FACULTY ANNOUNCEMENT

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Launch of commemorative book on 50 years of legal education in Singapore by President S R Nathan

The Faculty of Law’s commemorative book Scales of Gold: 50 years of Legal Education at the Faculty of Law was officially launched by Singapore’s President, His Excellency S R Nathan, at the NUS Bukit Timah Campus on the afternoon of Tuesday, 18 September 2007.

A former student of the University of Malaya when it was located at the Bukit Timah Campus, President S R Nathan took a walk down memory lane as he was brought on a guided tour of the restored and refitted campus by NUS President Professor Shih Choon Fong, Ambassador-at-Large and Chairman of the NUS Faculty of Law Advisory Board Professor Tommy Koh, and Dean of NUS Faculty of Law Professor Tan Cheng Han.

Also at the book launch ceremony was Emeritus Professor Koh Kheng Lian who shared her memories of studying in the then University of Malaya Department of Law. She was one of the 42 full-time students who attended the inaugural law class at the Bukit Timah Campus in September 1957. Associate Professor Valentine Winslow also shared his experiences of teaching at the Bukit Timah Campus in the 1970s.

Written by Dr Kevin Tan, NUS law alumnus and former Faculty member, the commemorative book traces the Faculty of Law’s development from a department offering a law degree for the first time to the whole of Malaysia and Singapore, to the current NUS Faculty of Law that is today touted as Asia’s Global Law School.
President S R Nathan signs a copy of the commemorative book to officiate its launch.

President S R Nathan is presented a copy of the commemorative book by Prof Tan Cheng Han, Dean of NUS Faculty of Law.

**Media Coverage**

50 years of legal education in Singapore – captured in a book

It was a trip down memory lane for pioneer student Emeritus Professor Koh Kheng Lian, who spoke at the launch of a book commemorating 50 years of legal education in Singapore.

*19 September 2007, p9, Home Section, The Straits Times*
NUS to set up law programmes with overseas universities
Prof Tan Cheng Han shares about the Juris Doctor programme that will soon be offered to NUS law students.
19 September 2007, p5, Lianhe Zaobao

NUS law faculty marks 50 years of legal education in Singapore
The event saw President S R Nathan launch a commemorative book titled "Scales of Gold: 50 years of Legal Education at the NUS Faculty of Law"
19 September 2007, Channel NewsAsia