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On December 7, 2016, the Philadelphia-area legal community received the devastating news that our colleague and friend, Professor Edwin Miller of Peirce College, passed away suddenly on December 6, 2016.

For the Philadelphia-area legal community, Peirce College and Professor Ed Miller, J.D., went hand-in-hand. As the head of the College's Legal Studies programs for 16 years before his passing, his dedication to the industry and to helping his students reach their fullest potential was legendary.



Everyone who had the privilege of sitting in one of Ed Miller's classes knew that he was a good teacher. He knew his stuff, prepared well, and explained clearly. What made him great was that he truly cared about his students. He gave them his time and lots of it. He listened to them and let them know he cared about them. He learned their names. He let them know how they were doing with regular feedback. And when they did something good, he praised them - and he meant it; nothing made Ed happier than seeing his students do well.

And now, that spirit will live on in the form of the Professor Edwin B. Miller Memorial Scholarship. Retired Peirce professor Glenn Barnes, J.D.; Dr. Ruth Shaber, founder and president of the Tara Health Foundation; and current Peirce professors Cynthia Gentile, J.D. and Ivy Kempf, J.D. have pledged a 4-to-1 match, up to \$160,000, for every dollar given to the scholarship through December 31, 2017.

Miller, formerly of Haverford, Pennsylvania, was a practicing attorney before he transitioned to education, where he believed he could have a more substantial impact on the industry he loved. As an educator, he maintained strong connections with the Philadelphia legal community to ensure the program was always teaching the skills needed most by employers. Under his leadership, Peirce-trained paralegals became some of the most sought after job applicants in the region. Additionally, the Paralegal Studies bachelor's degree program became the Philadelphia region's first and only to be approved by the American Bar Association.

Peirce will award the scholarship annually to students majoring in Paralegal Studies, Legal Studies in Business or Criminal Justice Studies, who demonstrate a financial need and who embody the virtues of commitment, scholarship and compassion that were emblematic of Miller's work.

For more information, visit [www.peirce.edu/edwinmillerscholarship](http://www.peirce.edu/edwinmillerscholarship).