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TO THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE CHAPTERS OF PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY:

We, the undersigned members of "The Boardman Club," regularly enrolled as students in the Cornell University College of Law, situated at Ithaca, New York, hereby petition for permission to organize a chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity at the above institution, and to that end we respectfully ask to be initiated into your Fraternity, and that, when initiated, you grant us a charter as a subordinate chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity. We severally agree, if accepted as charter members of a subordinate chapter thereof, to abide by the constitution and rules of the said Fraternity.

Should a charter be granted in accordance with this petition, we desire the name of the chapter to be

WOODROW WILSON CHAPTER of PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY.

In support of this petition we herewith submit certain statements regarding the Cornell University College of Law, and regarding the individual petitioners.

Dated at Ithaca, New York, this 29th day of April, A. D., 1925.

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HISTORY OF THE CORNELL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

No adequate history of this law school could possibly be written without also writing the personal history of Ezra Cornell, whose rugged character was so indelibly imprinted upon the institution which he founded. Space does not here permit a description of his early struggles, of the mechanical genius which brought him into contact with Professor Morse, of the difficulties surmounted in making communication by telegraph possible, and of Mr. Cornell's subsequent financial success, which opened the way for the foundation of the institution which bears his name. Mr. Cornell was no scholar, but he did have some very clear notions of education and its value. In a preliminary talk with Dr. Andrew D. White, who later became the first president of the new institution, Mr. Cornell gave his definition of a university in the words which have since become the motto of the school: "I would found an institution where any person can find instruction in any study." It will be noticed that these words were strikingly like those of the scholarly Dr. Johnson, who had a century earlier referred to the English universities as follows: "I would have the world be thus told: here is a school where everything may be learnt."

When the University first opened its doors in 1868, it was not the well-balanced institution which it now is. New departments have been created from time to time since, as conditions warranted and finances permitted. Though the opportunity for such a school had been recognized for a number of years, it was not until March 9, 1887, that the trustees were finally able to provide for the establishment of a law school. "The beginnings of the school were modest," writes a member of the first graduating class. "There was no formal opening function. The three professors and about 50 law students met in a small room on the fourth floor of Morrill Hall on September 26, 1887, and inaugurated the work of the school. Regular exercises were entered upon at once. The Merritt King law library, numbering about 4,000 volumes, was supplemented by the private collections of the law professors, who generously offered the use of their books to the students. The quarters allotted to the school were inconveniently located, poorly ventilated and

generally ill-adapted for the purpose of the school. Although the physical equipment was not adequate, nevertheless the school began its activities with promise of a useful and prosperous career." In 1884, President White had included in his annual report to the trustees the following statements: "Our position as regards a department of law is most favorable. Our aim should be to keep its instruction strong, its standards high and so to send out, not swarms of hastily prepared pettifoggers, but a fair number of well-trained, large-minded, morally-based *lawyers* in the best sense, who, as they gain experience, may be classed as *jurists* and become a blessing to the country at the bar, on the bench, and in various public bodies."

With this ideal before it, the school went earnestly about the fulfilment of its early promise. Step by step, year by year, improvement came. The curriculum was lengthened to three years. Entrance requirements rose steadily from a most modest minimum to the announced prerequisite of a college degree. The few poor rooms of 1887 in 1893 gave way to the present commodious building (Boardman Hall) named in honor of Judge Douglas Boardman, the first dean of the school. A law journal has been established and has been conducted with distinct success since 1915. The curriculum has been enlarged and enriched by the addition of many new courses. The faculty has grown to seven, and the need of further growth is being considered. A successful summer-school will conduct its third session this year.

The College of Law has never striven for numbers, preferring to seek to attain the high scholastic and professional level prescribed by President White. Its present enrollment, curtailed by rising entrance requirements, is slightly above 200, with promise of normal future growth. The school has always felt free to vary from the policy of other schools, and has never hesitated to emphasize the practical side of legal education. It has always paid large attention to pleading and practice, and for many years devoted more time to these subjects than did most of the other schools. The excellence of the courses in this field of law has become one of the traditions of the school.

While space in this statement does not permit an extended narration of all the events of the thirty-eight years of evolution

through which the Cornell University College of Law has gone, it is believed that the most careful scrutiny can only confirm our very positive assertion that this school has earned the right to be classed as one of the leading law schools of the United States.

Present conditions are outlined in the following paragraphs:

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Regular First Year Students. All applicants for admission to the College of Law as candidates for the degree of LL.B. are required to present a certificate or diploma showing that they have successfully completed two or more years of study, other than professional law study, in a university or college of approved standing, and have received an honorable dismissal.

In September, 1925, the Cornell University College of Law will become a graduate school. Beginning at that time, candidates for admission will be required to present evidence of the receipt of a bachelor's degree from an approved college or university.

The arrangement will continue, however, by which students in the College of Arts and Sciences of Cornell University are allowed in their senior year to elect the first year of the law course and so obtain the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws in six years.

The increased requirements for admission will not, however, be applied in September, 1925, to students who registered in Cornell University prior to February, 1924.

Special Students. Applicants who are twenty-one years of age may, in the discretion of the Faculty, be admitted to the college as special students not candidates for a degree. This privilege will be granted only upon written application, specifying the age of the applicant and the amount and character of preparatory study, previous law study, and business experience which the applicant has had, accompanied, if practicable, with certificates from the preparatory school, law school, attorney, or business man under whose direction work has been done.

EQUIPMENT

Boardman Hall. All the work of the College of Law is conducted in Boardman Hall, a building erected exclusively for the use of the college. It is a three-story structure, 202 by 58 feet, built of Cleveland sandstone, with interior finish of oak. On the first floor are three lecture rooms and necessary cloak rooms. On the second floor are the offices of the several professors. On the third floor are the library rooms with accommodations for over sixty thousand volumes and three hundred readers.

Law Library. The library of the College of Law numbers more than 60,000 volumes and about 6,000 pamphlets, to which generous additions are made yearly. It includes the library of the late Nathaniel C. Moak of Albany, N. Y., which was presented in 1893 by Mrs. A. M. Boardman and Mrs. Ellen D. Williams, as a memorial to Judge Douglas Boardman, the first dean of the college. In reports of the Federal courts, and of the several American State jurisdictions, and in English, Scotch, Irish, Canadian, Australian, and English colonial reports, the law library is practically complete to date. The Earl J. Bennett collection of Statute Law, provided for by the gift of Earl J. Bennett, LL.B., 1901, embraces about 4,950 volumes of the session laws of all of the states to date, and is of unusual fullness and value. The library also possesses a similarly adequate collection of textbooks, complete sets of substantially all law periodicals in English, digests and annotations, Railroad and Public Service Commission Reports and Bar Association Reports of the various States. Several hundred volumes of the records and briefs of cases in the New York Court of Appeals and accounts of important foreign and domestic criminal trials are also to be found in the library.

General Library. The University Library containing over 650,000 volumes (exclusive of the number of volumes in the Law Library) is accessible to law students in the same way as to students in the other colleges.

THE SUMMER SESSION

The College of Law offers, during the summers, sessions of eleven weeks' duration, divided into two terms of five and one-half weeks each. The schedule of courses is so arranged that students may attend both terms or either term alone. New students may commence the study of law at the beginning of the summer session.

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He is in the class of 1926, a member of Phi Delta Theta, and played on the Freshmen Football team at Cornell in 1920. He has played on the Law Baseball team for the past two years.

Arthur John Keeffe. Has his home in Elmira, N. Y., and attended the Elmira Free Academy, and the Lake Placid High School. He was graduated with an A.B. degree from Cornell in 1924. His law class is that of 1926. He has been in the Law Honor Group for two years, and is Assistant Law Librarian. He is a member of Delta Sigma Rho, The Owls, President Cornell Debate Council, Secretary Barbarian Council, and was a member of the Cornell Debate Teams from 1920 to 1925. He is also an officer in the Reserve Officers Advanced Training Corps.

John W. Macdonald. Resides in Watervliet, N. Y., and was graduated from the Watervliet High School. He will receive an A.B. degree at Cornell in the class of 1925, and is in the Law class of 1926. He is a member of Delta Sigma Rho, Phi Beta Kappa, Janus, Cornell Debate Council (Secretary), Cornell Literary Board of Review, and is a holder of a New York State Tuition Scholarship, and New York State Cash Scholarship.

Arthur Rose Moore. Lives in Fredonia, N. Y., and was graduated from the Fredonia High School. He will receive an A.B. degree in 1925, and is a member of the 1926 Law class. He is a member of Zodiac, and was on the Varsity Football squad. He holds a New York State Tuition Scholarship and also a New York State Cash Scholarship.

George Byron Rice. Home is in Buffalo, N. Y., and was graduated from the Buffalo High School. He received his A.B. degree at Cornell in 1924, and is in the Law class of 1926. He has been in the Law School Honor Group for two years, and is on the Cornell Law Quarterly.

Addis V. Adams. Lives in Fairport, N. Y., and was graduated from the Fairport High School. He was enrolled in Colgate University from 1921 to 1924 when he entered the Cornell Law School in the class of 1927. He is a member of Acacia Fraternity, and while at Colgate he was active in the Musical Clubs.

Donald Prouse Blake. Lives in Chicago, Illinois, and was graduated from Morgan Park Military Academy. He attended the University of Illinois in 1921 and 1922, and Knox College in 1923-24. He is a member of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, and Columbian Literary Society. He was on the Freshmen Football, Basketball and Swimming Squads at Illinois, and the Freshmen Football team at Knox, and is active in Intra-mural Football, Basketball, Soccer, Baseball, Tennis, and Swimming. He was on the Illio Staff at Illinois in 1921. He is in the Law class of 1927.

Albert Thomas Bolles. Resides in Bellows Falls, Vermont, and graduated from the Bellows Falls High School. He attended Norwich University from 1922 to 1924, when he entered the Cornell Law School in the class of 1927. While at Norwich he was an active member in the Musical Clubs.

Ernest Walker Brackett. Home in Mohawk, N. Y., and was graduated from the Mohawk High School. He will receive his A.B. degree at Cornell in 1925, and is in the 1927 Law class. He is a member of Acacia Fraternity, Cornell Masonic Club, and Masonic Fraternity. He was a member of the Law college soccer team, and was on the Cornell Fencing squad.

Eugene Joseph Conroy. Lives in Oneida, N. Y., and was graduated from the Oneida High School. He will receive his A.B. degree at Cornell in 1925, and is a member of the Law class of 1927. He has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and Hermits. He is on the Cornell cross-country and track teams, and is a member of the Cross Country Club, and Cornell Track Club. He holds a New York State Tuition Scholarship and also a New York State Cash Scholarship.

Frank Bainbridge Campbell. Resides in Binghamton, N. Y., and was graduated from the Harrison, N. Y., High School. He entered Hobart College in 1913 and received his A.B. degree in 1917. He is in the Cornell Law school, class of 1927. He is a member of Sigma Phi, and the Elks. While at Hobart he was a member of the Druids, and was captain of the Football team in 1917.

Henry C. Hunken, III. Lives in Brooklyn, N. Y., and was graduated from Travis Preparatory School. He attended Colgate University from 1923 to 1925 when he entered the Cornell Law School in the class of 1927. He is a member of Phi Gamma Delta. While at Colgate he was a member of Mosque and Triangle, was on the Track Team, and on the Banter Board.

Edward William Ickes. Home is in Bloomingdale, Ohio, where he was graduated from the Bloomingdale High School. He will receive his A.B. degree at Cornell in 1925, and is a member of the 1927 Law class. He is a member of Hermits.

Sherman Moreland, Jr. Lives in Van Etten, N. Y., where he was graduated from the Van Etten High School. He attended Ohio Northern University and Harvard Law School, and is in the Cornell Law School class of 1926. He is a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Daniel Francis Flanagan. Resides in Tully, N. Y., where he was graduated from the Tully High School. He entered Cortland Normal School, where he was graduated with honors in 1913. He entered the Cornell Law College in July, 1924, in the class of 1927. While at Normal he was active in the Musical Clubs and was manager of Basketball. He is a Past Grand President of Adelpic Literary Fraternity and is a member of the American Legion.

Name	Class	State	Degree	Honors	Activities	Fraternity
Morgan	'25	N. Y.	A.B.	Phi Beta Kappa Order of Coif Scholarships Delta Sigma Rho	Debate, Athletics Quarterly	
Goodelle	'26	N. Y.			Athletics	Phi Delta Theta
Gundaker	'26	Pa.	A.B.	Law Honor Group Owls	Debate, R. O. T. C.	
Keefe	'26	N. Y.				
MacDonald	'26	N. Y.	A.B. '25	Phi Beta Kappa Janus Scholarships Delta Sigma Rho	Debate, Literary	
Moore	'26	N. Y.	A.B. '25	Scholarships	Athletics	Zodiac
Rice	'26	N. Y.	A.B.	Scholarships	Law Quarterly	Acacia
Adams	'27	N. Y.		Law Honor Group	Musical Clubs	Phi Delta Theta
Blake	'27	Ill.			Athletics, Literary Publications	
Bolles	'27	Vt.			Musical Clubs	Acacia
Brackett	'27	N. Y.	A.B. '25	Hermits	Athletics	
Conroy	'27	N. Y.	A.B. '25	Scholarships Phi Beta Kappa	Athletics	
Campbell	'27	N. Y.	A.B.	Druids	Athletics	Sigma Phi
Hunken	'27	N. Y.			Athletics, Publications	Phi Gamma Delta
Ickes	'27	Ohio	A.B. '25	Hermits		
Moreland	'27	N. Y.				Sigma Phi Epsilon
Flanagan	'27	N. Y.		Normal Honors	Musical Clubs, Athletics	
Total—17	'25—1	N. Y.—13	A.B. '25—5	Honor Holders—9	Active Men—13	Fraternity Members—8
Summary	'26—6	Vt.—1	A.B.—4	Phi Beta Kappa—3	Athletics—9	Independent Men—9
	'27—10	Ohio—1		Order of Coif—1	Quarterly—2	
		Pa.—1		Hermits—2	Publications—2	
		Ill.—1		Owls—1	Literary—3	
				Scholarships—4	Debate—3	
				Delta Sigma Rho—3	Musical Clubs—3	

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Ithaca, New York

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 5, 1925

SUPREME EXECUTIVE BOARD
PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY

GEORGE E. FINK, *Supreme Justice*,
203 Chamber of Commerce Bldg.,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

GENTLEMEN:

I understand that the Boardman Club of the Cornell University College of Law has petitioned for installation as a chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity.

I am very glad to say that this petition is approved by the University and we should be gratified to learn that the petition had been granted. The Boardman Club is an organization which has for its purpose the promotion of the interest of its members in legal studies and the serious discussion of legal principles and problems and has enjoyed the advice of members of the faculty in its development.

I am informed that the membership is representative of the student body of the Cornell College of Law and I trust the Club's petition may be granted.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) LIVINGSTON FARRAND

CORNELL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW
Ithaca, New York

GEORGE GLEASON BOGERT, *Dean*

May 5, 1925

SUPREME EXECUTIVE BOARD OF
PHI ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY,

GEORGE E. FINK, *Supreme Justice*,
203 Chamber of Commerce Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois.

GENTLEMEN:

I have been informed by Mr. Donald P. Blake, a first year student in this school, that the Boardman Club is applying to your organization for a charter. Mr. Blake states that there is a desire on the part of himself and his associates to have established here a chapter of a fraternity which will engage in serious legal discussion, stimulate scholarship, promote interest in the profession, and generally encourage the earnest study of law.

We cannot have too many such organizations in the school. There are two fraternities here now, Phi Delta Phi and Delta Theta Phi, but I am sure that there is room for another organization of the type described by Mr. Blake. Speaking for myself personally, I would welcome such a chapter.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEORGE G. BOGERT

CORNELL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW
Ithaca, New York

LYMAN P. WILSON, *Professor of Law*

April 29, 1925

TO THE SUPREME EXECUTIVE BOARD
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It gives me great pleasure to support the petition of "The Boardman Club" for a charter in Phi Alpha Delta. The petitioning group appears to me to be most satisfactory. The individuals comprising it have been chosen with my approval, and are persons who will maintain the standards of the fraternity, the school in which they are, and the profession into which they will ultimately be admitted. The standing of Cornell University and its College of Law are too well known to call for a statement indicating the desirability of this school as the location for a new chapter of the fraternity. Therefore, I most earnestly urge the granting of this petition.

Fraternally,

(Signed) LYMAN P. WILSON
(Marshall Chapter—1905)