

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **Dr. Lewis J. Patsavos**

Professor of Canon Law

Director of Field Education

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### **Earned Degrees**

1974      Dr. Theol., University of Athens, Greece

1961      Lic. Theol., University of Athens, Greece

### **Certified Study**

1970-1971      Pontifical Oriental Institute, Rome

1962-1965      University of Munich, Germany

1961-1962      University of Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany

1955-1956      Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Theological School

## **Honors and Awards**

World Council of Churches Scholarship

Taylor Foundation Scholarship

Bavarian State Ministry of Education Award

Catholic Committee for Cultural Collaboration Award

ATS-Lilly Grant

Men of Achievement Listing (1981)

Who's Who in the East Listing (1982)

Holy Cross Alumni Association Citation

Cross of St. Nicholas

Archbishop Iakovos Faculty Award

Three Hierarchs Medal (in behalf of the Field Education Program)

## **Principle Fields of Interest**

Dr. Patsavos is Professor of Canon Law and Director of Field Education at Holy Cross School of Theology, where he began his fulltime teaching career in 1974. The dual responsibility of teaching Orthodox Canon Law and directing the School's Field Education Program has enabled him to experience the pastoral nature of the canons contextually through theological field education. As a result,

he has focused his attention upon the need to integrate theory and praxis towards a holistic approach to the study of theology. The importance of the Canonical Tradition of Orthodoxy reflected in his writings lies in the following: the interface of the canons and pastoral theology; the proper application of the canons as an authentic expression of Orthodox theology; and the engagement of clergy and laity in the practice of ministry appropriate to each. He serves as Consultant on Canonical Affairs to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese and to other Orthodox Jurisdictions in America. His commitment to ecumenical dialogue has allowed him to participate for over twenty-five years in the North American Orthodox – Roman Catholic Bilateral Consultation. His latest book, *A Noble Task: Entry into the Clergy in the First Five Centuries* (due to be published soon), embodies the theory of the canons and patristic texts about priesthood and the praxis of ministry.

### **Service Activities: Archdiocese and Church-at-Large**

Consultant on Canonical Affairs to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

Consultant on Canonical Affairs to the Carpatho-Russian Diocese of America

Participant, National and International Theological Conferences

Member, Orthodox-Roman Catholic Bilateral Consultation

Member, Archdiocesan Ad Hoc Committees and Commissions

Member, Archdiocese Council

### **Service Activities: Hellenic College – Holy Cross**

Member of the Faculty (since 1974)

Director of Field Education (since 1975)

Visiting Lecturer in Orthodox Theology – Boston College (1979-1984)

Occasional lecturer at universities here and abroad

Frequently invited speaker at parishes and events throughout the Archdiocese

### **Professional Memberships**

Society of Law of the Eastern Churches

Orthodox Theological Society of America

Canon Law Society of America

Association for Theological Field Education

BTI Directors of Field Education

### **Courses Taught**

Canon Law of the Orthodox Church

Issues of Intercommunion

Canonical Aspects of the Priesthood

Canonical Aspects of Marriage

Canonical Problems of the “Diaspora”

Readings in the Canons and Contemporary Canonical Literature

The Great and Holy Council

## **Books Authored**

*Entry into the Clergy during the First Five Centuries* (in Greek), Athens, 1973.

*Primacy and Conciliarity* (Studies in the Primacy of the See of Constantinople and the Synodal Structure of the Orthodox Church), Brookline, MA: Holy Cross Press, 1995.

*Spiritual Dimensions of the Holy Canons*, Brookline, MA: Holy Cross Press, 2003.

*A Noble Task: Entry into the Clergy in the First Five Centuries*, Brookline, MA: Holy Cross Press (due to be published soon).

## **Publications Edited**

*Third International Conference of Orthodox Schools of Theology: Icon and Kingdom*, **Greek Orthodox Theological Review**, Vol. 38 (1-4), 1993.

*Holy Cross Conference: The Council ‘In Trullo’*, **Greek Orthodox Theological Review**, Vol. 40 (1-2), 1995.

## Representative Articles

“Field Education in an Orthodox Theological Curriculum,” *Pastoral Theology and Ministry, Key Resources: Vol. IV*, Nashville and San Francisco: Association for Theological Field Education, 1983.

“The Canonical Tradition of the Orthodox Church,” *A Companion to the Greek Orthodox Church*, New York: Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, 1984.

“The Relationship between the Clergy and the People from a Canonical Perspective,” *Ortodoksia*, 2 (3), 1994.

“Lived Experience and Theoretical Differences in the Approach to Law and Discipline in the Eastern and Western Churches,” *Rightly Teaching the Word of Your Truth*, Brookline, MA: Holy Cross Press, 1995.

“The Interface of Pastoral Ministry and the Holy Canons,” *Kirchenrecht und Oekumene: Festgabe Panteleimon Rodopoulos*, **Kanon**, 15, 1999.

“The Harmonization of Canonical Order,” *Journal of Modern Hellenism*, 19-20, 2001-2002.

“Holy Tradition: A Fundamental Source of Canonical Tradition,” *Anniversary Volume for Professor Nicolae Dura*, Ovidius University of Constantza, Romania, 2006.

“The Spirit of Compassion in the Canonical Tradition of the Church,” *Violence and Christian Spirituality*, Geneva: WCC Publications, 2007.

“Parish Conflict and Parameters of Authority: A Case History,” *Anniversary Volume for Metropolitan Methodios of Boston*, Brookline, MA (submitted for publication, Jan. 2007).