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As dean of the Duquesne University School of Law, Nick Cafardi has a string of achievements trailing behind him: a commodious new faculty wing; the John Murray, Jr. Pavilion; new faculty hires; the creation of the Henderson Professorship in Legal Ethics; the creation and strengthening of international programs in China, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, and South America; an elective curriculum; a renovated student lounge; newly structured classrooms with full technological capabilities; and the strong support of faculty scholarship.

But these matters all go to edifice and structural changes. At the deeper level, Dean Cafardi dealt fairly with the faculty, fought for faculty rights, and gave lift under our wings to try novel experiments. He was not shy in seeing that this law school proudly displayed its origins in the Roman Catholic and Christian tradition. As a lay canon lawyer, he gave to the Church many hours of hard labor. In the midst of all of these many time-consuming institutional burdens, he remained a generous father always available at any hour to his two sons, Chris and Nicco. And his wife, Kathy, remains not only his spouse, but still his best friend. Trips to Italy always renewed him to re-enter the fray between and among faculty and administration.

We have not lost Dean Cafardi as a colleague, for he will be occupying the Joseph Katarensic Chair in Legal Process and Procedure. So we say to him ciao and arrivederci.