

### 1950s

**William Rosenbaum '50**, a retired attorney with Stafford Rosenbaum LLP in Madison, was recently honored by the Rotary Club of Madison as the Senior Services Guest, in recognition of "extraordinary services to the Madison community."

### 1960s

**Terry W. Rose '67**, an attorney with Rose & Rose in Kenosha, Wisconsin, has been elected chairman of the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors. He was recently re-elected to his 11th consecutive term on the board.

**Jeffrey B. Bartell '68** has been appointed to the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents. He is a partner with the Madison office of Quarles & Brady

LLP and focuses on corporate and securities law, insurance regulatory and administrative law, and general business law.

### 1970s

**Robert L. McCracken '74** of Nash, Spindler, Grimstad and McCracken, LLP, has been elected to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Motorists Mutual Insurance Company, Columbus, Ohio.

**John Beard '75**, has joined the Minneapolis law firm of Faegre & Benson to lead the firm's global trademark practice. Beard will be a partner in the Minneapolis office and a senior member of the firm's intellectual property group. Beard is former chair of the trademark practice at Merchant & Gould in Minneapolis.

**Arthur J. Harrington '75**, a shareholder and chair of the environmental and energy law practice group in the Milwaukee office of Godfrey & Kahn, S.C., is the author of *Environmental*

*Liability and the Emerging Art Form of Transference*, a resource for those involved in real estate redevelopment.

**David Leeper '75** has received a Fulbright Award for teaching and research in 2006–07 at the Institute of Peace, Leadership, and Governance, Africa University, Mutare, Zimbabwe.

**Brooke Smith Murphy '75** has been elected president of Crowe & Dunlevy, one of Oklahoma's largest law firms. Murphy is the second female president in the history of the firm, which was founded in 1902.

**Kevin F. Milliken '77** has joined Relles, Long & Milliken LLP, Madison, as a partner, focusing on personal injury, business and other civil litigation, and defense of health care and business professionals and lawyers in disciplinary matters.

**Greg Scallon '77** and **Sandy Swartzberg '77** and have been elected co-chairpersons of the business practice group at DeWitt Ross & Stevens. Scallon is an attorney at the firm's Capitol Square office in Madison; his practice areas include business, mergers and acquisitions, real estate and land use, and estate planning. Swartzberg is an attorney at the firm's Metro Milwaukee office; his practice areas include business, mergers and acquisitions, and estate planning and probate.

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As Davis observed, "It was truly in the Wisconsin law-in-action tradition: a candid discussion of how Taiwan's recent reforms were working in fact, and what additional steps might be realistic and effective in the future."

WICGI is an innovative response to an increasingly globalized economy. The focus of WICGI is to help both emerging and established markets in Asia to develop structures that will help investors feel comfortable investing in them.

Credit for the idea of WICGI

goes to Dean Davis, according to both Johnson and Irish, while Irish himself drew on innumerable relationships he has built up in Asia over the last 20 years. Johnson, who is former Chief Legal Counsel and head of the corporate governance program for the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (the ninth largest public pension fund in the U.S.), was able to bring major international investor representatives to participate in the Taipei conference from the Netherlands, U.S., U.K., Japan, and Hong Kong. The Asian

Corporate Governance Association assisted in organizing the Taipei conference, and financial sponsorship and legwork were contributed by the Fuhwa Cultural and Educational Foundation and the Taiwan Securities Association.

WICGI is currently planning a conference in China in the fall, and will go back to Taiwan by invitation for a follow-up conference, as a result of the success of this year's event.

For more information about WICGI, see [www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc/wicgi/corporate\\_governance](http://www.law.wisc.edu/ealsc/wicgi/corporate_governance).