

News in Brief

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UCLA Law Will Receive \$1.5 Million

The Shapiro Family Foundation has made a commitment to the UCLA School of Law of \$1.5 million. The money will go toward the Pete Kameron Endowed Chair in Law, which honors music industry legend and philanthropist Pete Kameron. Kameron, who has come to be known as a legend at the law school, is close friends with Ralph Shapiro, and together they have established the Pete Kameron Fund and the Pete Kameron Scholarship Fund at the school so far. The funds provide encouragement and support for students who are dedicated to music, entertainment, and media law.

Touro Law School to Be Purchased?

It's reported that Stony Brook University is allegedly interested in buying Touro Law School. Touro, located in Central Islip in New York, is a smaller law school but one that has been making a name for itself. The state senate's chairman of higher education is reportedly happy about the idea of the merger. Although there is no official word yet, talks are being held regarding the future of the law school, which was formerly known as the Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center. If the purchase happens, Touro will become the second law school in New York's state university system, the first one being the University at Buffalo Law School. No final decision will be made until all negotiations are worked out. The final vote will come from the school's president, Bernard Lander, and the college's board of trustees, according to officials.

UC Berkeley to Get New Law School Building

Thanks to \$56 million, UC Berkeley will be constructing a new law school building. Deemed the Law School Infill Project, the plan includes a "50,000-square-foot building in the courtyard adjacent to the existing building." There will also be a renovation of the current building of up to 10,000 square feet. The school has now made a list of potential bidders and will be receiving bids from firms until the latter part of February.