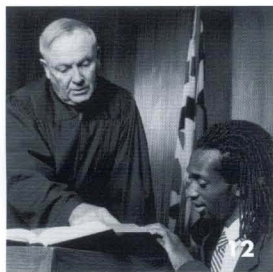


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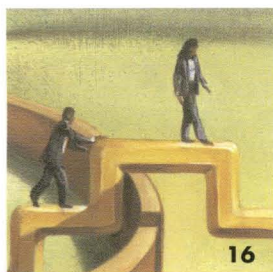
Growing up in the South in the 1960s when racial violence and prejudice were pervasive prepared Deputy District Attorney Patricia Gatling '82 for the tough turf of Brooklyn.

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John Henry Lewin Jr. '65 believes that pro bono service is an important part of being a lawyer. His work to improve the Baltimore City court system is proof that he practices what he preaches.



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