EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS

In the event of an earthquake your safety is the paramount concern of the Law School administration and faculty. We strongly urge that you take the following steps to prepare for an earthquake.

Please keep the following items in your car in the event that an earthquake strikes while you are en route to the school, or in the event that it becomes necessary for your to walk home from the Law School:

1. A comfortable pair of walking shoes and socks,
2. At least one quart of water,
3. A small amount of food with a long shelf life, such as granola bars,
4. A flashlight,
5. Batteries for the flashlight, preferably still in their original packaging,
6. A first aid kit,
7. A small amount of money, including several quarters for phone calls,
8. A list of work and home phone numbers of family members, including at least one out-of-state number which you and your in-state family members have agreed to use as a rendezvous number,
9. A detailed map of the area, and
10. A space blanket or light jacket.

These items are most conveniently stored in a backpack or carry bag. Other items which may be helpful include: a transistor radio and batteries, an umbrella or other rain gear, toilet paper and a blanket.

If an earthquake strikes while you are in the school:

1. Do not panic.
2. Get away from windows, mirrors, and bookshelves.
3. Get under a desk or table.
4. Cover your head.
5. Hold on to the desk or table.

When the shaking stops or slows:

1. Leave, as calmly as possible, by the nearest exit.
2. If you are in a crowd leave your book bag or backpack behind.
3. Watch for broken glass and live electrical wires.
4. Assemble on the front lawn of the school if it is safe to do so. Stay away from the building, overhead wires, and poles or trees which might fall.
5. If you decide to leave, be sure to tell a faculty or staff member who you are and that you are leaving.

If you are not at the Law School when an earthquake strikes but wish to know whether the school has been closed, call (714) 444-4141, extension 100 no sooner than two hours after the earthquake.