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In 1978 James N. Castleberry, Jr. became dean of St. Mary's University School of Law, and I began a close association with him in my capacity as Consultant on Legal Education to the American Bar Association. In the past twelve years my admiration and respect for Dean Castleberry has grown as I observed his role as law school administrator, teacher, scholar, site evaluator par excellence, and bar leader. Few contemporary law school deans have had the positive impact upon their law school as has Dean Castleberry.

During his tenure as dean, the magnificent new library facility was funded and constructed, and the former library building was renovated as the Raba law faculty building. Additional financial resources were committed to the law school, enabling the school to increase the number of its faculty and, hence, enlarge the number of its curricular offerings. The Innsbruck summer program was begun and a working relationship was developed with the Faculty of Law of the University of Innsbruck. Alumni relationships were strengthened and enhanced. The catalyst for all of these developments was, of course, the law school's dean—Jim Castleberry.

Dean Castleberry's energy and activity was not limited to St. Mary's Law School, or to the activities of the Texas Bar. He has been an active participant in the world of legal education, serving on committees of the American Bar Association and its Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar, the Association of American Law Schools, and the Law School Admission Council. He has chaired a number of law school site evaluation teams. To all of these activities Dean Castleberry brought the same energy, dedication and good spirit as he has devoted to his law school. American legal education thrives and improves because of persons like Jim Castleberry, and all members of the legal profession benefit.

I conclude on a personal note. I have enjoyed my association and my continuing friendship with the Castleberrys, Jim and Mary Ann. Old deans (in years of service) should not fade away, but should continue to contribute to the betterment of legal education and the pro-

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