

WAINWRIGHT MEMORIAL FUND

Annual Report 2000-2001

The Wainwright Fund Committee of the Faculty was composed of Professor H.P. Glenn, N. Kasirer, P.-G. Jobin (from January 2001), P. Leuprecht, Dean, G. Saumier (until the end of 2000), M. Cantin Cumyn, Chair and Me D. Boyer, Wainwright Librarian. It held 5 meetings to administer a budget of \$156, 240.16, arising out of the legacy made to McGill University by Arnold Wainwright to promote teaching and research in Civil Law at our Faculty B the Wainwright Fund capital value is presently of approximately \$1,420,212.13. The administration of the income of the Fund is governed by the guidelines established by the Committee in conformity with the terms of the will.*

During the academic year 2000-2001, the Committee approved the following research grants to colleagues in the Faculty:

Prof. P.-A. Crépeau: \$5,644.80 [Traité des obligations]
Prof. J.-F. Gaudreault-Desbiens: \$1,420.53 [Studies in A- Traditional Law]
Prof. H.P. Glenn: \$1,420.53 [various projects: legal theory, P.I.L.]
Prof. D. Jutras: \$2,435.16 [responsabilité médico-hospitalière]
Prof. D. Lametti: \$7,025 [Property Law Projects]
Prof. R. Macdonald: \$5,700 [Civil Law Treatise: Law of Secured Transactions]
Prof. W. Tetley: \$8,539 [Maritime Law Projects]

The Committee carried forward the standard commitments for scholarships, library collection, Wainwright Librarian salary, notably. Its contribution to the Legal Theory Workshops help to finance Professor Reinhard Zimmerman=s visit to the Faculty in the Autumn.

The Committee made some significant changes to the standard yearly commitments of Fund, to be effective in the financial year 2001-2002. On a proposal from Dean Leuprecht, it resolved to allocate \$25,000 to the funding of the Wainwright Chair. The financial contributions of the Fund to the Library for the acquisition of non-Quebec Civil Law works was increased to \$15,000. The Committee increased its contribution to the Library following the commendable efforts of the Wainwright Librarian, Me Daniel Boyer, towards a much enriched process of selection. The unexpended balance of previous years has been used and a reporting system is now in place which well meets the expectations of the Wainwright Committee. It should be noted that the reporting practice established by the Wainwright Committee is leading to the return of the former service of circulating to all Faculty members the general list of acquisitions by the Law Library. Finally, the monetary value of the Wainwright Essay Prize is increased to \$1,000.

* The Statement of Granting Policy, the criteria for attribution of Civil Law Research Grants and the Annual Reports of the Wainwright Memorial Fund Committee may be consulted at G:\Everyone\Wainwright.Policy.

The Wainwright Committee has invited the Honorable Claire L=Heureux-Dubé, of the Supreme Court of Canada, to deliver the 7th Wainwright Lecture. Its topic will be the institution of the Marriage and it is planned to take place in the Autumn of 2002. Madame L=Heureux-Dubé is to confirm her acceptance at the end of the summer.

Madeleine Cantin Cumyn
Chair