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**Loyola University Chicago School of Law Receives Gift  
for Endowed Chair in ChildLaw**

**CHICAGO, March 3, 2008** – Loyola University Chicago is pleased to announce that Bernard J. Beazley, a 1950 graduate of Loyola’s School of Law and a Loyola Board of Trustee member, has made a \$2 million gift that will fund a fully endowed chair in children’s law. To honor his wife of 60 years, Kathie, the new chair will be named the A. Kathleen Beazley Chair in ChildLaw.

“We were blessed with a large family and share a mutual interest in assisting children,” says Mr. Beazley. “The idea of endowing a chair in Kathie’s name came to mind very quickly. In addition to our nine children, she was also a surrogate mother to a number of neighborhood kids.”

Mr. Beazley is the former general counsel and senior vice president of Dentsply International, one of the largest manufacturers of professional care dental products in the world. He has served on Loyola’s President’s Advisory Council and is a current member of the Loyola University Chicago Society of the Shield, the University’s planned giving society.

Professor Diane Geraghty, director of Loyola’s Civitas ChildLaw Center, has been named as the first A. Kathleen Beazley Chair in ChildLaw. Geraghty has been a member of the Loyola law faculty since 1977 and developed the nationally ranked ChildLaw Center. She also served as interim dean of the law school and is on the board of directors of Maryville Academy, the largest residential child-care facility in Illinois. Her work also includes leading research and policy efforts on behalf of the MacArthur Foundation and UNICEF.

“Diane is truly a pioneer in the field of children and the law. Her work has been influential not only across the United States, but around the world as well,” says David Yellen, dean of the Loyola School of Law.

Mr. Beazley and his wife Kathleen are some of the largest donors to Loyola’s School of Law, having supported many programs over the years, including donating the largest single gift to the law school with \$5 million to expand the nationally ranked Institute for Health Law and Policy, which now bears his name.

“Bernie is in the process of assisting in the transformation of the law school,” says Yellen. “His endowment of the Institute for Health Law was overwhelming, and now, to make another gift of this magnitude to the Civitas ChildLaw Center is remarkable. It is a very meaningful way to honor his wife and will ensure her name will forever be associated with helping children.”

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### **About Loyola University Chicago School of Law ChildLaw Center and Clinic**

Loyola University Chicago is a nationally recognized leader in legal education and advocacy for children. Established in 1993, Its ChildLaw Center and Clinic offer degree programs for legal and non-legal professionals who seek a specialized understanding of the law in order to better serve the unique needs of children and families. The mission is to promote justice for children through interdisciplinary teaching, scholarship and service, and through the development of a new legal specialty, pediatric law. The Center was developed through the vision and generosity of Jeffrey Jacobs, a Loyola Law School alumnus and the founder of the Civitas Initiative. The Center was the first law school program to integrate a traditional law school curriculum with a specialized three-year course of study in pediatric law for Juris Doctor (JD) candidates.

### **About Loyola University Chicago**

Committed to preparing people to lead extraordinary lives, Loyola University Chicago was founded in 1870 and is the nation's largest Jesuit, Catholic University. Loyola has a total enrollment of more than 15,500 students, which includes nearly 10,000 undergraduates hailing from all 50 states and 82 foreign countries. The University has four campuses: three in the greater Chicago area and one in Rome, Italy. Loyola also serves as the U.S. host university to the Beijing Center for Chinese Studies in Beijing, China. Loyola's ten schools and colleges include arts and sciences, business administration, communication, education, graduate studies, law, medicine, nursing, continuing and professional studies, and social work. Loyola offers 71 undergraduate majors, 71 undergraduate minors, 85 master's degrees, and 31 doctoral degrees. Recognizing Loyola's excellence in education, *U.S. News & World Report* has ranked Loyola consistently among the "top national universities," and named the University a "best value" in its 2008 rankings. For more information, please visit our Web site at [LUC.edu](http://LUC.edu).